

April 2018



Share your talent: Spoken Word Open Mic Night on April 20

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Join SUNY Broome's Creative Writing Club for a Spoken Word Open Mic Night at 7 p.m. Friday, April 20, in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre, located in the Student Center.

The cost is \$1 at the door. If you're interested in performing, please email ccreativewritingclub@gmail.com.



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PTA Club Touch of Texas Fundraiser on April 4

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Please come join the SUNY Broome PTA Club at Touch of Texas from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, 2018, for a little bit of “Boot-Scootin’ Fun.” There will be a basket raffle, a 50/50, line dancing instruction and tons of fun.



PTA Club to host Superhero 5K on April 21

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Please come out and support the SUNY Broome PTA Club as they hold their 3rd annual 5K race at the Vestal Coal House on April 21, 2018. Come dressed as your favorite superhero!

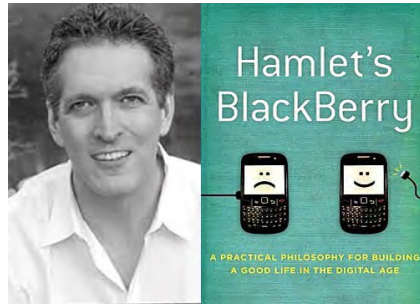
The race start time is 10 a.m. Please see flyer attached. There is a \$3 service charge to register on line, so you are welcome to fill out the attached registration form and submit it to Julianne Klepfer Decker 128 MS #40 with your registration fee.

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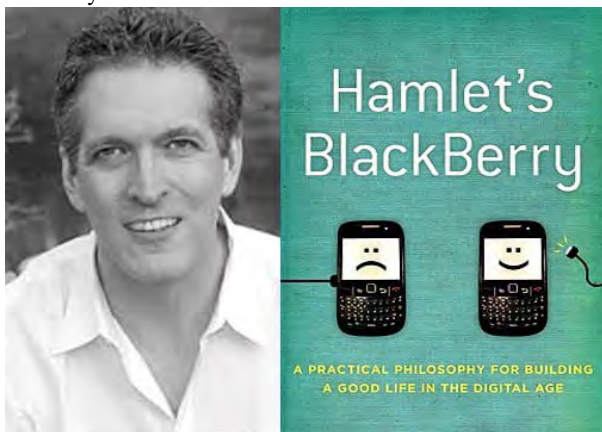
April 19 event: Keeping Sane in an Over-Connected World

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Please join us from 12 to 1:15 p.m. Thursday, April 19, in Titchener Hall Room 102 for a video-conference discussion with nationally-known author, journalist and technologist William Powers. He will be discussing his *New York Times* bestselling book *Hamlet's BlackBerry: A Practical Philosophy for Building a Good Life in the Digital Age*. The discussion will be moderated by Communications Department Instructor Nick Bongiorno.

Powers is a former journalist for *The Washington Post* and was initially a researcher for Bob Woodward in the investigative unit. His writing on media-related issues has appeared in *The Atlantic*, *The New York Times* and many other publications. He is currently a researcher at MIT Media Lab's Laboratory for Social Machines.



Exhibition Series: Faces of the Underground Railroad at the Gallery

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SUNY Broome Associate Professor of Visual Communications Patricia Evans will present a new exhibit, *Faces: The Underground Railroad*, April 3 through 30 at the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, located on the first floor of the Cecil C. Tyrrell Library on campus.

The gallery is open from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Professor Evans will be showcasing a series of classical realist larger than life-size portrait drawings created by her beginning drawing students, along with historical photos and life stories. Notable slaves, abolitionists, writers, conductors and stationmasters are featured in the exhibition. Portraits are rendered in charcoal, pencil, and mixed media.

Evans offered her ART 115: Beginning Drawing students the opportunity to research the history of iconic individuals associated with the Underground Railroad, including birth and death records and individual contributions toward the freedom of slaves, culminating with profound lessons on social and cultural history.

Each semester, Evans' students focus on a marginalized and overlooked group of people, drawing attention to the sacrifice and struggle that it takes to make a difference. Her students enthusiastically take on the challenge of researching individual roles then begin the process of creating a likeness based on archival photographs.



Your Voice Matters for students on April 19

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Join us for the student edition of Your Voice Matters from 11 a.m. to noon April 19 in AT 200.

This is a forum for students to express concerns and make suggestions about major issues that affect our campus. There will be the option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the Shared Governance website prior to the forum. Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.



The Monday Poem: 'A New Poet' by Linda Pastan

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The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Jim Gormley of the English Department. Enjoy!

A New Poet

Finding a new poet
is like finding a new wildflower
out in the woods. You don't see

its name in the flower books, and
nobody you tell believes
in its odd color or the way

its leaves grow in splayed rows
down the whole length of the page. In fact
the very page smells of spilled

red wine and the mustiness of the sea
on a foggy day - the odor of truth
and of lying.

And the words are so familiar,
so strangely new, words
you almost wrote yourself, if only

in your dreams there had been a pencil
or a pen or even a paintbrush,
if only there had been a flower.

—Linda Pastan

Poet Linda Pastan was raised in New York City but has lived for most of her life in Potomac, Maryland, a suburb of Washington, DC. In her senior year at Radcliffe College, Pastan won the *Mademoiselle* poetry prize (Sylvia Plath was the runner-up). Immediately following graduation, however, she decided to give up writing poetry in order to concentrate on raising her family. After ten years at home, her husband urged her to return to poetry. Since the early 1970s, Pastan has produced quiet lyrics that focus on themes like marriage, parenting, and grief. She is interested in the anxieties that exist under the surface of everyday life.



Celebrate the planet: Earth Fest to be held April 29

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Celebrate the richness and beauty of our planet at Earth Fest, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 29, in SUNY Broome's Baldwin Gym, located in the Student Center. Admission is \$1 or a donation to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse.

Earth Day Southern Tier is proud to be again partnering with SUNY Broome, the Binghamton Zoo at Ross Park, and the Roberson Museum and Science Center. There will be vendors, music, food, magic shows, hands-on children's activities, crafts, demonstrations and give-a-ways. The event also features a River Trails Bike Cruise organized by the Southern Tier Bike Club.

The SUNY Broome Ecology Club will be operating a book exchange and clothing recycling drop-off program during the event. Fuel-efficient cars will also be on display.



Learn about RN to BSN programs at a April 20 info session

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Join Excelsior College and SUNY Empire College representatives for a RN to BSN Information Session from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, in Decker Health Sciences Building Room 201 on the SUNY Broome campus.

Learn about the expectations of upper level nursing courses, clinical requirements and how nurses working full-time fit these paths into their lives.

RSVP at <http://bit.ly/BPPnursing18> to be entered into raffles. RSVPs prior to April 6 will be given extra tickets!

You must attend the event to win.

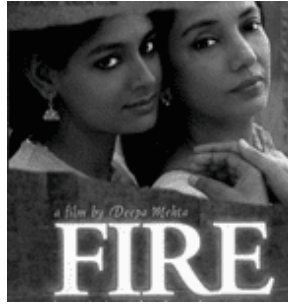
For more information, contact Terri Fadden at faddenta@sunybroome.edu.

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April 11 film screening: 'Fire'

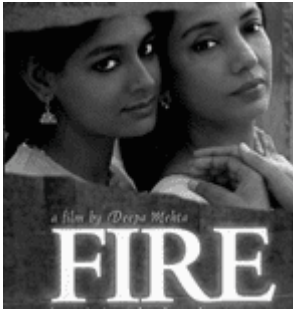
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Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 1996 Indian Film "Fire," directed by Deepa Mehta.

"Fire" portrays a forbidden love between two women in India. The film was highly controversial at the time of its release as it touches on homosexuality and the freedom of women to act on their desires.

Part of PTK's International Film Series, the film starts at 7 p.m. April 11 in TH 101.



Life is Why: Sign up today for the Southern Tier Heart Walk on April 8

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SUNY Broome welcomes the American Heart Association's Southern Tier Heart Walk from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8, 2018!

The Southern Tier Heart Walk is a fundraiser for the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association.

We want people to experience more of life's precious moments. Life is why, each year, more than one million walkers participate in Heart Walk events around the country – each raising funds to save lives from this country's #1 and #5 killers: heart disease & stroke.

The event begins at SUNY Broome's Ice Center at 10 a.m. with heart-healthy exhibits, food, music and more. The opening ceremony kicks off at 11:30 a.m., followed by the walk. Refreshments will be available at 12:30 p.m., followed by a closing ceremony at 1 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to participate: corporations, businesses, schools, clubs, teams, individuals, groups, families and friends! Start your fundraising team today.

2018 Bing Hw Fact Sheet Final (PDF)

Visit www.southerntierheartwalk.org for more information. Email HeartWalkVolunteer@gmail.com to sign up to volunteer.



Support our soldiers — and a former Hornet

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Logan McDonald



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The SUNY Broome men's lacrosse team is collecting goods that will be in a care package for our overseas troops serving in the U.S. Army 770th Engineers. This includes a former Hornet, Specialist Logan McDonald, who is currently stationed in Afghanistan.

The soldiers have requested food, snacks and powdered drinks. Let's give them a little taste of home!

What to Send Someone Who Is Deployed

Please contact Coach Kyle Welsh with any questions at kylewelsh2782@yahoo.com. The cutoff date for all goods is Saturday, April 14. All items can be dropped off in the Athletic Office in their original packaging.



Donate today: Children's Fair Basket Raffle to support BC Center

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This year, as we celebrate the 38th annual Children's Fair, the Teacher Education/Early Childhood Department and BECA Club is sponsoring a basket raffle to raise money for the BC Center!

Donations of baskets (or items for baskets) from the campus community are greatly appreciated and will be collected by BECA volunteers on April 9 and 10.

The campus community will be able to purchase tickets from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 12 in Titchener Hall and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 13 in the Student Center. The drawing will be held at our Children's Fair on April 14!

The BC Center is a non-profit center whose mission is to provide SUNY Broome student-parents with high quality, low cost child-care. Questions? Please contact Lisa Strahley at strahleyla@sunybroome.edu or ext. 5029.



On-campus construction activities for the week of April 2

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- The fire hydrants in front of the Wales Building and on the south side of the new Calice Center will be replaced this week.
- New LED lighting will be installed in the fitness/cardio room, the weight room and the dance studio in the Student Center.
- Concrete demolition will restart between the Calice Center and the AT Building as well as between the Calice Center and the Business Building.
- Installation of electrical fixtures continues on the first and second floor of Calice.
- The exterior south side brick wall of Calice has been completed. Work is beginning on the east side wall.
- Bathroom tile work and painting continues on the first floor.
- Installation of roofing insulation and vapor barrier continues in the Connector area.
- The permanent power “switchover” for the new Calice Center is scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, and should be completed by 7 a.m. Thursday, April 5.
- First-floor floor leveling prep work continues.
- The elevator shaft has “broken” through the second floor ceiling to the roof of Calice.

As always, if anyone has any questions, please contact David Ligeikis at 607 765-9710.



Water Pressure Testing on April 3

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Please be advised that early Tuesday morning April 3, 2018, a required water pressure flow test will be conducted that may cause some slight discoloration to the water in certain buildings on campus (more specifically the Wales, Natural Science Center, AT, Library and Public Safety buildings). The duration of the discoloration should be very short-term. If anyone has any questions, please contact David Ligeikis at (607) 765-9710.



Can you keep up? Hornets Run the Hill on April 13

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Come see if you can keep up with law enforcement recruits and take your chance completing the collaborative Confidence Course on Friday, April 13, during Hornets Run the Hill!

The race begins promptly at 2:15 p.m. next to the SUNY Broome basketball courts on Front Street and ends at the Confidence Course across from the Broome County Sheriff's Office.

Participants will run south on Lt. Van Winkle Drive and complete the obstacle course on the other end. The cost to participate is \$5; please bring exact change. Registration runs from 1:30 to 2 p.m., and participants are encouraged to pre-register online here.

In addition to law enforcement recruits, the race is open to all current SUNY Broome students, faculty and staff.

This event is sponsored by the Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Student Association in collaboration with the Broome County Sheriff Regional Law Enforcement Academy, with special thanks to the Hospitality Programs Club and

Public Safety for assisting with the event.

Click here for more information.



Free, fast and confidential screenings for depression on April 11 and 12

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Are you feeling anxious, alone, stressed or just not yourself? SUNY Broome Counseling Services, located in Student Services Building suite 210, will be offering free, fast and confidential Depression Screenings on campus April 11 and 12.

Free one-on-one confidential screenings with a trained mental health professional will be available for depression and other conditions. Feedback provided after a screening is informational, not diagnostic. Based on screening results, the mental health professional may recommend a more comprehensive evaluation.

Screening locations are:

- April 11: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in Student Services Room 210
- April 12: 2 – 4:30 p.m. in the Student Village classroom.

Confidential Counseling services are available to students at no cost. Contact (607) 778-5210 or visit SS-210 to schedule an appointment or to learn more.



Global Health in Ireland: All is Well In Donegal

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SUNY Broome students in Donegal for the Global Health in Ireland course.

Follow the students in SUNY Broome's Global Health In Ireland course by following their Facebook page, Global Health in Ireland. They are having a "grand" time!



SUNY Broome students are learning about global health systems in Ireland.



How you know you're in Ireland: signs in Gaelic!



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Please be mindful of taped-off areas

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Grading work is currently taking place at the Calice Center site. The passageway between Wales and Calice is currently taped off due to this work and muddy runoff resulting from the ongoing rain. Please be mindful as you walk through campus.



Power to be installed in the Calice Center: Scheduled outages planned April 4-5

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The permanent power transition for the new Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, 2018, and should be completed by 7 a.m. Thursday, April 5, 2018. During this 12-hour time frame, the following campus interruptions will take place:

- There will be no electrical power or telephone service in the Business Building and the building will be closed to all personnel except for construction personnel.
- Between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. April 4, both the Wales Building and the Public Safety Building will experience an approximately half-hour time frame without power.
- During the early morning hours on April 5, both the Wales Building and the Public Safety Building will experience an approximately half-hour time frame without power.
- During this 12-hour period, CAMPUS WIDE (except for the Student Village), there WILL NOT be any computer or Internet services available, including voicemail, computer log-on (including all computer labs), Banner access, WiFi, Z: drives, O: drives, network printers and VoIP telephones. Off-campus users can access Open SUNY/Blackboard online distance education courses at broome.open.suny.edu, the Banner self service system at <https://banner.sunybroome.edu>, and Google email at www.gmail.com.
- In the case of an emergency and you cannot get a telephone dial tone, please contact 911 from your cell phone.
- All employees are asked to turn off their computers by 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, 2018. Those employees who will be on vacation during the break are asked to shut down their computers when they leave on Friday, March 30, 2018 (or before).

We thank everyone for their cooperation as we undergo this permanent power transition, which is a significant project milestone. If you have any general questions, please do not hesitate to contact David Ligeikis at (607) 765-9710. For all IT related questions, please contact John Petkash at (607) 761-2483.



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Convocation 2018 will focus on important and relevant themes such as how cognitive illusions impact our daily lives. As a creator of one of the most famous experiments in psychology, Chabris will discuss how our intuitions lead us astray, affecting our decisions in business, the criminal justice field, the health sciences and even how we drive.

We hope that Chabris will inspire students and faculty alike to consider how illusions about attention, memory, confidence, knowledge, cause and potential can cost us dearly, and how to manage these illusions. Please note that **Tuesday April 17, 2018 is Convocation Day, on which no day or evening classes will be held.**

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So far, the college's team has raised **\$5,333 of our \$5,850 goal**. There is still time to reach that goal, so make sure you and your friends and family sign up and/or donate!

We also have **SUNY Broome Heart Walk T-shirts** for sale in the Teaching Resource Center (Library 101) **for \$10**.

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Calice Center permanent power switch-over update

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The permanent power “switchover” for the new Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center was completed last night as scheduled. IT staff has been rebooting computers across campus since early this morning and our Facilities staff is ensuring that all mechanicals (heating, ventilation, etc.) are operating properly. Thank you to everyone for your cooperation and patience with this significant project milestone.

If you are having any issues, please contact either the IT Department or the Facilities Department.



Focus on Financial Aid: Students may be eligible for third disbursement of Pell

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The Department of Education has announced that students that are eligible for Pell Grant may be able to receive a third disbursement of the Pell Grant. Beginning with the 2017-2018 academic year, an eligible student may now receive full Federal Pell Grant for summer 2018 even if they received a full Federal Pell Grant during the fall and spring semesters.

To be eligible for additional Pell Grant funds:

- Student must have completed their 2017-18 FAFSA and must be otherwise eligible to receive Pell Grant funds
- Student must be enrolled at least half-time (6 credit hours) during the summer term
- Student must be maintaining satisfactory academic progress

Please contact Financial Aid at 607-778-5028 and choose option 8 or email finaid@sunybroome.edu for additional information.



In the Community: Provider training for serving transgender/gender non-conforming individuals

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The Pride and Joy Families/ Lesbian and Gay Family Building Project at Binghamton University is offering their 2018 Provider Training — Trans/Gender Non-Conforming Experience Across the Lifespan — May 10 and 11 at BU’s Innovative Technologies Center.

The keynote speaker will be Cecilia Gentili, who will discuss “Moving Beyond Access: A New Vision for Healthcare” on May 10.

[Click here to register and to learn more.](#)



April 12 Common Hour: Point-Counterpoint

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Join Scott Corley and Carla Michalak, faculty panelists with divergent points of view, at 11 a.m. April 12 in T-102 for a discussion of the most important current events of the day.



38th annual SUNY Broome Children's Fair to be held April 14

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Join us from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 14, for the 38th annual SUNY Broome Children's Fair in the college's Student Center.

The event is free, although donations for the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse will be accepted. Sponsors include the SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Department, BAE Systems, the Binghamton Chapter of the NYAEYC, the BECA (Broome Educators of Children Association) Student Club and the Literacy Legacy Project (LLP).

April is recognized as the "Month of the Young Child" by the National Association of the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). This year's Children's Fair theme, "Things that Go: Bus Extravaganza," is in conjunction with the LLP's One Book initiative Preschool Program sponsored by BAE Systems. Prior to the Children's Fair, all 4-year-old children enrolled in a preschool program across the county will receive a copy of the book *The Bus for Us* by Suzanne Bloom.

Families are invited to join in celebrating children by enjoying an interactive, fun-filled family day with hands-on activities created by SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Education students. Big trucks, police cars, snowplows, fire trucks and Chenango Gymnastics will be on hand for the children to interact with as well. The event also includes child safety seat inspections, the Child-Safe Program and other community exhibits that support our theme and activities, and touchable transportation described in *The Bus for Us*.

Nutritious and very low-cost lunches and snacks will also be available for your convenience! As well, there will be a basket raffle whose proceeds will support the BC Center, the on-campus daycare center.

For more information about this event, please contact Lisa Strahley, Teacher Education/Early Childhood chairwoman, at 607-778-5029 or via email at strahleyla@sunybroome.edu.

Childrens Fair 2018 Flyer (PDF)



Senior student: Learning a new culture and graduating college at age 74

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Featured News



Hung Dang Dao



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Decades ago, Hung Dang Dao spent three years in law school – but the Vietnam War interrupted his educational and professional aspirations, and so much more.

The war and its aftermath made life incredibly difficult in south Vietnam, and Dao spent three years in a hard labor camp. In 2007, he sought asylum in the United States—and immediately embarked upon a new journey: to learn the language and culture of his new country.

“I wanted to stay in my country to do something, but living there is very hard,” he said of his decision to leave Vietnam. “I was experiencing a very hard situation for a very long time.”

He arrived in April, and by July began taking English as a Second Language courses. By 2009, he had enough proficiency with the language to begin taking classes at SUNY Broome.

Pursuing a wide range of classes through the years, he has captured the attention of his professors for his dedication and commitment to learning.

He will graduate this May at the age of 74, with an Associate’s degree in Liberal Arts – Individual Studies and a grade point average of over 3.0 – no small feat for an adult immigrant who needed to learn a new language from scratch.

“When I came here, I wanted to learn everything about the American culture – what they think, what they do,” he said. “The most important thing is we must learn the other people’s language first.”

Mastering English takes a good deal of work, but Dao is inspired to work hard. He understands about 70 to 80 percent of what people say, he said, but he hopes to improve.

He even attempted to learn more languages through Spanish and French classes. He particularly enjoys hearing Spanish-speakers talk in their native tongue, although he found the classes to be highly challenging as he progressed. The same could be said for his photography course, although his professor is very supportive.

“‘You can do it,’ the professor says,” he related.

He learned to tell his own life-story through Professor Michael Gee’s Autobiography class, and also volunteers in the Food for Thought pantry as part of a Community Internship course under Professor Doug Garnar. Every week, Dao helps assemble bags of food for students in need.

Even though he is graduating, Hung Dang Dao plans to continue his education with additional classes, furthering his mastery of English and his knowledge of American culture – and proving that you’re never too old to tackle something new.

“I want to learn,” he said. “I hope someday I will write out what I think.”



Giving Back: Volunteer work broadens Karissa's career horizon

April 5, 2018
Featured News



Karissa Newkirk



Karissa Newkirk

Karissa Newkirk's father worked as a police officer and corrections officer, so it was natural that she would gravitate to law enforcement as a career path. A volunteer opportunity, however, opened the Criminal Justice major's eyes up to a different option: teaching.

"You're really helping people and that's something I like to do," she said of both paths. "I really like working with young people, too."

After she graduates from SUNY Broome in May, Newkirk plans to transfer to Binghamton University and major in Human Development. As she pursues her next degree, she will sort out her career plans. Perhaps she will even someday combine them, as Criminal Justice Professor Kerry Weber has done, she acknowledged.

Before attending SUNY Broome, Newkirk attended a different community college closer to home — SUNY Sullivan — but didn't enjoy the experience and failed to establish a rapport with her professors. Since her boyfriend attends nearby Binghamton University, she decided to give SUNY Broome a try and was glad she

did.

"My experience has been uplifting," said Newkirk, who forged connections with both Weber and Criminal Justice Professor Leigh Morrissey, who alerted her to the many opportunities open to Broome students.

It was Professor Morrissey who alerted her to an intriguing volunteer opportunity at OASIS, an afterschool program for teens in Endicott founded by SUNY Broome alumna Holly Welfel. Established in 2006, the program provides a range of services to disadvantaged youth, from nutritional snacks, tutoring and homework help to fun activities.

Karissa volunteers daily at OASIS, often tutoring teens who need a little extra help and — when the work is done — playing games and socializing. She recommends volunteering for OASIS to fellow Hornets who want to give back and make a difference in a youngster's life.

"I was having a rough patch in my life and I wanted to do something," she said of her decision to volunteer. "It makes me so happy to go there."

Newkirk also lends a hand on campus as well as a tutor to her fellow students. She conducted her first on-campus tutoring session the other day and felt it went well, she said. Overall, SUNY Broome has brought her more than academic success; it also helped her develop a love of service, teaching and giving back.

"I feel like there are a lot of opportunities. I really like it here," Newkirk said.



Need food? Fresh Fridays comes to campus on April 13

April 5, 2018
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Food insecurity is a real issue on campus. We can help! Visit the Fresh Fridays Food Truck in the Student Village Parking Lot on April 13 from 10 to 11 a.m. Food is provided by the Southern Tier Food Bank and is free!



Spring Fling is almost here! Clubs, schedule your tables.

April 5, 2018

Buzz



This year's Spring Fling will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 26 on the west side of the Student Services Building and will feature a Rodeo theme!

This is an excellent opportunity for clubs and organizations on campus to get out into the community and reach the student population. A table and two chairs will be provided to registered organizations who wish to table at this event.

More information on tabling, and the sign-up sheet, can be found by [clicking here](#). We look forward to seeing you there!



Lunchtime laugh: See comedian Lucas Bohn on campus April 12

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Need a laugh? Come see Lucas Bohn perform live here at SUNY Broome from 11 a.m. to noon April 12 in Decker 201.

Door prize: Binghamton Devils tickets to the first 10 attendees! Plus, be entered into a raffle for a Roku Stick!



Cyber Warrior: Adjua strives to make the digital world a safer place

April 6, 2018
Featured News



Adjua Lake



Adjua Lake

attend for all four years. So she opted for SUNY Broome, which is a transfer partner with Albany for the Bachelor's of Science in Digital Forensics.

She quickly came to love SUNY Broome – although she's not a fan of Upstate winters, being from the Caribbean. (In case you're wondering, her family back home is doing fine and has largely recovered from the damage their homes sustained in the 2017 hurricanes.)

"SUNY Broome is an awesome school for students who want to do a quick two years and go into the workforce and do something they love," she explained.

Partnership programs, such as the one she is participating in, give students even more options for seamless transfer. Small class sizes and the opportunity to forge personal connections with professors are assets as well.

"Broome is small and to me, sometimes small is good. Being on a small campus, teachers know you by your name and not a number, and that is what all students look for while attending class," she said.

At home in the Student Village

Adjua Lake also found a home at SUNY Broome in another way: as a resident and now a Resident Assistant, or RA, in the Student Village.

During her first year as a resident student, the RAs were very welcoming. One became a friend and convinced her to apply. She joined the Residential Life staff in October, and has come to feel part of "one big happy family."

It also gave Lake the opportunity to give back – something she missed from her high school days, when she stayed active with community service, including teaching the elderly how to navigate computers. Not only does she enjoy her role, she plans to apply to become an RA at her transfer school.

"It's not only a job, it's a way to help students," she explained.

Cybersecurity: You need it!

After she earns a bachelor's degree, Adjua plans to pursue a master's and ultimately a career with a government agency such as the FBI, CIA, Homeland Security or the Department of Defense fighting cyber crime.

A likely but somewhat unexpected minor: photography or graphic design. She has picked up the former as a hobby, shooting family and school events, and came to enjoy graphic design by way of her involvement in computers.

"I can't draw for my life, but I can do so many things with the computer," she said.

As someone pursuing a career in the field, she advises her fellow digital citizens to take their own cybersecurity seriously. Recognize that smartphones can be hacked, especially if you use public, unsecured wifi. Use only secure networks and make sure that you never leave apps or webpages with sensitive information – such as bank accounts – open when you're done using them.

If you have wifi at home, make sure it's password-protected. That's not foolproof, but it does provide some measure of security. And you may want to consider adopting Adjua's own practice: "Whenever I leave my house, I always turn off my wifi," she said.

Above all, stay alert to new technologies – and not just the opportunities they represent but their risks as well.

"Every development, every new technology out there – you've got to be aware," she said.

Share your talent: Spoken Word Open Mic Night on April 20

April 8, 2018
Buzz



Join SUNY Broome's Creative Writing Club for a Spoken Word Open Mic Night at 7 p.m. Friday, April 20, in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre, located in the Student Center.

The cost is \$1 at the door. If you're interested in performing, please email ccreativewritingclub@gmail.com.



Mark your calendar: Convocation Day 2018 is on April 17

April 8, 2018
Buzz



Christopher Chabris

For a quick link to the schedule of Convocation Day events, including the keynote address and Q & A session led by Dr. Chabris, musical performances, a student-prepared cash lunch, the Undergraduate Research Symposium poster session, afternoon workshops, and documentary film screening, go to: <http://www3.sunybroome.edu/convocation/schedule-of-activities/>



Christopher Chabris

evening classes will be held.

Convocation 2018 will focus on important and relevant themes such as the role attention plays in police-civilian encounters, the problems with eye-witness testimony and memory, the ways in which talented medical experts and pilots may miss what is right in front of them and how our belief in the power of confidence shapes our selection of leaders.

More Details Regarding *The Invisible Gorilla*:

Reading this book will make you *less* sure of yourself-and that's a good thing. In *The Invisible Gorilla*, we use a wide assortment of stories and counter intuitive scientific findings to reveal an important truth: Our minds don't work the way we think they do. We think we see ourselves and the world as they really are, but we're actually missing a whole lot.

We combine the work of other researchers with our own findings on attention, perception, memory, and reasoning to reveal how faulty intuitions often get us into trouble. In the process, we explain:

- Why a company would spend billions to launch a product that its own analysts know will fail
- How a police officer could run right past a brutal assault without seeing it
- Why award-winning movies are full of editing mistakes
- What criminals have in common with chess masters
- Why measles and other childhood diseases are making a comeback
- Why money managers could learn a lot from weather forecasters

Again and again, we think we experience and understand the world as it is, but our thoughts are beset by everyday illusions. We write traffic laws and build criminal cases on the assumption that people will notice when something unusual happens right in front of them. We're sure we know where we were on 9/11, falsely believing that vivid memories are seared into our mind with perfect fidelity. And as a society, we spend billions on devices to train our brains because we're continually tempted by the lure of quick fixes and effortless self-improvement.

The Invisible Gorilla reveals the numerous ways that our intuitions can deceive us, but it's more than a catalog of human failings. In the book, we also explain why people succumb to these everyday illusions and what we can do to inoculate ourselves against their effects. In short, we try to give you a sort of "x-ray vision" into your own minds, with the ultimate goal of helping you notice the invisible gorillas in your own life.

<http://www.theinvisiblegorilla.com/overview.html>



Who Are the Current Members of SUNY Broome's Convocation Committee?

SUNY Broome's Convocation Committee is a cross-divisional effort with student representation under the aegis of the Liberal Arts Division,
Dr. Michael Kinney, Dean and Associate Vice-President.

Professor Irene Byrnes (Chair)

Professor Carla Michalak, Liberal Arts Division

Professor Anne Haner-Uncapher, Health Sciences Division

Dr. Victor Larmoureux, Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics Division

Associate Librarian Amanda Hollister, Library

Professor Gian Roma, Business and Professional Studies Division

Dr. Virginia Shirley, Liberal Arts Division

Orion Barber, Student Assembly



PTA Club to host Superhero 5K on April 21

April 8, 2018
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Please come out and support the SUNY Broome PTA Club as they hold their 3rd annual 5K race at the Vestal Coal House on April 21, 2018. Come dressed as your favorite superhero!

The race start time is 10 a.m. Please see flyer attached. There is a \$3 service charge to register on line, so you are welcome to fill out the attached registration form and submit it to Julianne Klepfer Decker 128 MS #40 with your registration fee.

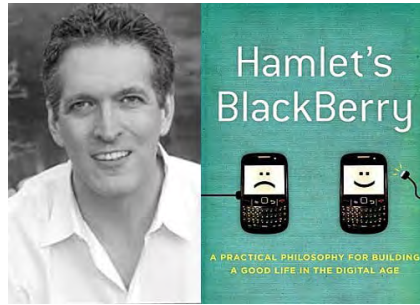
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April 19 event: Keeping Sane in an Over-Connected World

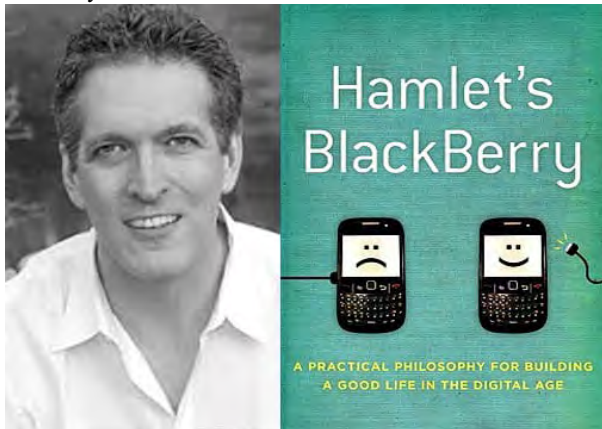
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Please join us from 12 to 1:15 p.m. Thursday, April 19, in Titchener Hall Room 102 for a video-conference discussion with nationally-known author, journalist and technologist William Powers. He will be discussing his *New York Times* bestselling book *Hamlet's BlackBerry: A Practical Philosophy for Building a Good Life in the Digital Age*. The discussion will be moderated by Communications Department Instructor Nick Bongiorno.

Powers is a former journalist for *The Washington Post* and was initially a researcher for Bob Woodward in the investigative unit. His writing on media-related issues has appeared in *The Atlantic*, *The New York Times* and many other publications. He is currently a researcher at MIT Media Lab's Laboratory for Social Machines.



Donate today: Children's Fair Basket Raffle to support BC Center

April 8, 2018
Buzz



This year, as we celebrate the 38th annual Children's Fair, the Teacher Education/Early Childhood Department and BECA Club is sponsoring a basket raffle to raise money for the BC Center!

Donations of baskets (or items for baskets) from the campus community are greatly appreciated and will be collected by BECA volunteers on April 9 and 10.

The campus community will be able to purchase tickets from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 12 in Titchener Hall and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 13 in the Student Center. The drawing will be held at our Children's Fair on April 14!

The BC Center is a non-profit center whose mission is to provide SUNY Broome student-parents with high quality, low cost child-care. Questions? Please contact Lisa Strahley at strahleyla@sunybroome.edu or ext. 5029.



Your Voice Matters for students on April 19

April 8, 2018

Buzz

Join us for the student edition of Your Voice Matters from 11 a.m. to noon April 19 in AT 200.

This is a forum for students to express concerns and make suggestions about major issues that affect our campus. There will be the option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the Shared Governance website prior to the forum. Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.



Save the Date: SUNY Broome MLK Jr. Job Fair will be held April 26

April 8, 2018
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In partnership with the New York State Department of Labor, the 2018 SUNY Broome MLK Jr. Job Fair will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 26, 2018, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center.

The event is free for job seekers. All employers on hand will have job opportunities available and are eager to meet qualified candidates.

All students are highly encouraged to attend this event — both first-year students and those about to graduate. Visit the Applied Learning and Career Center to develop your resume and practice your elevator speech before the Job Fair. Schedule an appointment by visiting www.sunybroome.edu/careercenter.



The Monday Poem: 'My Father's Hats' by Mark Irwin

April 8, 2018
Buzz

The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Jim Gormley of the English Department. Enjoy!

My Father's Hats

Sunday mornings I would reach
high into his dark closet while standing
on a chair and tiptoeing reach
higher, touching, sometimes fumbling
the soft crowns and imagine
I was in a forest, wind hymning
through pines, where the musky scent
of rain clinging to damp earth was
his scent I loved, lingering on
bands, leather, and on the inner silk
crowns where I would smell his
hair and almost think I was being
held, or climbing a tree, touching
the yellow fruit, leaves whose scent
was that of clove in the godsome
air, as now, thinking of his fabulous
sleep, I stand on this canyon floor
and watch light slowly close
on water I can't be sure is there.

—Mark Irwin

Mark Irwin is the author of nine collections of poetry, which include *A Passion According to Green* (2017), *American Urn: Selected Poems (1987-2014)*, *Large White House Speaking* (2013), *Tall If* (2008), *Bright Hunger* (2004), *White City* (2000), *Quick, Now, Always* (1996), and *Against the Meanwhile: Three Elegies* (1988). He has also translated Philippe Denis's *Notebook of Shadows* and Nichita Stanescu's *Ask the Circle to Forgive You: Selected Poems*. His collection of essays, *Monster: Distortion, Abstraction, and Originality in Contemporary American Poetry*, is forthcoming in 2017. His poetry and essays have appeared in many literary magazines including *American Poetry Review*, *Agni Review*, the *Atlantic Monthly*, *Georgia Review*, the *Kenyon Review*, *Paris Review*, *Pleiades*, *Poetry* magazine, the *Nation*, *New England Review*, *New American Writing*, the *New Republic*, and the *Southern Review*. Recognition for his work includes The Nation/Discovery Award, four Pushcart Prizes, two Colorado Book Awards, the James Wright Poetry Award, and fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Fulbright, Lilly, and Wurlitzer Foundations. He is an associate professor in the PhD in Creative Writing & Literature Program at the University of Southern California and lives in Los Angeles and Colorado.



PTA Club to hold Pound fitness events on April 13, May 11

April 8, 2018
Buzz



Join the SUNY Broome PTA Club for their Pound fitness event from 7 to 8 p.m. April 13 and May 11, 2018, at Jam Fitness at 140 Vestal Parkway E # 3.

Please contact Jam Fitness directly at 607-953-5267 to register as there is a 45-person registration limit. The cost of each event is \$15.

It promises to be a fun time with black-lights, music and of course drumsticks and a little bit of sweat! If you have questions, please feel free to contact Julianne Klepfer 778-5329.



Celebrate the planet: Earth Fest to be held April 29

April 8, 2018

Buzz

Celebrate the richness and beauty of our planet at Earth Fest, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 29, in SUNY Broome's Baldwin Gym, located in the Student Center. Admission is \$1 or a donation to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse.

Earth Day Southern Tier is proud to be again partnering with SUNY Broome, the Binghamton Zoo at Ross Park, and the Roberson Museum and Science Center. There will be vendors, music, food, magic shows, hands-on children's activities, crafts, demonstrations and give-a-ways. The event also features a River Trails Bike Cruise organized by the Southern Tier Bike Club.

The SUNY Broome Ecology Club will be operating a book exchange and clothing recycling drop-off program during the event. Fuel-efficient cars will also be on display.



Learn about RN to BSN programs at a April 20 info session

April 8, 2018

Buzz

Join Excelsior College and SUNY Empire College representatives for a RN to BSN Information Session from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, in Decker Health Sciences Building Room 201 on the SUNY Broome campus.

Learn about the expectations of upper level nursing courses, clinical requirements and how nurses working full-time fit these paths into their lives.

RSVP at <http://bit.ly/BPPnursing18> to be entered into raffles. RSVPs prior to April 6 will be given extra tickets!

You must attend the event to win.

For more information, contact Terri Fadden at faddenta@sunybroome.edu.

Rnbsn Event 1



Free, fast and confidential screenings for depression on April 11 and 12

April 8, 2018

Buzz

Are you feeling anxious, alone, stressed or just not yourself? SUNY Broome Counseling Services, located in Student Services Building suite 210, will be offering free, fast and confidential Depression Screenings on campus April 11 and 12.

Free one-on-one confidential screenings with a trained mental health professional will be available for depression and other conditions. Feedback provided after a screening is informational, not diagnostic. Based on screening results, the mental health professional may recommend a more comprehensive evaluation.

Screening locations are:

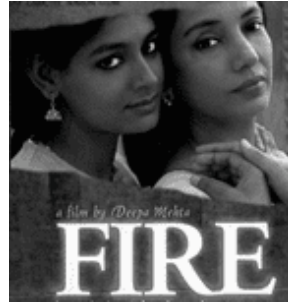
- April 11: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in Student Services Room 210
- April 12: 2 – 4:30 p.m. in the Student Village classroom.

Confidential Counseling services are available to students at no cost. Contact (607) 778-5210 or visit SS-210 to schedule an appointment or to learn more.



April 11 film screening: 'Fire'

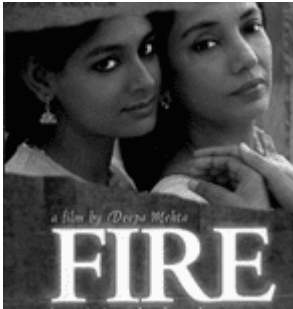
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Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 1996 Indian Film "Fire," directed by Deepa Mehta.

"Fire" portrays a forbidden love between two women in India. The film was highly controversial at the time of its release as it touches on homosexuality and the freedom of women to act on their desires.

Part of PTK's International Film Series, the film starts at 7 p.m. April 11 in TH 101.



SUNY Broome team surpasses its goal for the #bingheartwalk

April 9, 2018
Buzz



Stinger poses with the SUNY Broome team at the #bingheartwalk

The SUNY Broome team exceeded its goal at the Southern Tier Heart Walk on April 8, thanks to your help. The goal was **\$5,850** and the tally currently stands at **\$6,013** and still counting! Students also conducted displays and demonstrations, including hands-only CPR, at the event, which raises funds for the American Heart Association. You still have time to pick up a Heart Walk t-shirt — in two different styles — for only \$10. They will be at the Teaching Resource Center on the first floor of the library for the rest of the week.



Stinger learns how to do hands-only CPR at the #bingheartwalk



Stinger poses with the SUNY Broome team at the #bingheartwalk



On-campus construction activities for the week of April 9

April 9, 2018
Buzz



- The south entrance canopy foundation (for the new Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center) will be formed, inspected and concrete poured this week. A steel “topping off” ceremony will be held in the upcoming weeks to celebrate placement of the last piece of steel for this project.
- Concrete will be poured this week for the floor of the second floor adjunct office as well as the floor for the connector between the Calice Center and the Business Building.
- Solar panels will be delivered this week and layout will begin on the upper roof of Calice.
- Waterproofing and sealing of the edges of the elevator shaft will take place this week.
- Work continues on the heat pumps in the boiler room.
- The Calice Center will be posted today to provide notification for upcoming further asbestos removal (tile floors)

As always, if anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact David Ligeikis at (607) 765-9710.\



In the Community: Free dental care day on May 12

April 9, 2018

Buzz

Lalor Family Dental will provide free dental care to those in need on Saturday, May 12.

The Lalor Family Dental team will offer one cleaning, filling, or extraction free of charge to at least 200 people. The 10th annual event will take place at Lalor Family Dental's Main Office located at 2521 Vestal Parkway West in Vestal.

Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. and patients will be seen on a first come, first served basis beginning at 8 a.m. Visitors are expected to come from Broome, Tioga and surrounding counties as the event is open to everyone in the community; all ages are welcome and encouraged to attend.

For more information about this event, please visit the "Free Dental Care Day" page on their website at www.LalorDental.com, or visit the events section of their Facebook page.



SUNY Broome students show off their talents and aid the needy with Canstruction

April 9, 2018
Featured News



The completed Canstruction



Engineering Science Instructor Susan Schwing and her students worked on the supports for Canstruction for a week before the build.



Students and faculty construction SUNY Broome's Canstruction entry on April 8.
website, www.foodbankst.org.

One can at a time, SUNY Broome students formed a massive edifice that showed off their engineering talents — all while donating nearly two tons of food to people in need.

For the first time, SUNY Broome students participated in Canstruction at the Oakdale Mall, in which organizations, schools and businesses construct massive structures out of non-perishable food items, which are then donated to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse and the Food Bank of the Southern Tier. Entries to the contest included a revolving globe from BAE Systems, as well as April the Giraffe and her baby, the house featured in the movie *Up* and more.

SUNY Broome's edifice — designed and built by first-year students in instructor Susan Schwing's Engineering Design I and II classes — featured an image of Stinger with flashing red eyes. Panels also displayed the college's logo in a zigzag design that shows "SUNY" or "Broome" depending on where the viewer stands.



Students and faculty construction SUNY Broome's Canstruction entry on April 8.

The project is sponsored by a \$4,000 donation from the CSRA Company, based in Menands, NY. . All the canned goods used in the project — more than 3,200 total — will be donated to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse and the Food Bank of the Southern Tier.

Make sure you stop by the Oakdale Mall to visit! The structures will be on display for a week, before being disassembled on April 15. Additionally, the public will be able to vote for their favorite Canstruction on the Food Bank's





Students and faculty construction SUNY Broome's Construction entry on April 8.



The completed Construction

**April 12
Common
Hour**



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Employer Information Session: BAE Systems

April 9, 2018
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Representatives from BAE Systems in Endicott will be on campus Thursday, April 12, to host an Employer Information Session.

Student enrolled in or interested in Engineering Technologies and Engineering Science programs are highly encouraged to attend. It's an opportunity to hear directly from industry professionals on what it takes to succeed with their company.

Representations will talk about the various opportunities they have for SUNY Broome students (especially internship opportunities). The session will be held in AT 200 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Attendees will earn 1 entry into a free Kindle Fire drawing (winner to be drawn the day after the Job Fair on April 27).



In the Community: Volunteers needed for May 19 airport disaster drill

April 9, 2018

Buzz

Greater Binghamton Airport is conducting a disaster drill on Saturday May 19, 2018, and is looking for volunteers to play crash victims, greeters and family members.

If you're interested, contact Senior Airport Operations Specialist David Hill at 607-763-4474 or dhill@co.broome.ny.us.



April 12 Common Hour Employer Information Session: Careers with Security Mutual

April 9, 2018

Buzz

A representative from Security Mutual in Binghamton will be on campus Thursday, April 12, to host an Employer Information Session.

Security Mutual has numerous full-time employment opportunities for those graduating in May, or recently graduated alumni. Stop by to learn all about the company's rich history in the Southern Tier and how you can succeed with Security Mutual.

The session will be held in BB 205 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Attendees will earn one entry into a free Kindle Fire drawing (winner to be drawn the day after the Job Fair on April 27). FREE FOOD provided to attendees as well!



Can you keep up? Hornets Run the Hill on April 13

April 9, 2018

Buzz

Come see if you can keep up with law enforcement recruits and take your chance completing the collaborative Confidence Course on Friday, April 13, during Hornets Run the Hill!

The race begins promptly at 2:15 p.m. next to the SUNY Broome basketball courts on Front Street and ends at the Confidence Course across from the Broome County Sheriff's Office.

Participants will run south on Lt. Van Winkle Drive and complete the obstacle course on the other end. The cost to participate is \$5; please bring exact change. Registration runs from 1:30 to 2 p.m., and participants are encouraged to pre-register online here.

In addition to law enforcement recruits, the race is open to all current SUNY Broome students, faculty and staff.

This event is sponsored by the Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Student Association in collaboration with the Broome County Sheriff Regional Law Enforcement Academy, with special thanks to the Hospitality Programs Club and Public Safety for assisting with the event.



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April 12 Common Hour: Point-Counterpoint

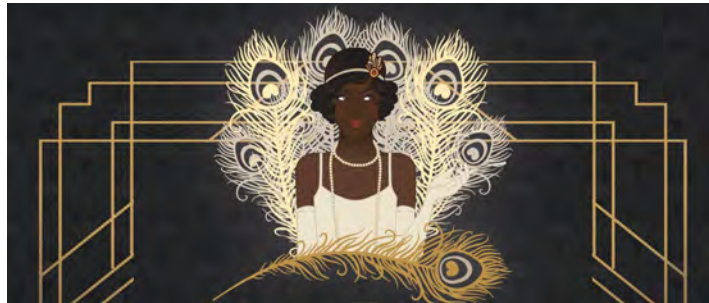
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Join Scott Corley and Carla Michalak, faculty panelists with divergent points of view, at 11 a.m. April 12 in T-102 for a discussion of the most important current events of the day.



Flappers and Gents: Join us May 9 at Tioga Downs for a Roaring 20s Gala fundraiser!

April 10, 2018
Buzz



Wear your flapper best and dance the Charleston all night long for a good cause at the Roaring 20s Gala, hosted by SUNY Broome and Tioga Downs Casino Resort! The event starts at 6 p.m. May 9 at Tioga Downs' Events Center.

Planned by students in SUNY Broome's Hospitality Programs Department, the gala is a fundraiser for the University of the Virgin Islands, which was hit hard last year by a pair of hurricanes. Wear your Roaring 20s best for this Great Gatsby-themed gala, and enjoy music, a silent auction, cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, prizes and more!

Tickets are \$30 each or \$50 per couple. Special room rates are also available

in Tioga Downs' spacious new hotel guestrooms! Call (607) 699-3900 for details and use the discount code "SUNY Broome."

Buy your tickets now at www.sunybroome.edu/1920gala.

University Of Virgin Islands Fundraiser Invitation Flyer (PDF)



Need food? Fresh Fridays comes to campus April 13 and May 4

April 10, 2018
Buzz



The Mobile Food Pantry from the Southern Tier Food Bank will be on campus to distribute food to those in need during Fresh Fridays. Distribution will be in the Student Village parking lot from 10 to 11 a.m. April 13, and May 4.



Support the 2018 Southern Tier Oral Cancer Walk/Run for Awareness

April 10, 2018

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The Oral Cancer Foundation's Southern Tier Oral Cancer Walk/Run for Awareness will be held on Sunday, April 29, at Otsiningo Park in Binghamton. Check-in begins at 8 a.m. and the walk/run begins at 10 a.m.

The SUNY Broome Dental Hygiene Senior Class will be volunteering at the event. If you would like to support the class or come walk/run with us, you can register online at: <https://donate.oralcancer.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.team&teamID=7721>

Please email Meghan McGuinness (mcguinnessma@sunybroome.edu) with any questions. Thank you!



ASK! A fun, interactive and informative Convocation Day event

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The President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion is proud to offer ASK! again this spring as part of Convocation Day events from 1 to 2:25 p.m. April 17 in D-201.

ASK allows you to interact with students and faculty of all different backgrounds and ask questions that you might have been wondering but never had the opportunity to ask. It is a fun, interactive and informative event that creates a safe space for dialogue around difference.

The Invisible Gorilla challenges us to take a second look. What are you missing about people you work, learn and live with? People representing some of the diverse categories of human beings (race, age, ethnicity, and disability, as well as people representing a broad array of cultures, religions, and affiliations like veterans, gamers, weight lifters and pagans) will be on hand to answer questions.

You'll be issued a passport upon entry which will be stamped by each identity table where you may ask a question (or two). Ask questions you want to know but didn't know who to ask or use questions that will be posted at each person's table.

Venessa Rodriguez, Director of the Educational Opportunity Program, participated in prior ASK! events representing Latinx people. "Being Puerto Rican is a source of great pride for me and I wanted to ensure representation, but I also know that there are many unfortunate stereotypes that exist about Latinx people and I wanted to have an opportunity to dispel any untruths," she said.

Director Rodriguez felt she made a connection with students who attended the event. "It was nice to engage in conversations with students I don't typically have access to and discuss issues of diversity, equity, inclusion as it relates to the lived experiences of Latinx people. It was also a great opportunity to showcase the idea that I am just one person within this community that is very diverse in and of itself," she said.

In their book, *The Invisible Gorilla*, Christopher Chabris and Daniel Simons explain how our brains trick us into thinking we see and know far more than we do. Rodriguez sees a relationship between this and perceptions society has about her.

"Yes, I think that we (humans) rely on stereotypes and assumptions to categorize everything around us, including each other," she said. "I think this process is an oversimplification that can prevent us from looking deeper and is what leads to unconscious bias and even hatred of persons we have deemed other. The more we expose ourselves to people who are different from us, the more we can see our commonalities and bridge divides where none need not exist."


Sesime Adanu, Dean of Institutional Effectiveness and Enrollment Planning, participated in ASK! "to offer the curious minds of the campus community the opportunity and safe space to have their questions answered about people from Africa."

Dean Adanu felt that representing people from Africa was important "considering the varying perceptions people have about the African continent. My interaction and response to students' questions piqued their interest with more questions asked." He received a wide range of interesting questions from students. "Some of the questions centered on issues the students would not have felt comfortable asking in a different setting," he said.

Associate Professor Patricia Evans in our Visual Communications Department encourages her talented art and design students to show kindness and compassion towards those that are different than them through the creation of meaningful visual form. Their artwork, highlighting individuals integral to the Underground Railroad will be on display at the ASK! event, and students will be available to answer questions.

Evans' kindness and compassion campaign, called Exhibition Series: FACES, has shined a light on women suffragists, Holocaust survivors and non-survivors, and most recently iconic individuals integral to the Underground Railroad including slaves, abolitionists, mammies, authors, writers, conductors, and stationmasters. This series of FACES is currently exhibited in our Cecil C. Tyrrell Library on the SUNY Broome campus through the month of April in the research area, and all are welcome to attend this ongoing display; highlighting the importance of social and cultural history as a teachable moment.

Evans reiterates that her students enthusiastically take on the challenge of speaking for those who cannot, and quips, *When you think that you have had a bad day, think again!*

Please join us on April 17 for a little over an hour to ask questions of those who can speak about their experiences, their beliefs, their identity, and find the commonalities that we all share as part of the SUNY Broome community. 

Faculty facilitators will include Sandy Wright, Lisa Hughes, Susan Seibold-Simpson, Virginia Shirley, Carol Ross, Loreta Paniccia, and Maureen Kollar.

Get creative: Open Studio event on April 13

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Join Professor David Zeggert and his students for an Open Studio event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 13 in Old Science Building Room 205. Open Studio is an opportunity to create your own work, work on a school project or just stop by to view some recent paintings and drawings created by Professor Zeggert's students. All are welcome!



Call for volunteers: MLK Jr. Job Fair

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Are you seeking a volunteer or community service opportunity on campus? Do you love interacting with people? Are you in search of a leadership experience that will help you get to where you want to be after SUNY Broome?

The 2018 SUNY Broome MLK Jr. Job Fair will take place on Thursday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. In partnership with the New York State Department of Labor, this is an important event for our campus and community. If you would like to volunteer to be a part of this event, please contact Gina Chase at chasegm@sunybroome.edu.

Volunteers will be provided with a lunch voucher. Volunteer duties range from assisting with set-up, check-in, being available during the event to escort job seekers/employers and answer questions, and tear-down.



Thank you from the Heart Walk Committee

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Stinger poses with the SUNY Broome team at the #bingheartwalk

On behalf of the Heart Walk Committee, we would like to extend a huge thank you to the students, staff and faculty that participated in the 2018 AHA Heart Walk and all the fundraising events leading up the walk! Our campus goal was to raise \$5,850 and we met and exceeded that goal. We are currently at \$6,195!



Stinger poses with the SUNY Broome team at the #bingheartwalk



Stinger learns how to do hands-only CPR at the #bingheartwalk



Support our student researchers on Convocation Day

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An Undergraduate Research Student Symposium will be held on Convocation Day in the Art Gallery (Library) from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Students from STEM, Health Sciences and Liberal Arts will be displaying their original work during this poster session.

We invite you to come check out their research, ask questions and maybe even learn something new! Light refreshments will be provided.

We appreciate your support as SUNY Broome encourages students to get involved in the Community College Undergraduate Research Initiative. Faculty participants include Kimberly McLain, Denisa Talovic, Christen Baumbach and Tracy Curtis.



Wild Thoughts: Maria finds herself through writing and self-publishes a book

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Maria Chapero and her book of poetry.

*I write my thoughts,
I learn from experience,
I tell stories,
I have inspiration every day.
What you read today
Is a collection of myself
And other things.*

When Maria Chapero was 12 years old, she began to write.

Her immediate inspiration was a journal she purchased at IKEA. In it went her ruminations, musings and dreams, first in her native Spanish and later in the English she had begun to master.

She wrote when her native Venezuela began to fall into chaos, and her family left Maracaibo – a northwestern city called “The Beloved Land of the Sun” – for Vestal in snowy Upstate New York. She wrote when she attended Vestal High School and when she came to SUNY Broome. She’s still writing today.

“Suddenly I started writing every day,” said Chapero, a Liberal Arts major who will graduate this May. “I want to write books – any kind of books!”

*Honestly,
I’m a half introvert
So this is hard to share
But the extrovert part
Wants to share the content
Of this book and what a nice
Way than to put everything
In just one place.*

*For your understanding,
I’m going to tell you
What’s in my mind.*

She has already written one: *Wild Thoughts*, a book of her poetry, now available online at Amazon and, eventually, Barnes & Noble and The Book Depository.

On April 20, she will discuss her experience in self-publishing at Speakers of the House, SUNY Broome’s chapter of Toastmasters International, at 3:10 p.m. in Wales Building Room 203-B.

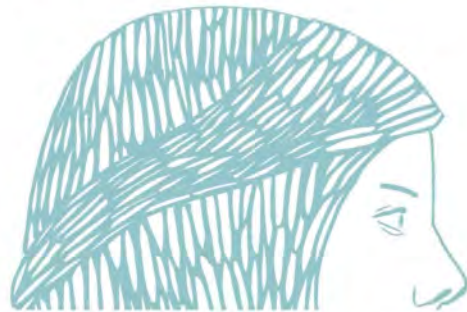
“Everyone can do it and it’s not that expensive,” she said of self-publishing. While the process was much more intensive years ago, “there’s now an easier path and I want people to know about it,” she said.

*I am someone
Who has a lot of projects.
Like a maniac
I journal.*



Maria Chapero and her book of poetry.

Wild thoughts



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The co  of Maria Chapero’s book of poetry.

*I always
Have this feeling
that time is running
away from me,
so I must act quickly
or just write about it.*

*There was a time,
Very dark times
For me.
I moved to another
Country and my Grandfather died
Two days after my
Birthday, I also thought
That I lost those friends
I had back in my hometown.
Hometown.
Seems so strange,
It never came across me
This feeling that maybe,
Hometown is just a pretty
Word for "I lived here and
Was born here"*

Chapero was 16 years old when her family left their native land, once the richest country in Latin America but now in the grip of a humanitarian crisis.

"It was pretty bad. We knew it was going to get worse," Chapero said of her family's decision to leave.

As a teen, she learned a new language – and shifted her writing accordingly.

"At first my writing was just in Spanish, but now I write in both languages," she explained. "My brain thinks in both languages."

Her poems are spare and confessional, featuring short lines and a sense of space. Sometimes she writes poetry using her smartphone, which lends itself to a more abbreviated art form.

*Before I moved,
I wanted to switch
Things a lot,
Destiny listened to me
And gave me the opportunity
To switch the way I see life.
You see, before everything,
Life was awesome,
I felt awesome,
I had a loving family,
I had loyal friends
(They are still my friends, and
my family still loves me,
Hello!)
but then,
everything got taken away
from me and I almost let
Sadness take over me
And destroy me like
A tornado.
Maybe that's it.
My mind was just a tornado of emotions.*

Chapero has enjoyed her time at SUNY Broome. Her favorite professor is Kathleen McKenna, whom she met during her first semester on campus. Maria's English wasn't as polished then, and she credits Professor McKenna with helping her improve her public speaking skills.

"Before speaking, I would get really nervous. She really helped me with that," said Chapero.

*Now, back in the present,
I'm happy, very happy
I must admit.
It wasn't that easy
But at the same time
It wasn't that hard.
I learn to remove*



*Negative thoughts
And ignore those
Who want the worst for me.
Now, I'm learning
To throw away my fears
And start on my projects.
This is the first step to it.*

Maria's own favorite writer is Chilean author Isabel Allende, whom she reads in her native Spanish.

It may seem counterintuitive for an introvert to self-publish a book of poetry – and speak about it to a group of people on campus – but that's part of the writer's life, something Maria aspires to and works toward.

When people read her work, "they are reading something very personal, but it can mean whatever they want," she said of her decision to share her poetry with the larger world.

After graduating in May, she plans to attend Binghamton University and major in creative writing – another step closer to her dreams of being an author.

*To finish all this nonsense,
I wanted to say that
If you don't have anyone to
Talk to or just don't want to
Say anything,
Please,
Journal about it until
Your heart tells you to stop,
Then read it the next day
And laugh at yourself.*



Want to graduate? You need to fill out an Intent to Graduate form

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Upcoming graduates: If you have completed your degree requirements in the Fall of 2017 or will complete your degree requirements in the Spring and Summer of 2018, don't forget to submit your Intent to Graduate Form!

Even if you don't plan to take part in the Commencement ceremony, you need to submit your Intent to Graduate Form in order to receive your diploma.

Have you moved recently? Please make sure the Registrar's Office has your current information.

Any questions can be directed to the Student Activities office at StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu or 607-778-5033.

[Intent To Graduate Form \(PDF\)](#)



April 19 Common Hour on Healthy & Safe Sex

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Want to know what is going to make all of your sexual interactions the most fulfilling and the most fun for all involved? Join campus liaison Haley Murphy from Crime Victims Assistance Center and educator Abby Terry from Mothers & Babies at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 19, in Decker 201 as they discuss how to have healthy and safe sex.



Graduating? Handed in your Intent to Graduate form? Here's what you need next.

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Ready to graduate? Submitted your Intent to Graduate Form? Then you are ready for this information.

These documents will give you information on where the Commencement ceremony will take place, when it is, what you need and lots of other great information. Any questions can be directed to the Student Activities Office at StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu or 607-778-5033.

Congratulations on the next step in your journey!

[Parking Map Downtown \(PDF\)](#)

[Graduation Faq For Attendees 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

[Letter To Graduates 2018 Both \(PDF\)](#)



April 12 is National Grilled Cheese Day in the Dining Hall

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April 12 is National Grilled Cheese Day! The Dining Hall will be celebrating the cheesiest of sandwiches all day with a special menu of grilled cheese features. They will also offer samples and encourage customers to cast their vote for the best sandwich.

A preview of the menu is below:

- The Cheesy Brat: Thick-Cut Texas Toast, Grilled Bratwurst, Sauerkraut, and Pepper Jack Cheese
- The Smoky Grilled Cheese: Heidelberg Cracked Wheat Bread, Applewood Bacon, Smoked Gouda Cheese, Smoked Tomato Marmalade
- The Parisian: Heidelberg Multigrain Panini Bread, Smoked Ham, Dijon Mustard, House Made Pickles and Creamy Brie
- The Cocoa Monsieur: French Toast Style with Toasted Brioche, Applewood Bacon, Chocolate, and Goat Cheese-Ricotta Spread



Pre-Convocation Documentary: InnSaei – The Power of Intuition

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Just us at 3 p.m. Thursday, April 12, in T-101 for a showing of the documentary “InnSaei – The Power of Intuition.”

Filmmakers Hrund Gunnsteinsdottir and Kristín Ólafsdóttir take viewers on a visually stunning and soul-searching journey in this inspiring 2016 film, which uncovers the art of connecting within. The topic is especially relevant in today’s world of disconnection, digital distraction and stress. The 75-minute film offers radical insights into how we think and sense the world around us.

Featured in the film is renowned scientist Marti Spiegelman, an expert in neuroscience, who believes we are only using a fraction of our capacity as human beings. Also in the film is artist Marina Abramovic, the “grandmother of performance art” who teaches that in order to create something new human beings need to go into the unknown.



April 19 Common Hour: Diversity Discussions

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At 11 a.m. April 19 in T-102, join our panelists, campus leaders in diversity matters, for a discussion of some of the important diversity issues relevant to your campus experience and your future work experience.

Discuss how to demonstrate awareness of the expanding diversity in the workforce, and how sexual harassment is an issue of growing concern among companies concerned about the safety of the work environment as well as the legal exposure that unsafe workplaces create.



Council for Operational Issues to meet April 19

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The Council for Operational Issues will meet at 9 a.m. Thursday, April 19, 2018, in the Darwin R. Wales Center's Gary Alan Bosket Conference Room (Wales 203B). The draft agenda is attached. All COI meetings are open to the campus community. For more information please visit <http://www2.sunybroome.edu/shared-governance/council-for-operational-issues>

20180419 Coi Agenda (PDF)



Spring Theater Production: 'Short & Sweet' on April 26 and 27

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John Patrick Shanley



John Patrick Shanley

SUNY Broome Theater announces its spring production of “Short & Sweet: Mini plays on Family, Friends & Love from *Welcome to the Moon & Marcus Is Walking*.” Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. April 26 and 27 at the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre in the Student Center.

“We are proud to be presenting these short but enchanting pieces of work by John Patrick Shanley and Joan Ackermann,” said Theater director Katherine Bacon. “*Welcome to the Moon* is John Patrick Shanley’s celebration of love in all its forms and Joan Ackermann’s *Marcus Is Walking* explores lighthearted family relationships that happen in an automobile!”

John Patrick Shanley’s film *Moonstruck* won an Academy Award in 1988 and his play *Doubt: A Parable* won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama and the Tony Award for Best Play and was also made into a film starring Meryl Streep and Viola Davis who were nominated for Oscars for the film. Mark your calendars for this wonderful and entertaining evening of dramatic works by these celebrated writers.



Community-wide launch of Talk It Up *New Venue*

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Details: Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 6 – 8 p.m. at WSKG, 601 Gates Road, Vestal

Presenters:

Author of *Thirty Million Words* Dr. Dana Suskind (via Skype)

BT/BOCES Superintendent Allen Buyck

Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo

Broome County Executive Jason Garnar

Professor of Biology Dr. Jennifer Musa

Children's Reading Connection founder Brigid Hubberman

The Literacy Legacy Project is excited to announce the launch of a new initiative, Talk It Up on Thursday, from 6 to 8 p.m. April 26 at WSKG. Talk It Up is a community read of the book *Thirty Million Words: Growing a Child's Brain* by Dana



Suskind. This initiative is designed to engage the community in open dialogue on what it takes to ensure that all children in Broome County achieve optimum brain development beginning at birth.

Suskind's book helps readers understand, through a comprehensive review of various research studies, the critical importance human interactions have on the development of young child's brain. Eighty five percent of brain development occurs in the first few years of life. During these early years, the words read, spoken or sung to children help build neural pathways that lay the foundation for learning.

The main research study around this work was conducted by Betty Hart and Todd Risley, and showed that children in poverty hear 30 million fewer words by age three than children from working class families. According to research, "follow-up studies showed that these differences in language and interaction experiences have lasting effects on a child's performance later in life." (http://www.wvearlychildhood.org/resources/C-13_Handout_1.pdf).

This is why early language experiences are vital. Language experiences – such as talking to a baby and reading a book together – greatly increase the likelihood that every child will reach his or her full potential in learning and life.

Following the launch on April 26, the Literacy Legacy Project will convene a series of book discussions to co-create a strategy that addresses this issue. We eagerly invite all stake-holders to attend the launch, read Suskind's book and contribute viable solutions. We hope that reading the book *Thirty Million Words*, will inspire and empower families, organizations, schools, libraries and institutions – the community – with new knowledge and understanding about the importance of early, frequent and pleasurable language experiences for all children.

This collaborative community initiative was developed by the Children's Reading Connection and launched in Tompkins County earlier this year.

SUNY Broome's Center for Civic Engagement created the Literacy Legacy Project to promote, inspire and support a culture of talking and reading to young children as part of everyday life in families and communities. The program will serve as a connector, convener, catalyst and collaborator sharing high-quality resources and models to ensure that all children in Broome County are surrounded by an abundance of language-rich experiences, beginning at birth. We believe one of the best investments we can make in Broome County is to join together to ensure all children experience the joy and power of loving words through talking, singing, reading and playing every single day.

The Literacy Legacy Project was developed through SUNY Broome's Douglas C. Garnar Center for Civic Engagement, in partnership with the Children's Reading Connection.



Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence: Congratulations to Danika, Erin and Monica *New Photos*

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SUNY Chancellor Kristina M. Johnson, Monica Hollenbeck, SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm

community and abroad, volunteering in local hospitals, creating healing rooms for children through A Room to Heal, and traveling abroad on the Health for Haiti service learning trip. [Click here to read more about Monica.](#)

Danika McMurray of Endicott earned her degree in Liberal Arts: Individual Studies. While at SUNY Broome, Danika made the Dean's list and now majors in Political Science at Binghamton University. Committed to civic engagement and equal opportunity, she interned with Kim Myers for Congress and Senate Minority Leader Charles E. Schumer. Additionally, she co-founded the campus' College Democrats chapter and serves as the Vice President of Broome County Young Democrats. On campus, Danika was Vice President of Phi Theta Kappa, a student ambassador and a peer tutor. [Click here to read more about Danika.](#)



SUNY Chancellor Kristina M. Johnson, Erin Page, SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm

integration of academic excellence with accomplishments in the areas of leadership, athletics, community service, creative and performing arts, campus involvement, or career achievement.

Each year, SUNY campus presidents establish a selection committee, which reviews the accomplishments of exemplary students. Nominees are then forwarded to the Chancellor's Office for a second round of review. Finalists are then recommended to the Chancellor to become recipients of the award.

Congratulations to Danika McMurray, Erin Page and Monica Hollenbeck, who received the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence!

SUNY students, their families, campus administration and faculty convened in the Albany Capital Center on April 10 to congratulate the 249 SUNY students receiving this year's award.

"I am immensely proud of these students, who have demonstrated academic excellence and dedication to enriching their campuses and communities," said SUNY Chancellor Kristina M. Johnson. "From research publications in industry journals to volunteering in hospitals and local clinics to holding leadership roles at their institutions, I am inspired by each student we recognize today, including Erin, Monica and Danika from SUNY Broome. Congratulations to all of the students receiving this year's award."

Monica Hollenbeck of Endicott, an Early Childhood Education major, serves as Treasurer of the Broome Educators of Children Association. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and has been on the President's List every semester, all while maintaining a job at a local daycare. Monica has also been active in her



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Erin Page of Johnson City is a Communication & Media Arts major. Erin has always played sports, such as

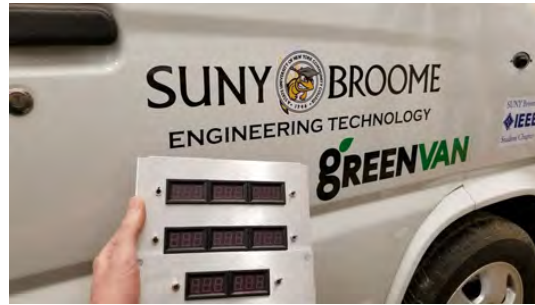
volleyball and softball, while maintaining her grades at an exceptional level. At SUNY Broome, she maintained a 3.9 GPA while playing for the SUNY Broome volleyball and softball teams during her freshman year. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a Student Ambassador and the Vice President of SUNY Broome's Communication Club. Erin also works for the Binghamton Rumble Ponies with the Video Production team at NYSEG Stadium. [Click here to read more about Erin.](#)

The Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence was created in 1997 to recognize students who have best demonstrated, and have been recognized for, the

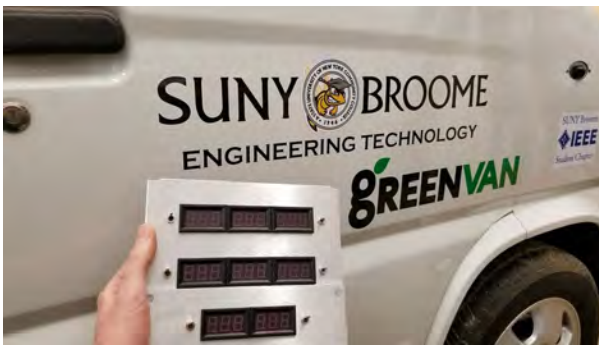


Charging Forward: IEEE Club electrified to compete in the Toyota Green Grand Prix for the second year in a row

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A voltage panel on the Green Van



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The team will be racing a re-purposed ¾-size electric Vantage Green Van, which has been improved upon since last year. The van, once used by SUNY Broome's Maintenance department, was out of commission and about to be sold off at the Broome County auction. DiGiacomo championed the idea of acquiring the van to be used as a student project. This year, the van is sporting lots of new instrumentation: A custom voltage display panel, a custom dash display, a power meter, side view mirror cameras, and a GPS.

This data will help the team more accurately monitor the batteries and associated systems, and allow them to get a more accurate MPGe rating.

Modifications have also been done to improve stability for the autocross.



Taillight on the Green Van

Custom LED tail lights have also been installed to decrease power usage and improve visibility and safety.

The team is proud to announce that the van has been charged using 100% renewable energy sourced by solar power.

The team would like to thank

their sponsors for their continued support: BAE Systems, Raymond Corporation, GenTherm, Redbarn and HackerThreads.

For more info on the Green Grand Prix visit: <http://www.greengrandprix.com/>



The SUNY Broome Green Van



Display panels in the Green Van



38th annual SUNY Broome Children's Fair to be held April 14

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Join us from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 14, for the 38th annual SUNY Broome Children's Fair in the college's Student Center.

The event is free, although donations for the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse will be accepted. Sponsors include the SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Department, BAE Systems, the Binghamton Chapter of the NYAEYC, the BECA (Broome Educators of Children Association) Student Club and the Literacy Legacy Project (LLP).

April is recognized as the "Month of the Young Child" by the National Association of the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). This year's Children's Fair theme, "Things that Go: Bus Extravaganza," is in conjunction with the LLP's One Book initiative Preschool Program sponsored by BAE Systems. Prior to the Children's Fair, all 4-year-old children enrolled in a preschool program across the county will receive a copy of the book *The Bus for Us* by Suzanne Bloom.

Families are invited to join in celebrating children by enjoying an interactive, fun-filled family day with hands-on activities created by SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Education students. Big trucks, police cars, snowplows, fire trucks and Chenango Gymnastics will be on hand for the children to interact with as well. The event also includes child safety seat inspections, the Child-Safe Program and other community exhibits that support our theme and activities, and touchable transportation described in *The Bus for Us*.

Nutritious and very low-cost lunches and snacks will also be available for your convenience! As well, there will be a basket raffle whose proceeds will support the BC Center, the on-campus daycare center.

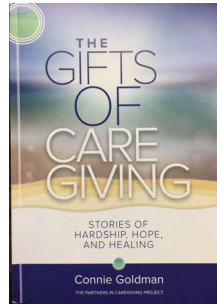
For more information about this event, please contact Lisa Strahley, Teacher Education/Early Childhood chairwoman, at 607-778-5029 or via email at strahleyla@sunybroome.edu.

Childrens Fair 2018 Flyer (PDF)

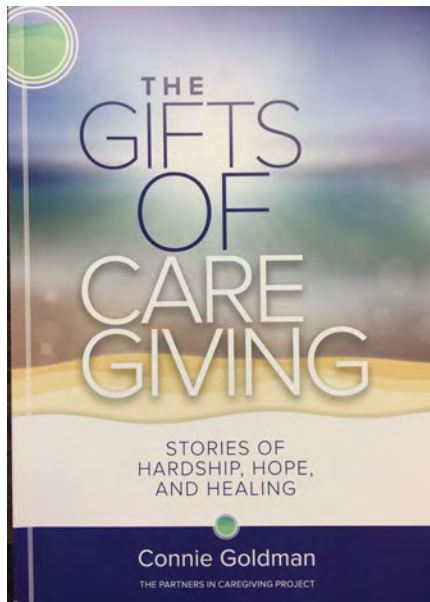


Dr. Battisti shares his story of caregiving in recent book

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Connie Goldman's The Gifts of Caregiving: Stories of Hardship, Hope, and Healing



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SUNY Broome Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti contributed a story to Connie Goldman's *The Gifts of Caregiving: Stories of Hardship, Hope, and Healing*.

The 2018 book, published by the Society of Certified Senior Advisors, shares the personal stories of those who have accepted the responsibilities of being a primary caregiver. In their stories, these caregivers discuss the changes, challenges and sacrifices they face, but also the gifts of inspiration, insight and healing that a commitment to caregiving brings.

Dr. Battisti cared for his father, an Italian immigrant, during his final years of life. During his time as a caregiver, he learned the importance of simply being with and relating to his father, not focusing on tasks that needed completion.

"My relationship with my dad in those years of his illness fed my own midlife growing experience," Dr. Battisti told Goldman.



Mark your calendars: #MeToo founder to speak at SUNY Broome on May 8

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#MeToo founder Tarana Burke



#MeToo founder Tarana Burke

Join the Women's Institute of SUNY Broome and others for an evening with #MeToo Founder Tarana Burke from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m. May 8 at the Baldwin Gym in the SUNY Broome Student Center. Burke will share the heartbreaking story behind the genesis of the #MeToo movement, while empowering those who have experienced sexual trauma or harassment. On stage, she provides words of empowerment that lift up marginalized voices, enabling survivors of all races, genders and classes to know they are not alone, while creating a place of comfort and healing for those who have experienced trauma.

The #MeToo campaign has emerged as a rallying cry for people who have survived sexual assault and sexual harassment, and its "silence breakers" were named *TIME* magazine's 2017 Person of the Year.

A sexual assault survivor herself, Burke has dedicated more than 25 years of her life to social justice. She currently is working under the banner of the #MeToo movement to assist other survivors and individuals who work to end sexual violence. She is also senior director of programs at the Brooklyn-based nonprofit Girls for Gender Equity.

According to Professor Margherita Rossi, founding member of the Women's Institute, "Sexual harassment and sexual assault happen to so many. We need to listen and act. This is more than a viral moment. Because of the work Tarana Burke has done, we actually have the opportunity to hand our children a different world."

Event co-sponsors include SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm, SUNY Broome's Division of Student Development and Diversity, Student Activities, Student Assembly, President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion, Counseling Services, the Center for Civic Engagement and the Broome Community College Foundation; Binghamton University President Harvey Stenger, BU's Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program, the Binghamton University Center for Civic Engagement and the Student Association of Binghamton University; the Women's Fund of the Community Foundation of Central NY; and Democratic Women of Broome County.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with Burke's presentation to follow at 6:30 p.m. and a Question and Answer session from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. A VIP Reception will follow the program.

The event is free and open to the public.

The Women's Institute of SUNY Broome Community College exists to advance women's Issues through education, research, and local, state, and national outreach in areas of modern day concerns important to women.



College Assembly to meet Monday, April 16

April 12, 2018

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College Assembly will meet at 3 p.m. Monday, April 16, 2018, in the Darwin R. Wales Center's Gary Alan Bosket Conference Room (Wales 203B). The agenda is attached. All CA meetings are open to the campus community. For more information on CA please visit: <http://www2.sunybroome.edu/shared-governance/college-assembly/>

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Southern Tier Robotics Competition on April 18

April 13, 2018
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SUNY Broome Engineering Science students help out at the eighth annual Southern Tier Robotics Competition



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Central High School; Sidney Central Schools; Susquehanna Valley High School; Union-Endicott High School; and Whitney Point High School.

There are six main events: the Large Swept Away Challenge, the Small Swept Away Challenge, the Autonomous Task Challenge, the Autonomous Line-Following Challenge, the Remote Control Forklift Challenge and the Maze Programming Challenge. In each, teams compete for either points or best time. Winners receive bragging rights as well as a trophy or plaque.

Check-in begins at 8:15 a.m. The event begins with an opening welcome at 9:30 a.m. Events run from 9:45 to 11:30 a.m., followed by an awards ceremony at 12:15 p.m.

Union-Endicott's TigerTronics team will also bring the robot it constructed for the FIRST (For the Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) competition. The students will discuss the robot and the competition, and conduct a demonstration.

The SUNY Broome Community College Engineering Science and Physics Department will hold the ninth annual Southern Tier Robotics Competition on Wednesday, April 18, on the SUNY Broome campus in the Applied Technology Building atrium. The event is co-sponsored by the Eastern Southern Tier STEM Hub and SUNY Broome.

The competition gives area high school and middle school students the opportunity to showcase their ingenuity and talent in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) while building and designing robots.

Know a student who is interested in a Science Technology Engineering or Math career? It's never too early to start looking at college programs. Visit – <http://www.sunybroome.edu/stem>

Approximately 200 students will participate. Competing school teams include: Broome-Tioga BOCES; Broome-Tioga BOCES' New Visions engineering program; Broome-Tioga BOCES P-TECH program; Chenango Forks Elementary and High School; Chenango Valley High School; Downsville Central School; Harpursville Junior and High School; Owego Free Academy; Seton Catholic



In the Community: Support the Mothers and Babies Fashion Gala on April 19

April 13, 2018
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SUNY Broome President Kevin Drumm will hit the runway, along with Binghamton Mayor Rich David, Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo, CEO of Visions Federal Credit Union Ty Muse and others to support Mothers and Babies Perinatal Network!

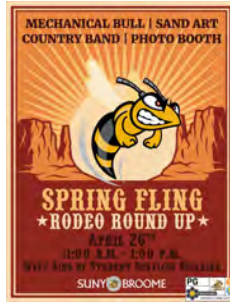
They will be among the models for the organization's fifth annual Guys & Gals Fashion Gala from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 19 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel at 225 Water St. in Binghamton.

Tickets are \$35 and cover a special evening of fun, food and fashion, with boutiques, vendor displays, silent auctions, a cash bar, hors d'oeuvres and more. Contact Maureen Hankin (x5393) for tickets.



Kristen Merlin to perform at Spring Fling Rodeo Roundup on April 26

April 13, 2018
Buzz



Grab your 10-gallon hats: Singer-songwriter Kristen Merlin will perform at this year's Spring Fling Rodeo Roundup on April 26.

The country singer was a semi-finalist on season 6 of NBC "The Voice." She released her first EP "Boomerang" 2015, and has shared the stage with artists such as Shakire and Sugarland.

Spring Fling runs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 26 on the west side of the Student Services Building and will feature a rodeo theme with a mechanical bull, sand art, photo booth and more. Merlin will perform between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

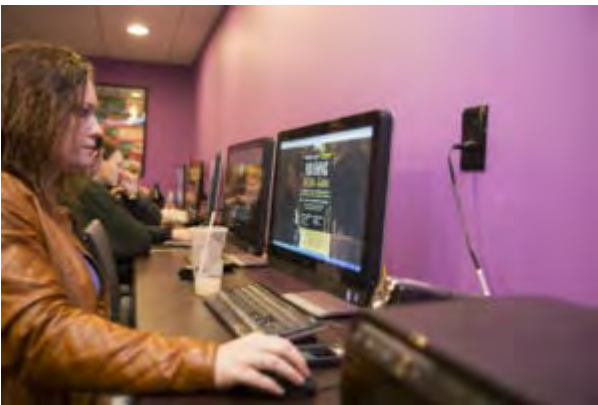


Taking shape: Hospitality students plan the May 9 Roaring 20s Gala

April 13, 2018
Featured News



Hospitality Program students are planning all aspects of the Roaring 1920s gala, from colors and floral arrangements to advertising and business donations.



Jessica Peake, foreground, works on advertising materials for the Roaring 20s Gala.

Participants in the Great Gatsby-themed event will be treated to music, a silent auction, a cash bar, hors d'oeuvres and more – and all for a good cause. The gala is a fundraiser for the University of the Virgin Islands' Caribbean campuses located on the islands of St. Thomas and St. Croix, which were recently devastated by hurricanes Irma and Maria.

UVI serves an economy built on the hospitality industry through its Hospitality and Tourism Management Program – a natural connection to SUNY Broome's own Hospitality Programs, which train students to excel in those industries.



SUNY Broome Event Management students are hard at work planning the Roaring 20s Gala.

auction. Going face-to-face has netted the best results, Nurczynski acknowledged.

Tickets are \$30 each or \$50 per couple. Special room rates are also available in Tioga Downs' spacious new hotel guestrooms! Call (607) 699-3900 for details and use the discount code "SUNY Broome."

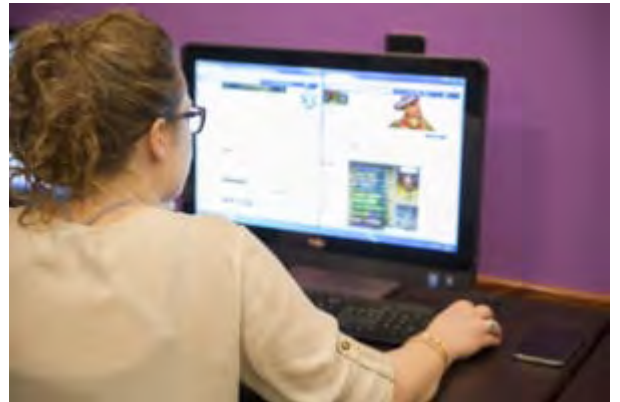
Buy your tickets now at www.sunybroome.edu/1920gala.

Putting on a gala takes a great deal of planning on many fronts, from selecting the most tasteful color schemes and floral arrangements, to advertising, food and more.

SUNY Broome's Hospitality Programs students are up to the task and hard at work on the Roaring 20s Gala, which will take place May 9 at Tioga Downs Casino Resort.

They started working on the project during the second week of the semester, said Jessica Peake, a dual major in Event Management and Hotel and Restaurant Management.

"Our ultimate goal is to raise \$5,000," Peake explained as she worked on advertising materials for the event.



A cluster of students in the Event Management class huddled around a computer terminal, weighing their options for floral arrangements. The flowers need to coordinate with the event's colors: SUNY Broome black and gold, offset by a deep crimson.

"We have an idea of what we want," said Dakota Radakovich, also a dual major in Event Management and Hotel and Restaurant Management. "Burgundy dahlias, some roses and extra greenery."

In a corner of the Casino Vespa classroom, Event Management major Jessica Nurczynski mulled over sundry gift cards, witty t-shirts and other items donated by local businesses for the silent auction.

"I would actually bid on this myself," she told a classmate, as she looked at a glass jug donated by the Farmhouse Brewery, which is good for a free refill.

The students have spreadsheets of businesses and other organizations they have visited – whether to drop off flyers, or to solicit for donations to the silent

auction. Going face-to-face has netted the best results, Nurczynski acknowledged.

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Buy your tickets now at www.sunybroome.edu/1920gala.

April 19 Common Hour Employer Information Session: ACCO Brands

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Join representatives from ACCO Brands to learn about career opportunities with their company from 11 a.m. to noon April 19 in TH-205.

Current opportunities include maintenance, distribution and manufacturing positions. Engineering Technologies and Engineering Science students are highly encouraged to attend.

Attendance at this event will earn participants one entry into a free KINDLE FIRE drawing. The winner will be drawn on April 27.



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Students to the rescue: Mock Environmental Disaster Event on May 4

April 13, 2018

Buzz

A bus crash that sends a mysterious powder into the air. A stage collapse. Multiple car crashes, and forces of nature. These are just some of the mass-casualty disasters SUNY Broome students have tackled in their annual Mock Environmental Disaster drill, which allows them to hone their skills as first-responders, medical professionals and more.

What will 2018 hold? Find out on Friday, May 4, when our seventh annual Mock Environmental Disaster begins promptly at 2 p.m.

The drill will take place near the Annex Building. **Please be aware that this is a scheduled learning event and there is no emergency.**

Students from programs across campus gain valuable real-life experience in their field of study as they participate in the mock environmental exposure disaster. Departments involved in the effort include Medical Assisting, Nursing, Health Information Technology, Radiologic Technology, Physical Therapist Assistant, Dental Hygiene, Clinical Laboratory Technologies, Criminal Justice and Emergency Services, Communications, Hospitality, Business Information Technology, Special Events and Productions, Office of Marketing & Communications, Public Safety and Chemistry.

Members of the community who participate in the event include, but are not limited to Chenango Fire, Tioga County Health Department, and the Broome Ambulance.

As in previous years, the mock disaster event will involve multiple victims. Students must care for these victims using skills and knowledge learned in their respective programs. Faculty will monitor the activity providing feedback as necessary.

Students will find out what disaster awaits them on the day of the event, in order to learn how to manage a scene without prior knowledge or details.

For more information contact **Erin O'Hara-Leslie**, Chairperson Medical Assisting & Health Studies, (607) 778-5495.



Faces of EOP: A Celebration of 50 Years of Success! Meet Edward, EOP student

April 13, 2018
Featured News



Edward Jose Marte Rosario

EOP is a statewide program celebrating its 50th year of existence. The program has impacted the lives of thousands of students who, had it not been for EOP, would not have had access to institutions of higher education.

SUNY Broome EOP currently serves 83 students. The program provides a support system to students who are academically and economically disadvantaged. EOP students are among some of the most resilient students on any campus and ours is no exception. As a way of honoring our history, we have decided to highlight current EOP students by bringing you their stories and their thoughts and reflections about the ways the program has impacted their time here in their own words.



Edward Jose Marte Rosario

Edward Jose Marte Rosario is an Individual Studies Liberal Arts major in his second semester here at SUNY Broome. Here is his story:

I moved from the Dominican Republic to Binghamton five years ago. My entire family still lives in DR. I attended and graduated from Binghamton High School. Before going to Binghamton High School, I was going to the American Civic Association for ESL classes. I was 16 years old and I was taking classes with adults. I was advised to take ESL classes and then take my GED.

I came to this country to make a better life and wanted an opportunity at a better education, so I decided that I was going to work very hard to learn English and then attend high school to earn my Regents diploma. The Binghamton Boys and Girls Club helped a lot because it gave me the opportunity to interact with kids my age. I am grateful that they opened that door for me because that is my second home. I accomplished my goal and graduated from Binghamton High School with my Regent's diploma. I am now here at SUNY Broome.

I am the only one from my family that is in college. I want to make my family proud. I want to make a better life not only for me but to make a better life for my mom. Even though she lives far away, my mom always calls me and is a great source of encouragement and support as I continue my education.

My goal is to graduate from SUNY Broome and be able to attend a four-year school so that I can give back to my community. I want to help other people. My goal is to become a counselor and work with immigrants to help their transition into the U.S. My experience was made a little easier because I learned how to speak a little bit of English from the American Civic Association classes before I went into the high school, but not everyone has that and it is not fair for those students to be thrown into a situation where they are attending school in an English-only setting. So my hope is to support people in that situation.

My first day of college, I met an international student from Mexico. I volunteered to assist them with getting to know the area. I wanted to make sure that they had what they needed. I was there to support them throughout their time here in Binghamton. For me, that was a great experience because I want to help people and that experience helped me to know that I am on the right track as a Liberal Arts major. I have also been hired as a tutor for Spanish and I am only in my second semester, so this makes me proud. In my first semester, I also became a Student Assembly Senator and I am a Student Ambassador for the Admissions Department, a member of the Leadership Honor Society and a proud EOP student.

One of the challenges that I face is time management. I work two jobs and so juggling work, school and life can be challenging at times. Even though this is a challenge, my EOP Counselor is always there to help me with my needs. I have also had the benefit of meeting other staff members who believe in my ability to graduate and have a better life... This is important! I feel welcomed here at SUNY Broome because I have been able to make friends with students from diverse backgrounds and we are very supportive of each other.

I am honored that I am an EOP student. The Summer Program helped me to understand the college better and helped me to understand the next steps. I met people from diverse backgrounds, I got to know the campus, I got to meet different staff members that are willing to support the students. We learned about time management; we also learned how to communicate with each other and

listen to one another, because we all know that we come from different backgrounds and communication can be hard. Not everyone reacts to things the same and we all have different circumstances; we also learned the importance of being punctual.

We learned that we are a family and that we have to support each other. The EOP is a great program because the counselors are there to support us and make sure that we have what we need. I also recommend EOP to other students because I want other students who face challenges in college to have the same support that I have. I am proud that I am an EOP student because it will help me do well in college.



Buzz Photos: Hornets Run the Hill

April 13, 2018
Featured News



A SUNY Broome student competes in Hornets Run the Hill.



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Law enforcement recruits and members of the SUNY Broome community ran through the campus, up a steep hill behind the Broome County Sheriff's Office and then through an obstacle course for the first Hornets Run the Hill event on April 13.

Fifteen SUNY Broome students, faculty and staff members competed, along with 37 recruits from the neighboring law enforcement academy — many of them SUNY Broome graduates — and County Executive Jason Garnar, who laced up his sneakers for the run. Assisting were seven volunteers from CJESSA, three from the Hospitality Programs Club and multiple individuals from the law enforcement academy.



Participants swung on the monkey bars, surmounted walls and ladders, and navigated giant tires and more during the course of the run. All proceeds from the event benefited the Wes Warren Scholarship fund.

This event was sponsored by the Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Student Association in collaboration with the Broome County Sheriff Regional Law Enforcement Academy, with special thanks to the Hospitality Programs Club and Public Safety for assisting with the event.



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Share your talent: Spoken Word Open Mic Night on April 20

April 15, 2018
Buzz



Join SUNY Broome's Creative Writing Club for a Spoken Word Open Mic Night at 7 p.m. Friday, April 20, in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre, located in the Student Center.

The cost is \$1 at the door. If you're interested in performing, please email ccreativewritingclub@gmail.com.



Mark your calendar: Convocation Day 2018 is on April 17

April 15, 2018
Buzz



Christopher Chabris

For a quick link to the schedule of Convocation Day events, including the keynote address and Q & A session led by Dr. Chabris, musical performances, a student-prepared cash lunch, the Undergraduate Research Symposium poster session, afternoon workshops, and documentary film screening, go to: <http://www3.sunybroome.edu/convocation/schedule-of-activities/>



Christopher Chabris

evening classes will be held.

Convocation 2018 will focus on important and relevant themes such as the role attention plays in police-civilian encounters, the problems with eye-witness testimony and memory, the ways in which talented medical experts and pilots may miss what is right in front of them and how our belief in the power of confidence shapes our selection of leaders.

More Details Regarding *The Invisible Gorilla*:

Reading this book will make you *less* sure of yourself-and that's a good thing. In *The Invisible Gorilla*, we use a wide assortment of stories and counter intuitive scientific findings to reveal an important truth: Our minds don't work the way we think they do. We think we see ourselves and the world as they really are, but we're actually missing a whole lot.

We combine the work of other researchers with our own findings on attention, perception, memory, and reasoning to reveal how faulty intuitions often get us into trouble. In the process, we explain:

- Why a company would spend billions to launch a product that its own analysts know will fail
- How a police officer could run right past a brutal assault without seeing it
- Why award-winning movies are full of editing mistakes
- What criminals have in common with chess masters
- Why measles and other childhood diseases are making a comeback
- Why money managers could learn a lot from weather forecasters

Again and again, we think we experience and understand the world as it is, but our thoughts are beset by everyday illusions. We write traffic laws and build criminal cases on the assumption that people will notice when something unusual happens right in front of them. We're sure we know where we were on 9/11, falsely believing that vivid memories are seared into our mind with perfect fidelity. And as a society, we spend billions on devices to train our brains because we're continually tempted by the lure of quick fixes and effortless self-improvement.

The Invisible Gorilla reveals the numerous ways that our intuitions can deceive us, but it's more than a catalog of human failings. In the book, we also explain why people succumb to these everyday illusions and what we can do to inoculate ourselves against their effects. In short, we try to give you a sort of "x-ray vision" into your own minds, with the ultimate goal of helping you notice the invisible gorillas in your own life.

<http://www.theinvisiblegorilla.com/overview.html>



Who Are the Current Members of SUNY Broome's Convocation Committee?

SUNY Broome's Convocation Committee is a cross-divisional effort with student representation under the aegis of the Liberal Arts Division,
Dr. Michael Kinney, Dean and Associate Vice-President.

Professor Irene Byrnes (Chair)

Professor Carla Michalak, Liberal Arts Division

Professor Anne Haner-Uncapher, Health Sciences Division

Dr. Victor Larmoureux, Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics Division

Associate Librarian Amanda Hollister, Library

Professor Gian Roma, Business and Professional Studies Division

Dr. Virginia Shirley, Liberal Arts Division

Orion Barber, Student Assembly



PTA Club to host Superhero 5K on April 21

April 15, 2018
Buzz



Please come out and support the SUNY Broome PTA Club as they hold their 3rd annual 5K race at the Vestal Coal House on April 21, 2018. Come dressed as your favorite superhero!

The race start time is 10 a.m. Please see flyer attached. There is a \$3 service charge to register on line, so you are welcome to fill out the attached registration form and submit it to Julianne Klepfer Decker 128 MS #40 with your registration fee.

Suny Broome Pta 5k Reg Form 2018825 (PDF) Suny Broome Pta 5k Flyer 2018coal House (PDF) Pta 5k (PDF)



Spring Theater Production: 'Short & Sweet' on April 26 and 27

April 15, 2018
Buzz



John Patrick Shanley



John Patrick Shanley

SUNY Broome Theater announces its spring production of “Short & Sweet: Mini plays on Family, Friends & Love from *Welcome to the Moon & Marcus Is Walking*.” Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. April 26 and 27 at the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre in the Student Center.

“We are proud to be presenting these short but enchanting pieces of work by John Patrick Shanley and Joan Ackermann,” said Theater director Katherine Bacon. “*Welcome to the Moon* is John Patrick Shanley’s celebration of love in all its forms and Joan Ackermann’s *Marcus Is Walking* explores lighthearted family relationships that happen in an automobile!”

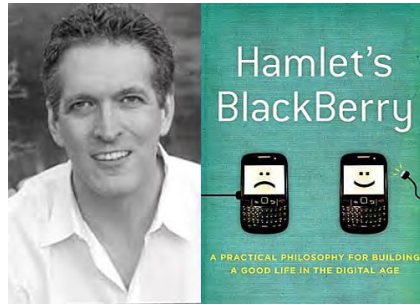
John Patrick Shanley’s film *Moonstruck* won an Academy Award in 1988 and his play *Doubt: A Parable* won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama and the Tony Award for Best Play and was also made into a film starring Meryl Streep and Viola Davis who were nominated for Oscars for the film. Mark your calendars for this wonderful and entertaining evening of dramatic works by these celebrated writers.



April 19 event: Keeping Sane in an Over-Connected World

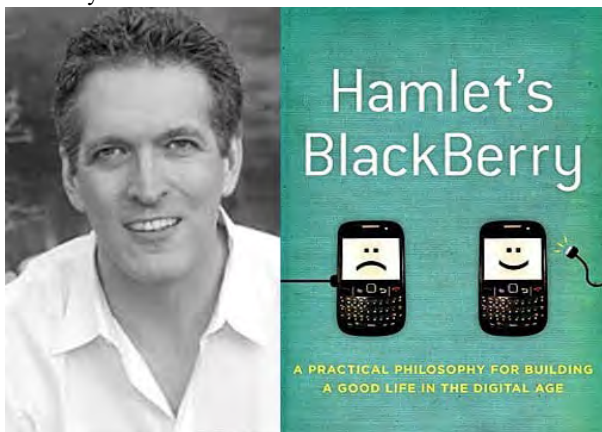
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Please join us from 12 to 1:15 p.m. Thursday, April 19, in Titchener Hall Room 102 for a video-conference discussion with nationally-known author, journalist and technologist William Powers. He will be discussing his *New York Times* bestselling book *Hamlet's BlackBerry: A Practical Philosophy for Building a Good Life in the Digital Age*. The discussion will be moderated by Communications Department Instructor Nick Bongiorno.

Powers is a former journalist for *The Washington Post* and was initially a researcher for Bob Woodward in the investigative unit. His writing on media-related issues has appeared in *The Atlantic*, *The New York Times* and many other publications. He is currently a researcher at MIT Media Lab's Laboratory for Social Machines.



Your Voice Matters for students on April 19

April 15, 2018

Buzz

Join us for the student edition of Your Voice Matters from 11 a.m. to noon April 19 in AT 200.

This is a forum for students to express concerns and make suggestions about major issues that affect our campus. There will be the option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the Shared Governance website prior to the forum. Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.



Save the Date: SUNY Broome MLK Jr. Job Fair will be held April 26

April 15, 2018
Buzz



In partnership with the New York State Department of Labor, the 2018 SUNY Broome MLK Jr. Job Fair will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 26, 2018, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center.

The event is free for job seekers. All employers on hand will have job opportunities available and are eager to meet qualified candidates.

All students are highly encouraged to attend this event — both first-year students and those about to graduate. Visit the Applied Learning and Career Center to develop your resume and practice your elevator speech before the Job Fair. Schedule an appointment by visiting www.sunybroome.edu/careercenter.



Support the 2018 Southern Tier Oral Cancer Walk/Run for Awareness

April 15, 2018

Buzz

The Oral Cancer Foundation's Southern Tier Oral Cancer Walk/Run for Awareness will be held on Sunday, April 29, at Otsiningo Park in Binghamton. Check-in begins at 8 a.m. and the walk/run begins at 10 a.m.

The SUNY Broome Dental Hygiene Senior Class will be volunteering at the event. If you would like to support the class or come walk/run with us, you can register online at: <https://donate.oralcancer.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.team&teamID=7721>

Please email Meghan McGuinness (mcguinnessma@sunybroome.edu) with any questions. Thank you!



The Monday Poem: 'The Hymn of a Fat Woman' by Joyce Huff

April 15, 2018
Buzz

The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Jim Gormley of the English Department. Enjoy!

The Hymn of a Fat Woman

All of the saints starved themselves.
Not a single fat one.
The words "deity" and "diet" must have come from the same
Latin root.

Those saints must have been thin as knucklebones
or shards of stained
glass or Christ carved
on his cross.

Hard
as pew seats. Brittle
as hair shirts. Women
made from bone, like the ribs that protrude from his wasted
wooden chest. Women consumed
by fervor.

They must have been able to walk three or four abreast
down that straight and oh-so-narrow path.
They must have slipped with ease through the eye
of the needle, leaving the weighty
camels stranded at the city gate.

Within that spare city's walls,
I do not think I would find anyone like me.

I imagine I will find my kind outside
lolling in the garden
munching on the apples.

—Joyce Huff

About the Poet

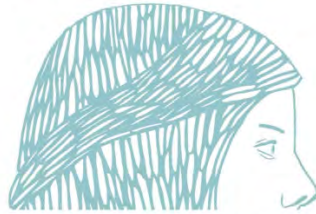
Joyce Huff is a poet from Muncie, Indiana. She is a professor of English at Ball State University. Her current book project, *Conspicuous Consumptions: Fat in Nineteenth-Century British Literature and Culture*, traces some of the roots of twenty-first-century attitudes toward fatness. She is on the editorial board of the journal *Fat Studies*. "The Hymn of a Fat Woman" was selected for the Library of Congress's Poetry 180 Project.



Want to self-publish? Learn more April 20

April 15, 2018
Buzz

Wild thoughts



M. PAULA CH.

The cover of Maria Chapero's book of poetry.

Speakers of the House, SUNY Broome's chapter of Toastmasters, has invited student poet Maria Paula Chapero to read her poetry and to talk about the process of self publishing at 3 p.m. April 20 in Wales 203B. There will also be an open mic for other students to share their poetry. Refreshments will be served.

Wild thoughts



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April 19 Common Hour on Healthy & Safe Sex

April 15, 2018
Buzz



Want to know what is going to make all of your sexual interactions the most fulfilling and the most fun for all involved? Join campus liaison Haley Murphy from Crime Victims Assistance Center and educator Abby Terry from Mothers & Babies at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 19, in Decker 201 as they discuss how to have healthy and safe sex.



Celebrate the planet: Earth Fest to be held April 29

April 15, 2018

Buzz

Celebrate the richness and beauty of our planet at Earth Fest, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 29, in SUNY Broome's Baldwin Gym, located in the Student Center. Admission is \$1 or a donation to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse.

Earth Day Southern Tier is proud to be again partnering with SUNY Broome, the Binghamton Zoo at Ross Park, and the Roberson Museum and Science Center. There will be vendors, music, food, magic shows, hands-on children's activities, crafts, demonstrations and give-a-ways. The event also features a River Trails Bike Cruise organized by the Southern Tier Bike Club.

The SUNY Broome Ecology Club will be operating a book exchange and clothing recycling drop-off program during the event. Fuel-efficient cars will also be on display.



Learn about RN to BSN programs at a April 20 info session

April 15, 2018

Buzz

Join Excelsior College and SUNY Empire College representatives for a RN to BSN Information Session from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, in Decker Health Sciences Building Room 201 on the SUNY Broome campus.

Learn about the expectations of upper level nursing courses, clinical requirements and how nurses working full-time fit these paths into their lives.

RSVP at <http://bit.ly/BPPnursing18> to be entered into raffles. RSVPs prior to April 6 will be given extra tickets!

You must attend the event to win.

For more information, contact Terri Fadden at faddenta@sunybroome.edu.

Rnbsn Event 1



April 25 film screening: 'The Magdalene Sisters'

April 15, 2018
Buzz



Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 2002 Irish film "The Magdalene Sisters," directed by Peter Mullan.

Three young Irish women struggle to maintain their spirits while they endure dehumanizing abuse as inmates of a Magdalene asylum, a home for sinful women.

Part of PTK's International Film Series, the film starts at 7 p.m. April 25 in TH 101.



From the Desk of the President: Tragic news from our sister SUNY university

April 16, 2018

Buzz

In the wake of the tragic death of a Binghamton University student last evening, our campus community sends its deepest condolences to the student's family and friends and all those at Binghamton University who were impacted by the fatal stabbing in one of its residence halls.

Windham Hall, where the incident took place, is in a residential community shared by many of our Binghamton Advantage Program students. Two of our BAP students were very close to the deceased while others knew him as a resident of their hall.

Binghamton University has canceled its classes today in the wake of this senseless tragedy and we ask you to please be sensitive to any BAP student's needs at this trying time.

We encourage any student who needs support to contact our Counseling Services or services at BU. Our Counseling Office is located in Student Services Room 210. Students can stop in to make an appointment or call 778-5210.

Once again, our deepest sympathies go out to all those impacted by this terrible tragedy.

Thank you,

Kevin E Drumm, PhD

President

SUNY Broome Community College



Million Dollar Antique Show at the Ice Center April 20-22

April 16, 2018
Buzz



The Binghamton Sertoma Club's 36th annual Million Dollar Antique Show will be held at the SUNY Broome Ice Center from 5 to 8 p.m. April 20, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 21 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 22.

Net proceeds will benefit local individuals and organizations. Dozens of Antique Dealers will be selling their wares.

Admission is \$7 for Saturday or Sunday, or pay \$10 for all three days. Free workshops will run from 12 to 5 p.m. April 21 and a free antique appraisal clinic from 12 to 3 p.m. April 22.

For more information, visit www.binghamtonsertoma.org.

[Antique Show Flyer \(PDF\)](#)



SUNY Broome job fair to feature 84 employers

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This year's Martin Luther King Jr. Job Fair at SUNY Broome will feature 84 employers in a wide range of fields from across the Southern Tier – and the number keeps rising! The annual event, held in partnership with the Department of Labor, runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center.

All students, alumni and community members who are in search of employment are welcome and encouraged to attend. Job-seekers are encouraged to bring multiple copies of their résumé, and are welcome to stop by the campus' Applied Learning & Career Center to prepare for the job fair.

Employers have either current or anticipated job openings. Companies and organizations scheduled to attend the event include:

- Atkore International
- AXA Advisors
- BAE Systems
- Best Buy Distribution Center
- Binghamton Adult Education
- Binghamton Police Department
- Bridgewater Rehab and Nursing Center
- Broome County Government Security Division
- Broome County Sheriff's Office
- Broome-Tioga BOCES
- CFE Inc.

- Charter Communications
- Chemung Canal Trust Company
- Cleaner's Supply, Inc.
- Colonial Voluntary Benefits – Southern Tier
- Community Options New York, Inc.
- Cooperstown Dreams Park, Inc.
- D&R Technical Solutions, Inc.
- Express Employment Professionals
- Express Mart
- Family Enrichment Network
- Fastenal Company
- Finger Lakes Residential Center
- GMR Marketing
- Good Shepherd Village
- Greater Binghamton Health Center
- Guthrie
- Handicapped Children's Association
- Jim Rollo Insurance and Financial Services
- JM Murray
- Keller Williams Greater Binghamton
- Kendal at Ithaca
- Laboratory Alliance of Central New York, LLC
- Maines Paper & Food Service, Inc.
- Manpower US Inc. – Vestal
- McFarland-Johnson, Inc.
- Mirabito Holdings, Inc.
- Modern Marketing Concepts, Inc.



- Nationwide Credit/Altisource
- New York Army National Guard
- Nine Energy Service
- Nurse Connection Staffing
- Oneonta Job Corps Academy
- Opportunities for Broome
- Pathways, Inc.
- Profit Rhino
- SAGE Truck Driving School
- SaveAround
- Security Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York
- Southern Tier Independence Center
- Springbrook
- Stafkings
- Stafkings Healthcare
- STCR Inc.
- SUNY Broome Office of Public Safety
- Susquehanna Care Corp.
- Susquehanna Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
- Taylor garbage Services Inc.
- TeamWorld, Inc.
- The Family & Children's Society, Inc.
- The Raymond Corporation
- Tioga Downs Casino
- Tioga State Bank
- S. Customs and Border Protection
- UHS Home Care
- UHS Hospitals
- UHS Senior Living at Ideal
- Unified Court System – 6th Judicial District
- United Healthcare
- United Methodist Homes
- United Way of Broome County
- Vestal Asphalt Inc.
- Visions Federal Credit Union
- WBNG-TV
- WillowRun Foods
- YMCA of Broome County

For more information, visit www.sunybroome.edu/job-fair. For questions, please contact Gina Chase at chasegm@sunybroome.edu.



Convocation Day Dining Services

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For Convocation Day on Tuesday, April 17, the main café will be open regular hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., accepting meal plans, cash, credit, flex and Buzz Bucks. The Titchener Coffee Shop will be closed, and will reopen on Wednesday, April 18, at 7 a.m.



Health and Safety update on the bedbug situation

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Public Safety has received a report concerning bedbugs in the Digital Lounge and Commons. As a result, they made the decision on April 16 to promptly shut down the DLC and arrange for an exterminator to inspect and, if necessary, treat the room.

Please note that the exterminator, in previous visits to campus, informed us that bedbugs are often hitchhikers, coming in to campus with individuals. Because of this, there is no preventative that can be applied.

What are bedbugs?

Bedbugs are a small, flat, parasitic insect. They feed on blood, but aren't known to spread disease. They are more of an annoyance. Bites may or may not be noticeable; however, an allergic reaction may occur in some people. If this occurs, seek treatment.

Infestations usually occur where people sleep and bugs tend to live within 8 feet. During the day, they hide in mattresses, box springs, bed frames, headboards, dresser tables, inside cracks or crevices, behind wallpaper, or any other clutter or objects around a bed.

Signs and symptoms of an infestation include:

- bite marks on the body (may not appear for one or more days if at all, but the marks would be similar to a mosquito or flea – a slightly swollen and red area that may itch)

- exoskeletons after molting
- live bugs in the fold of mattresses and sheets
- rusty-colored blood spots
- a sweet, musty odor

To avoid bedbugs, always check seams and folds of luggage, overnight bags, folded clothes, bedding, furniture and anywhere else where they can hide. If you suspect that you have an infestation, get help from a professional pest control company that is experienced with treating bedbugs. If you are bitten, you can apply antiseptic creams or lotions and take an antihistamine.

For more information on bedbugs, visit the Center for Disease Control website at <https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/bedbugs/>. Facilities and Public Safety will remain vigilant and address situations as they occur. Please notify Public Safety immediately if you become aware of the presence of a bedbug.



April 19 Common Hour: Diversity Discussions

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At 11 a.m. April 19 in T-102, join our panelists, campus leaders in diversity matters, for a discussion of some of the important diversity issues relevant to your campus experience and your future work experience.

Discuss how to demonstrate awareness of the expanding diversity in the workforce, and how sexual harassment is an issue of growing concern among companies concerned about the safety of the work environment as well as the legal exposure that unsafe workplaces create.



April 24 deliberation: Fixing the opioid crisis

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Join us at 11 a.m. April 24 in T-209 for a public deliberation on fixing the opioid crisis. This deliberation will look at the current drug epidemic raging through the nation. Issue guides are available at the garnar Center for Civic Engagement, located in Old Science Building Room 104.



Counseling Services available for students who need support

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In the wake of the recent tragic event at Binghamton University, we encourage any student who needs support to contact Counseling Services, located in Student Services Room 210. Students can stop in to make an appointment or call 778-5210.



Celebration of Life for Joseph Croteau on April 24

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Joseph Croteau

Please join us in a Celebration of Life event as we remember our friend and colleague, Joseph Croteau.

We will gather from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, in the SUNY Broome Art Gallery, located on the main floor of the Library. We encourage you to bring your stories of encounters/interactions with Joe, whether they be humorous, encouraging, thoughtful or emotional.

Those wishing to share a song, thoughts, or stories with all in attendance are welcome to take the floor. Light refreshments will be provided through the generosity of the ASL Club (American Sign Language Club).



Joseph Croteau



Can't boil water? Here is the cooking class you need!

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American Dining Creations is excited to introduce the first installment of their Chef Education Series at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, in the Student Village classroom.

This will be the first of a series of cooking classes hosted by Chef Peter Gilligan. The first class of the series, “How to Boil Water,” will focus on basic cooking techniques and recipes that will use inexpensive ingredients and basic equipment that is available in the Student Village suites. Students will participate in creating several dishes, and will be provided with recipe cards for those and other recipes they can tackle back in their suites.

The first class will be open to 12 participants, all of whom will receive a gift bag and be eligible for a door prize, not to mention the opportunity to enjoy their creations — all at no cost!

Students can sign up via the American Dining Creations Facebook page, by e-mailing kmaurer@afvusa.com, or calling office at 607-778-5140. There are only 12 spots, so register soon.



Deadline approaching: NYS Part-time Scholarship Award Application is now available

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The New York State Part Time Scholarship for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 is now open. (Currently enrolled part-time students should apply for both the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 years).

Please note that the application deadline for the 2017-2018 school year is April 27, 2018. The deadline for the 2018-2019 school year is July 27, 2018.

In order to apply, students must meet eligibility requirements, including:

- be a resident of New York State and have resided in New York State for 12 continuous months prior to the beginning of the term;
- be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen;
- have graduated from high school in the United States, earned a high school equivalency diploma, or passed a federally approved "Ability to Benefit" test as defined by the Commissioner of the State Education Department;
- be matriculated in an approved undergraduate program at a SUNY or CUNY community college;
- be enrolled in at least six but less than 12 credits per term;
- maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher;
- be in a non-default status on a student loan made under any NYS or federal education loan program or repayment of any NYS award; and
- be in compliance with the terms of any service condition imposed by a NYS award.

To complete the application, you will need:

- Your transcript for the term prior to fall 2017, spring 2018 or fall 2018.

More information can be found at [NYS Part-time Scholarship \(PTS\) Award Program](#).



Convocation 2018 Online Keynote Address Notice

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Christopher Chabris

Starting April 24, 2018, per MARCOM, members of the campus community will be able to view the April 17, 2018, Convocation Day keynote address by Dr. Chris Chabris, cognitive psychologist and the author of *The Invisible Gorilla: How Our Intuitions Deceive Us*.

The link will be sent to the campus community on April 24, 2018. This is a great opportunity to see the speech if you missed it, or to watch a great talk again.

The video will be taken down by MARCOM on May 8, 2018, at 4 p.m.



Christopher Chabris



The Gorilla in the Room: Convocation Day speaker explores how our minds deceive us

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Professor Gian Roma and Dr. Christopher Chabris during the Convocation Day question and answer session



Dr. Christopher Chabris gives the 2018 Convocation Day lecture

Michael Cox and Kenny Conley, who were involved in a pursuit of suspects who fled a stolen car and scaled a fence. Cox, a plain-clothes officer and an African-American, was mistaken for one of the perpetrators by his fellow officers, who severely beat him and then fled the scene once they realized what they had done.

Conley, a uniformed officer, responded at the same time, pursuing the actual suspect over a fence and making the arrest. Accused of covering up the assault, Conley said he never saw his fellow officers beating Cox. A jury didn't believe him and Conley was convicted of perjury and obstruction of justice, fired from the force and sentence to 34 months in prison. 🐼

The Boston case is an example of "inattention blindness." Paying attention closely to one thing, we often fail to notice others – even when they are obvious or we're looking right at them, Chabris explained.

Have you ever surfed the web while listening to your professor in class, or answered a text message while behind the wheel?

Common sense tells us that multitasking is real, even preferable; efficient people, we reason, should be able to do two things at once. We build our environments based on this assumption, such as the multiple computer terminals of a stock trading floor, or the many devices surrounding an operating table.

One problem: Common sense is utterly wrong, as the many Internet videos of people walking while texting can show you – and the inevitable ignominious end in a fountain, body of water or open manhole. Less humorous are the police reports of serious and even fatal accidents of drivers who thought they could text and drive at the same time.

"We don't have enough mental resources to do multiple tasks at once, and when we do, we perform worse than if we do one task at a time," explained Dr. Christopher Chabris, the 2018 Convocation Day keynote speaker.

The invisible gorilla

A cognitive psychologist and researcher, Chabris is the co-author of the best-selling book, *The Invisible Gorilla: How Our Intuitions Deceive Us*.

He began his lecture with the tale of two Boston police officers,



Professor Gian Roma and Dr. Christopher Chabris during the Convocation Day question and answer session

One popular experiment asks participants to watch a video of people bouncing and passing basketballs, asking them to count the number of passes made by the people in white shirts. Invariably, they end up missing the gorilla walking behind them and thumping its chest on the screen – the invisible gorilla of Chabris’ book.

And it’s not just a product of today’s technology-inundated environment, or solely an American problem. People in South Korea missed the gorilla, as did Hadza hunter-gatherers in Africa.

“Inattentive blindness is part of the way all human minds work,” Chabris explained. “Attention is a limited, zero-sum resource.”

Our expectations also play a major role in what we see – and what we don’t, in the case of the gorilla. Another factor is “change blindness” – our inability to recognize changes in our visual field when we are not paying attention.

Playing into both concepts is also the “illusion of attention,” the belief that we pay attention to and notice more than we actually do, and the “illusion of memory,” the mistaken belief that our memories are more complete, objective and biased than they actually are.

“When we recall a memory, we combine different elements that go together into a coherent story,” he explained.

Sometimes, however, those stories are obviously wrong – such as President Donald Trump’s “memory” of thousands of people in Jersey City cheering the fall of the World Trade Center on 9/11, or Hillary Clinton on the 2008 campaign trail recounting a visit to Bosnia in a hail of bullets when she was First Lady. (Neither happened, as evidenced by news reports of the respective days’ events.)

In short, memories reconstruct what we *expect* to have seen or experienced, and are subject to distortion whenever we recall them and potentially mix them with new influences. Memories from traumatic events – considered by many to be inalterable – are not immune to this.

Taken as a whole, inattentive blindness, change blindness and the illusions of memory and attention are good explanations of why eyewitness testimony can be wrong – such as in the case of Officer Conley.



SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm welcomes Dr. Christopher Chabris during Convocation Day correlation,” when you believe that two things go together without evidence. This concept underlies such popular books as *The Secret*, which claims that we manifest our thoughts, a repackaging of the power of positive thinking. To remedy this illusion, Chabris suggests using the fourfold table: looking at not only when two phenomena correlate, but all the times they don’t.

Exonerating Officer Conley

While he was teaching at Union College, Chabris had his students put inattentive blindness to the test by conducting an experiment. The students were asked to jog 30 feet behind another runner, counting how many times she touched her head. Along the way, another group of students would be engaged in a brawl behind a fraternity house.

The experiment was designed to mimic as much as possible the conditions of the Conley case. Could the officer have missed the beating that occurred right in front of him?

The answer was yes. During nighttime, which is when the Conley incident occurred, only about a third saw the fight. In broad daylight, that number rose to 40 percent. No one stopped to intervene.

Officer Conley did, in fact, appeal and was granted a new trial nine years later after it turned out that one of the eyewitnesses was using hypnotically enhanced memory and didn’t disclose that to the jury. He was ultimately exonerated and returned to the Boston police force as a rookie, working his way up to detective and then sergeant. Michael Cox remained on the force as well, working his way up to deputy Superintendent.

More illusions

Other types of illusion also affect our outlook. “The illusion of competence” makes us more likely to overestimate our abilities – and the less capable we are, the less we are aware of it. In a discussion following the main lecture, Chabris described his diagnosis of Lyme Disease during graduate school, in which he saw a physician consult reference books to confirm whether the rash met the parameters of Lyme.

It did, as it happens. Many people, however, would view such a physician more negatively than one who confidently diagnoses a problem without double-checking – even though the former might be doing the job more effectively.

There is also “illusory correlation,” when you believe that two things go together without evidence. This concept underlies such popular books as *The Secret*, which claims that we manifest our thoughts, a repackaging of the power of positive thinking. To remedy this illusion, Chabris suggests using the fourfold table:



Student Orion Barber welcomes the campus community to Convocation Day

Knowing such concepts as inattentional and change blindness, the illusions of confidence, memory and attention, and illusory correlation can help people become better decision-makers, Chabris said. While we cannot eliminate these tricks of the mind, we can learn to account for them.

“The first step in making better decisions is to keep in mind the limitations of how the human mind works,” he said. “It’s very counter-intuitive to think that something can be right in front of you, you set your eyes on it and you don’t see it,” he added during the question and answer session.



Student Elijah Summers performs during Convocation Day

Other Convocation Day events

Dr. Chabris’ discussion provided a springboard for multiple Convocation Day events. Dr. Steve Call led a discussion of “Intuition, Strategy and Warfare: A Deadly Mix,” while Criminal Justice Professor Darin Schmidt examined how the concepts Chabris presented relate to criminal trials. Nursing Professors Denisa Talovic and Julie Richards were joined by first-year Nursing students in the discussion of medical errors, while Professor Kennie Leet discussed the illusion of confidence in relation to the case of Kate Mastrosova, who died while hiking in New Hampshire’s White Mountains.

Professor Doug Garnar and student Orion Barber led a “public voice” style conversation on “Democracy: The Great Illusion?” while Professors Tim Skinner and Ed Evans held a film screening of “Nova – Memory Hackers.”

Additionally, student singer-songwriter Elijah Summers delighted the audience during two performances of his music, and student researchers shared their work during a poster session. The Hospitality Club provided lunchtime fare, and the campus community had the opportunity to learn about a variety of different groups and identities during the annual “Ask!” event.



On-campus construction for the week of April 16, 2018

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- Removal of the remaining 9" x 9" asbestos tile in the Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center will begin within the next week. This work will take approximately two weeks to complete.
- A second landscaping crew will be on site to help accelerate implementation of the project's overall landscaping plan (including sidewalk removal/paver installation).
- Painting will begin in the Connector area between Calice and Business (to be completed before installation of the terrazzo flooring).
- Construction of the east exterior wall (in the Connector) will begin this week.
- The ceiling grid on the second floor has been completed.
- Painting (first coat) on the first floor is nearing completion.
- Inspection of the elevator shaft is scheduled for this week.

As always, if anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact David Ligeikis at 607-765-9710.



Author Edwin Black discuss 'Journalism in the Age of Misinformation' on April 26

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Edwin Black



Edwin Black

Please join us at 12 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in Titchener Hall Room 102 for an in-person discussion with award-winning, internationally acclaimed journalist Edwin Black, author of *IBM and the Holocaust* and *War against the Weak*.

His on-campus lecture is entitled "Journalism in the Age of Misinformation: A Session for Journalism Students, Film Documentarians and Historians," and will include an introduction by Communications & Media Arts Department instructor Nick Bongiorno.

The event is sponsored by SUNY Broome Communications and HPSS Departments in association with the Binghamton University Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention, Department of Sociology, BUZO, StandWithUs, Israeli-American Council, American Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists, and CAMERA on Campus.



Taking flight: Young Hornet earns two degrees and starts businesses – before the age of 18

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Johannes Nightingale



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This May, Johannes Nightingale is earning two Associate's degrees – one in Liberal Arts Individual Studies from SUNY Broome and another in Liberal Arts from Berkshire Community College in Massachusetts, where he now lives.

He's taking a gap year before pursuing the final two years of his bachelor's degree, but is keeping busy – with his three business enterprises, and as a nationally ranked Observed Trials bicyclist. (Well, technically, he's ranked seventh in all of North America.)

Did we mention that he's just 17 years old?

Early college – and early CEO

SUNY Broome students from several years ago may remember a young Hornet in their classes, often accompanied by his mother, Regina Mason. The youngest of five children, Johannes grew up on a farm in Coventry and began attending classes at SUNY Broome in 2013, when he was just 12 years old, through the Early College program.

His first course – at the recommendation of his flute instructor – was music theory. He then took the placement exams required of full-time students, following it up with classes in English, math, computer programming and other core courses, as well as sound engineering. In addition to flute, he also performed with the college's Chorus and the Chamber singers.

He left SUNY Broome in 2015, and studied for a year at Bard College at Simon's Rock in Massachusetts. The academics there weren't the right fit, he said, so then he enrolled in Berkshire Community College, where he focused on engineering design and film and continued to study flute.

He finished his Associate's at SUNY Broome in December and will earn his Associate's at Berkshire this June. In May, he will be at SUNY Broome's Commencement ceremony as one of the Liberal Arts Division's student marshals. Johannes has been the recipient of a Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Young Scholar scholarship since seventh grade, and he just won a JKCF College Scholarship worth up to \$40,000 a year to finish his Bachelor's degree.

He currently runs Johannes Nightingale Productions, a digital media production company that focuses on cinematography, pre- and post-production work and color-grading; projects include commercials and music videos, he said.

In the works is an online store that will sell watches, clothing accessories and other luxury items. Right now, he's also laying the groundwork for an independent record label and records local artists in his own home studio. They come from all genres, from folk and country to hip-hop, rap and rock, he said.

"My goal is to find local artists on a smaller scale and give them a chance to start their careers," he said.

While he is currently applying to four-year schools for a bachelor's degree in business – Bentley University and Babson College are among his picks, and he's already been accepted at the Rochester Institute of Technology – his current businesses are more than just a hobby. Through them, he hopes to lay the groundwork for his ultimate dream: to start and run large-scale companies in industries ranging from media and advertising to technology, e-commerce, transportation and more.

Part of his interest in business is prosaic: "I've always wanted more money," he quipped.

But there's passion, too. "I love creating things, creating new products and helping people through my work," he explained. "Nothing makes me happier than running a company."

Getting his start

Johannes planted the seed in many of his endeavors while he was still a SUNY Broome student. In fact, that's when he took up trials biking as a hobby and it took off from there, leading to competitions and national rankings.

The seeds of his business enterprises – in music, e-commerce and more – also were planted during his Hornet years.

"SUNY Broome was life-changing for me in every way possible," Johannes reflected. "Simply letting someone my age take classes – it made everything after that possible."



Make a Difference: Run for Student Assembly

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Students, get involved in campus and run for Student Assembly! Faculty, encourage your students to get involved.

Petitions for candidacy are being accepted now through April 24, and students may campaign for office April 24 through May 1. Voting runs from May 1 through 4 on the Swarm. Petitions are available from Student Activities or the Student Government office in Old Science Building Room 107.

All positions are up for election.

The Student Assembly gives students representation in the administration of the college. Student Senators help run committees and make sure they represent matters of interest to students. Executive Board members include the President, Trustee, Vice President of Academic Concerns, Vice President of Student Concerns and Vice President of Administrative Concerns. Each position serves and fills a specific role in the Assembly that helps to fulfill its functions.

Make an impact on campus: File your petition and run for office!



Don't miss it: 'Short & Sweet' theater production on April 26 and 27

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From left to right rehearsing "Out West" by John Patrick Shanley are Abdul Siddique, Tiffany Poborsky, Rachail Pomerlee, Mackinaw Shutt and Ben Swensen.



In the mini play "Marcus Is Walking," you can see Ricky Wood as he plays the father driving his son Marcus to his Halloween trick or treat houses. Jialin Tian is playing Marcus.

Join SUNY Broome Theater for its Spring 2018 production of "Short & Sweet: Mini plays on Family, Friends & Love from *Welcome to the Moon* & *Marcus Is Walking*."

The performances will begin at 7:30 p.m. April 26 and 27 in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre in the Student Center. The show ends by 9 p.m.

Welcome to the Moon is John Patrick Shanley's celebration of love in all its forms and Joan Ackermann's *Marcus Is Walking* explores lighthearted family relationships that happen in an automobile.

Don't miss this lighthearted evening of "Short & Sweet" entertainment by great writers of dramatic literature. Reservations can be made by calling 778-5191.



From left to right rehearsing "Out West" by John Patrick Shanley are Abdul Siddique, Tiffany Poborsky, Rachail Pomerlee, Mackinaw Shutt and Ben Swensen.



Interested in politics? Learn about opportunities April 24 at the Political Pizza Party

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Want to learn how you can get academic credit by working for a political party, a candidate running for office this November or for an elected official? Or, maybe you want to work at the polls this November and earn money on Election Day, or join an organization such as Young Republicans and Young Democrats.

Whatever your path, the Political Pizza Party is for you! Numerous political party officials, candidates and representatives will be on hand from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Tuesday, April 24, in T-101 to talk with students. Professor Carla Michalak will also discuss how students can earn credit in her Political Science Internship course.

This annual event is co-sponsored by the college's Student Assembly, the History/Philosophy/Social Sciences Department and the Garnar Center for Civic Engagement. Faculty are asked to encourage their students to attend this event. People with questions should contact Professor Doug Garnar at garnardc@sunybroomed.edu.



SUNY Broome team achieves 157 MPGe at Green Grand Prix and takes home gold

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The SUNY Broome Green Van competes in Autocross.



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converted the lead acid batteries to newer lithium ion batteries. Batteries were donated by BAE- hybrid bus division, as well as Gentherm of California. This year, modifications were focused on instrumentation. Students designed, built, and installed a custom voltage display panel, a custom dash display, a power meter, side view mirror cameras and a GPS.

This instrumentation helped the vehicle calculate a 157MPGe rating, which far exceeded their expectations!



SUNY Broome's Green Van competes in the endurance race at the Green Grand Prix.

SUNY Broome's IEEE student club participated in the Toyota Green Grand Prix at Watkins Glen International Raceway on April 13. The IEEE club successfully reached their goals and took first place in the endurance portion of the event!

The single-day event featured a fuel-efficiency competition for drivers of alternate-fueled vehicles; fully electric, hybrid and traditional gasoline- or diesel-powered vehicles all competed. Individuals, colleges, universities, car clubs and manufacturers were all invited to participate. The day included a 100-mile, two-hour fuel economy event on the 2.45 mile WGI short track, and an Autocross sanctioned by the SCCA.

SUNY Broome's student IEEE club took a broken and retired electric utility van and



The SUNY Broome Green Van competes in Autocross.

Thank you to our sponsors who made this possible: BAE Systems, Raymond Corporation, Gentherm, Redbarn and Hackerthreads.

The winning vehicle will be on display at the SUNY Broome Open House in the Ice Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 28. Students, club chair Assistant Professor Gary DiGiacomo and Donovan McCarty will be on hand to answer questions.

For more information about the event, visit www.greengrandprix.com



Stop procrastinating: Time management workshop on April 25

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The Student Success Squad is holding a time management workshop that is designed to help participants become aware of the stories they tell themselves (such as “I’ll do it later”) that can lead to procrastination and time-crunches.

Take the time to manage your time from 11 a.m. to noon April 25 in LI 004, located on the ground floor of the library.



SUNY Broome won gold in the endurance race of the Green Grand Prix.



Kristen Merlin to perform at Spring Fling Rodeo Roundup on April 26

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Grab your 10-gallon hats: Singer-songwriter Kristen Merlin will perform at this year's Spring Fling Rodeo Roundup on April 26.

The country singer was a semi-finalist on season 6 of NBC "The Voice." She released her first EP "Boomerang" 2015, and has shared the stage with artists such as Shakire and Sugarland.

Spring Fling runs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 26 on the west side of the Student Services Building and will feature a rodeo theme with a mechanical bull, sand art, photo booth and more. Merlin will perform between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.



April 26 Common Hour: The importance of elections in the criminal justice system

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Join Criminal Justice & Emergency Services faculty member Darin Schmidt at 11 a.m. April 26 in T-102 for a discussion of the importance of elections to the criminal justice system.



Mark your calendars: #MeToo founder to speak at SUNY Broome on May 8

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#MeToo founder Tarana Burke



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Join the Women's Institute of SUNY Broome and others for an evening with #MeToo Founder Tarana Burke from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m. May 8 at the Baldwin Gym in the SUNY Broome Student Center. Burke will share the heartbreaking story behind the genesis of the #MeToo movement, while empowering those who have experienced sexual trauma or harassment. On stage, she provides words of empowerment that lift up marginalized voices, enabling survivors of all races, genders and classes to know they are not alone, while creating a place of comfort and healing for those who have experienced trauma.

The #MeToo campaign has emerged as a rallying cry for people who have survived sexual assault and sexual harassment, and its "silence breakers" were named *TIME* magazine's 2017 Person of the Year.

A sexual assault survivor herself, Burke has dedicated more than 25 years of her life to social justice. She currently is working under the banner of the #MeToo movement to assist other survivors and individuals who work to end sexual violence. She is also senior director of programs at the Brooklyn-based nonprofit Girls for Gender Equity.

According to Professor Margherita Rossi, founding member of the Women's Institute, "Sexual harassment and sexual assault happen to so many. We need to listen and act. This is more than a viral moment. Because of the work Tarana Burke has done, we actually have the opportunity to hand our children a different world."

Event co-sponsors include SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm, SUNY Broome's Division of Student Development and Diversity, Student Activities, Student Assembly, President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion, Counseling Services, the Center for Civic Engagement and the Broome Community College Foundation; Binghamton University President Harvey Stenger, BU's Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program, the Binghamton University Center for Civic Engagement and the Student Association of Binghamton University; the Women's Fund of the Community Foundation of Central NY; and Democratic Women of Broome County.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with Burke's presentation to follow at 6:30 p.m. and a Question and Answer session from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. A VIP Reception will follow the program.

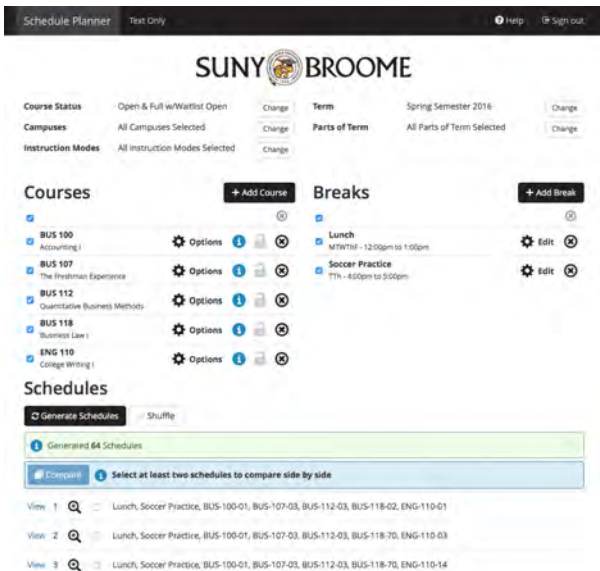
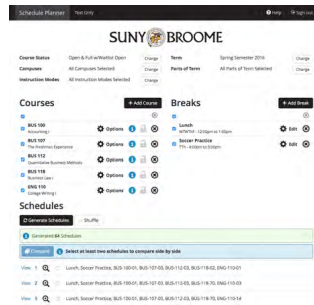
The event is free and open to the public.

The Women's Institute of SUNY Broome Community College exists to advance women's Issues through education, research, and local, state, and national outreach in areas of modern day concerns important to women.



Students: Quickly and easily build your schedule for next semester using Schedule Planner

April 19, 2018
Buzz



Schedule Planner is a simple interface that revolutionizes student schedule planning assisting in selection of preferred classes, blocking off breaks or conflicts, and generating the best possible schedules for registration. Once you've met with your advisor and know what classes you need to take, simply add in your classes, add in breaks for work and other personal needs, and hit "Generate Schedules" to see all your potential schedules that accommodate your needs.

View a short video:

Schedule Planner @ SUNY Broome
<https://youtube.com/watch?v=uniM97evY5w>



How to Access Schedule Planner:

- Log into MyCollege <http://mycollege.sunybroome.edu>
- Click on the "Registration" button in Quicklaunch on the left under "Students."
- Acknowledge the Financial Responsibility Agreement on the screen that comes up and click "Return to Registration."
- Select "Schedule Planner New!!!" from the menu to enter Scheduler Planner.

Features:

Favorite Schedules

Have several schedules but not sure which one you want? Schedule Planner saves a variety of schedules with diverse courses and breaks. When your registration time opens, access the saved schedules from the Favorites tab, import your courses into your MyCollege shopping cart and then follow the steps for enrollment.

Conflict Detection

No schedules generated? Schedule Planner will alert you of the conflict and provides 🛠️ to address the issue.

Class Padding

Need travel time or breaks between classes? Schedule Planner allows you to input the time needed between classes.

Advanced Filters

Need a course to meet a certain attribute or searching for a particular instructor? Schedule Planner's advanced filters allow you to bulk edit sections without having to individually uncheck each section.

For more help with registration, contact your academic advisor.

More Info: www.sunybroome.edu/schedule-planner



***Updated* SUNY Broome job fair to feature 90 employers**

April 19, 2018
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For the third year in the row, SUNY Broome's Martin Luther King Jr. Job Fair has reached its maximum capacity of 90 employers.

While registration has closed for employers, students, alumni and community members are welcome to attend and learn about the wide array of jobs in our region. The annual event, held in partnership with the Department of Labor, runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center.

Job-seekers are encouraged to bring multiple copies of their résumé, and are welcome to stop by the campus' Applied Learning & Career Center to prepare for the job fair.

Employers have either current or anticipated job openings. Companies and organizations scheduled to attend the event include:

- L. George, LLC
- Achieve
- Advance Testing Company, Inc.
- Air Force
- Alorica
- ANS Advanced Network Services
- O. Fox Hospital
- Around the Clock In-Home Care Referrals
- Ascension Lourdes
- Atkore International

- AXA Advisors
- BAE Systems Controls Inc.
- Best Buy Distribution Center
- Binghamton Adult Education
- Binghamton Police Department
- Bridgewater Rehab and Nursing Center
- Broome County Government Security Division
- Broome County Sheriff's Office
- Broome-Tioga BOCES
- Catholic Charities of Broome County
- CFE Inc., an Evans Roofing Company
- Charter Communications
- Chemung Canal Trust Company
- Cleaner's Supply, Inc.
- Colonial Voluntary Benefits – Southern Tier
- Community Options New York, Inc.
- Cooperstown Dreams Park, Inc.
- D&R Technical Solutions, Inc.
- Elderwood at Waverly
- Express Employment Professionals
- Family Enrichment Network
- Fastenal Company
- Finger Lakes Residential Center
- Five Star Urgent Care
- GMR Marketing
- Good Shepherd Village
- Greater Binghamton Health Center



- Guthrie
- Handicapped Children's Association
- Jim Rollo Insurance and Financial Services
- JM Murray
- Keller Williams Greater Binghamton
- Kendal at Ithaca
- Laboratory Alliance of Central New York, LLC
- Maines Paper & Food Service, Inc.
- Manpower US Inc. – Vestal
- McFarland-Johnson, Inc.
- Mirabito Holdings, Inc.
- Modern Marketing Concepts, Inc.
- Nationwide Credit/Altisource
- New York Army National Guard
- Nine Energy Service
- Nurse Connection Staffing
- Oneonta Job Corps Academy
- Opportunities for Broome
- Patient Engagement Advisors
- Profit Rhino
- SAGE Truck Driving School
- SaveAround
- Security Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York
- Southern Tier Independence Center
- Springbrook
- Stafkings
- Stafkings Healthcare
- STCR Inc.
- SUNY Broome Community College Human Resources
- SUNY Broome Office of Public Safety
- Susquehanna Care Corp.
- Susquehanna Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
- Taylor Garbage Services Inc.
- TeamWorld, Inc.
- The Family & Children's Society, Inc.
- The Raymond Corporation
- Tioga Downs Casino
- Tioga State Bank
- S. Customs and Border Protection
- UHS Home Care
- UHS Hospitals
- UHS Senior Living at Ideal
- Unified Court System – 6thJudicial District
- United Healthcare
- United Methodist Homes
- United Way of Broome County
- Upstate Companies
- Vestal Asphalt Inc.
- Visions Federal Credit Union
- Wayfair
- WBNG-TV
- WillowRun Foods
- YMCA of Broome County

For more information, visit www.sunybroome.edu/job-fair. For questions, please contact Gina Chase at chasegm@sunybroome.edu.



Construction notice for the Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center

April 19, 2018
Buzz



Construction/landscaping work will begin on Monday, April 23, 2018 in the grassed area between the Natural Science Center and the Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center. Most of this work will involve moving earth from this area to the campus' main quad located between the AT, Business and Student Services buildings. The work will last approximately two weeks.

The asphalt pathway located directly behind the Calice Center will be closed to all pedestrian traffic during this time. Additionally, there will be limited heavy truck traffic between the Public Safety Building and the AT Building. This truck traffic will be flagged.

Please pay attention to any and all construction barricades, tape, signing and flagging during this two week period. If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact David Ligeikis at (607) 765-9710.



Wales Center entrance closed until April 23

April 20, 2018
Buzz



Please note that the main entrance to the Darwin R. Wales Center will be closed until Monday, April 23, for needed maintenance. We regret the inconvenience.



SUNY Broome instructors, student to speak at history conference

April 20, 2018

Buzz

The Bundy Museum's first annual local history conference will be held at the museum (129 Main Street, Binghamton) this Saturday, April 21, from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The Perspectives on Broome County History Conference features Broome County and New York State historians, authors, and faculty, including SUNY Broome adjunct instructors Susan Sherwood (Director of TechWorks!), and Marcia Blackburn (Communications and HPSS). Current SUNY Broome student (and House Manager of the Phelps Museum) Joseph Schuerch will also be giving a talk.

The conference schedule is located

here: <https://www.bundymuseum.org/perspectives/>

The conference is free and open to the public. There is free parking behind the Main Street Baptist Church, next to the museum. Box lunches will be available for purchase. For more information, call 607-772-9179, or email info@BundyMuseum.org.



In the Community: Southern Tier Lyme Disease Conference on May 5

April 20, 2018

Buzz

Southern Tier Lyme Support, Inc., and Binghamton University Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Research are holding the Southern Tier Lyme Disease Conference 2018 on Saturday, May 5, at BU's Innovative Technologies Complex.

Guest speakers include:

- Dr. Ralph Garruto, Binghamton University Professor of Biomedical Anthropology, on “The Future of Lyme and Other Tick-Borne Diseases in Upstate New York”
- Amanda Roome, Binghamton University anthropology Ph.D. candidate, on “The Spread of Lyme Disease in the Northeast: Ticks, Human Health and Public Policy”
- Robert Giguere, iGeneX Inc. sales director, on “Staying Ahead of the Plague”
- Dr. Ronald Stram, M.D., on “An Integrative Approach for the Treatment of Lyme Disease: Bridging the Information Gap”
- Dr. Richard Horowitz, M.D., ILADS, on “Updates in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Lyme and Tick-Borne Disorders”

The conference is open both to the community and to medical professionals. The cost is \$75 for physicians and \$5 for the public. Check-in runs from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., and speakers will present from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. There will be a lunch break from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with a limited menu cafe on site. The doors will stay open until 7 p.m.

All attendees must register to attend. There will be an additional \$10 late

registration fee at the door.

For details and to register, visit www.southerntirelymesupport.org.



Apply for the SUNY Empire State Diversity Honors Scholarship

April 20, 2018

Buzz

The Financial Aid Office has applications available for the SUNY Empire State Diversity Honors Scholarship. Student eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident alien and must be a New York State resident.
- Must be a member of an under-represented minority group.
- Must have a minimum 3.0 grade-point average (GPA); minimum high school average of 80% (if new student).
- Must be matriculated into a degree-granting program of study.
- Must have completed the 2017-18 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

For more information or to apply, please contact the Financial Aid Office. The deadline for application materials is Friday, May 4.



Spring Fling Rodeo Roundup on April 26

April 20, 2018
Buzz



Join us for Spring Fling from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 26 on the west side of the Student Services Building. This year, we're going to the rodeo with a mechanical bull, sand art, a country band, photo booth, club tabling and more!



Have a laugh: Comedian Nina G on April 24

April 20, 2018
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Join comedian Nina G for “Stutterer Interrupted: The Making of a Stuttering Stand Up Comedian” from 11 a.m. to noon April 24 in Decker 201. Nina G brings her humor to help people confront and understand disability culture, access and empowerment.

Attendees will be entered into a raffle to win a yoga mat. Namaste!



April 24 deliberation: Fixing the opioid crisis

April 22, 2018
Buzz

Join us at 11 a.m. April 24 in T-209 for a public deliberation on fixing the opioid crisis. This deliberation will look at the current drug epidemic raging through the nation. Issue guides are available at the garnar Center for Civic Engagement, located in Old Science Building Room 104.



PTA Club to hold Pound fitness event on May 11

April 22, 2018
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Join the SUNY Broome PTA Club for their Pound fitness event from 7 to 8 p.m. May 11, 2018, at Jam Fitness at 140 Vestal Parkway E # 3. Please contact Jam Fitness directly at 607-953-5267 to register as there is a 45-person registration limit. The cost of the event is \$15.

It promises to be a fun time with black-lights, music and of course drumsticks and a little bit of sweat! If you have questions, please feel free to contact Julianne Klepfer 778-5329.



Save the Date: SUNY Broome MLK Jr. Job Fair will be held April 26

April 22, 2018
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In partnership with the New York State Department of Labor, the 2018 SUNY Broome MLK Jr. Job Fair will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 26, 2018, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center.

The event is free for job seekers. All employers on hand will have job opportunities available and are eager to meet qualified candidates.

All students are highly encouraged to attend this event — both first-year students and those about to graduate. Visit the Applied Learning and Career Center to develop your resume and practice your elevator speech before the Job Fair. Schedule an appointment by visiting www.sunybroome.edu/careercenter.



Celebration of Life for Joseph Croteau on April 24

April 22, 2018
Buzz



Joseph Croteau

Please join us in a Celebration of Life event as we remember our friend and colleague, Joseph Croteau.

We will gather from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, in the SUNY Broome Art Gallery, located on the main floor of the Library. We encourage you to bring your stories of encounters/interactions with Joe, whether they be humorous, encouraging, thoughtful or emotional.

Those wishing to share a song, thoughts, or stories with all in attendance are welcome to take the floor. Light refreshments will be provided through the generosity of the ASL Club (American Sign Language Club).



Joseph Croteau



Support the 2018 Southern Tier Oral Cancer Walk/Run for Awareness

April 22, 2018
Buzz

The Oral Cancer Foundation's Southern Tier Oral Cancer Walk/Run for Awareness will be held on Sunday, April 29, at Otsiningo Park in Binghamton. Check-in begins at 8 a.m. and the walk/run begins at 10 a.m.

The SUNY Broome Dental Hygiene Senior Class will be volunteering at the event. If you would like to support the class or come walk/run with us, you can register online at: <https://donate.oralcancer.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.team&teamID=7721>

Please email Meghan McGuinness (mcguinnessma@sunybroome.edu) with any questions. Thank you!



The Monday Poem: 'How To Tell Your Mother There Will Be No Grandkids In Her Future' by Ira Sukrungruang

April 22, 2018
Buzz

The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Jim Gormley of the English Department. Enjoy!

How To Tell Your Mother There Will Be No Grandkids In Her Future

Don't enter conversations
about generations. Use the art
of misdirection. Tell her the rain
is falling. Tell her today
you saw a cardinal,
her favorite bird, and it was
feeding its young seeds.
No. Better not mention
the young. Tell her,
instead, the garden is coming in
thick this spring,
and the tulips have multiplied,
their buds like hands in prayer.
Better yet,
tell her about the work
crying in your briefcase.
Tell her you wish
you had three lives:
one for work, one for your dreams,
and one for her. That one
will have as many Siamese warriors
as she wants, swinging on a tree
as wide as an ocean,
its limbs twisting and turning.
In that life,
they listen, those warriors,
for the sound of her voice.
They wait for her to emerge
from the jeweled temple.

—Ira Sukrungruang

About Ira

Ira Sukrungruang is a Chicago born Thai-American. He is the author of the memoirs *Southside Buddhist*, which won the 2015 American Book Award and a Bronze Medal in the Florida Book Awards, *Talk Thai: The Adventures of Buddhist Boy*, the poetry collection *In Thailand It Is Night*, and the forthcoming short story collection, *The Melting Season*. He co-edited *What Are You Looking At: The First Fat Fiction Anthology* and *Scoot Over, Skinny: The Fat Nonfiction Anthology*.

Ira has published his essays, poems, and short stories in many literary journals and anthologies, including *Creative Nonfiction*, the *Sun*, the *Bellingham Review*, *North American Review*, *Crab Orchard Review*, *Post Road*, and *Brevity*. He has received the New York Foundation for the Arts Nonfiction Fellowship, The Just Desserts Fiction Prize, and an Illinois Arts Council Literary Award, and received support from the Blue Mountain Center, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, and Ragdale.

Currently, he is working on several projects: a memoir about his time as Thai entitled *Monk for a Month*; a memoir about his love for dogs entitled *Buddha's Dog*; and a collection of poetry entitled *The Green We Speak*.



Don't miss it: 'Short & Sweet' theater production on April 26 and 27

April 22, 2018
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The performances will begin at 7:30 p.m. April 26 and 27 in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre in the Student Center. The show ends by 9 p.m.

Welcome to the Moon is John Patrick Shanley's celebration of love in all its forms and Joan Ackermann's *Marcus Is Walking* explores lighthearted family relationships that happen in an automobile.

Don't miss this lighthearted evening of "Short & Sweet" entertainment by great writers of dramatic literature. Reservations can be made by calling 778-5191.



From left to right rehearsing "Out West" by John Patrick Shanley are Abdul Siddique, Tiffany Poborsky, Rachail Pomerlee, Mackinaw Shutt and Ben Swensen.



Celebrate the planet: Earth Fest to be held April 29

April 22, 2018

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Celebrate the richness and beauty of our planet at Earth Fest, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 29, in SUNY Broome's Baldwin Gym, located in the Student Center. Admission is \$1 or a donation to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse.

Earth Day Southern Tier is proud to be again partnering with SUNY Broome, the Binghamton Zoo at Ross Park, and the Roberson Museum and Science Center. There will be vendors, music, food, magic shows, hands-on children's activities, crafts, demonstrations and give-a-ways. The event also features a River Trails Bike Cruise organized by the Southern Tier Bike Club.

The SUNY Broome Ecology Club will be operating a book exchange and clothing recycling drop-off program during the event. Fuel-efficient cars will also be on display.



Interested in politics? Learn about opportunities April 24 at the Political Pizza Party

April 22, 2018

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Want to learn how you can get academic credit by working for a political party, a candidate running for office this November or for an elected official? Or, maybe you want to work at the polls this November and earn money on Election Day, or join an organization such as Young Republicans and Young Democrats.

Whatever your path, the Political Pizza Party is for you! Numerous political party officials, candidates and representatives will be on hand from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Tuesday, April 24, in T-101 to talk with students. Professor Carla Michalak will also discuss how students can earn credit in her Political Science Internship course.

This annual event is co-sponsored by the college's Student Assembly, the History/Philosophy/Social Sciences Department and the Garnar Center for Civic Engagement. Faculty are asked to encourage their students to attend this event. People with questions should contact Professor Doug Garnar at garnardc@sunybroomed.edu.



Students to the rescue: Mock Environmental Disaster Event on May 4

April 22, 2018

Buzz

A bus crash that sends a mysterious powder into the air. A stage collapse. Multiple car crashes, and forces of nature. These are just some of the mass-casualty disasters SUNY Broome students have tackled in their annual Mock Environmental Disaster drill, which allows them to hone their skills as first-responders, medical professionals and more.

What will 2018 hold? Find out on Friday, May 4, when our seventh annual Mock Environmental Disaster begins promptly at 2 p.m.

The drill will take place near the Annex Building. **Please be aware that this is a scheduled learning event and there is no emergency.**

Students from programs across campus gain valuable real-life experience in their field of study as they participate in the mock environmental exposure disaster. Departments involved in the effort include Medical Assisting, Nursing, Health Information Technology, Radiologic Technology, Physical Therapist Assistant, Dental Hygiene, Clinical Laboratory Technologies, Criminal Justice and Emergency Services, Communications, Hospitality, Business Information Technology, Special Events and Productions, Office of Marketing & Communications, Public Safety and Chemistry.

Members of the community who participate in the event include, but are not limited to Chenango Fire, Tioga County Health Department, and the Broome Ambulance.

As in previous years, the mock disaster event will involve multiple victims. Students must care for these victims using skills and knowledge learned in their respective programs. Faculty will monitor the activity providing feedback as necessary.

Students will find out what disaster awaits them on the day of the event, in order to learn how to manage a scene without prior knowledge or details.

For more information contact **Erin O'Hara-Leslie**, Chairperson Medical Assisting & Health Studies, (607) 778-5495.



April 25 film screening: 'The Magdalene Sisters'

April 22, 2018
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Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 2002 Irish film "The Magdalene Sisters," directed by Peter Mullan.

Three young Irish women struggle to maintain their spirits while they endure dehumanizing abuse as inmates of a Magdalene asylum, a home for sinful women.

Part of PTK's International Film Series, the film starts at 7 p.m. April 25 in TH 101.



On-campus construction for the week of April 23

April 23, 2018
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Landscaping work will begin on the south side of the Calice Center (in the area between Calice and the Natural Science Center). Please be aware of all construction signing, barricades and directives in this area. The pedestrian walkway directly behind Calice will be closed during this work, which will last approximately two weeks.

Additional asbestos removal work (floor tile removal) will take place in Calice over the next two weeks.

Construction of the east curtain wall (exterior wall) in the Connector will continue.

Replacement of the lower roof on the Calice Center will begin this week.

First floor finishing work in Calice continues (floor prep, taping, finishing, painting).

As always, if anyone has any questions, please contact David Ligeikis at (607) 765-9710.



In the Community: EAP client opens the Waterman Distillery

April 23, 2018
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Waterman Distillery sign



Waterman Distillery founder Joe Alig with Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo at the opening of his business, the Waterman Distillery. Congratulations to Entrepreneurial Assistance Program client Joe Alig, who recently held a grand opening for his business enterprise, the Waterman Distillery.

SUNY Broome Director of Continuing Education and Workforce Development Janet Hertzog was recently able to tour the business. Joe, his wife and business partner have done a beautiful job renovating the old Waterman barn in Apalachin.

[Click here for more information on the EAP program.](#)



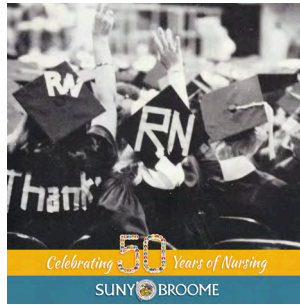
Waterman Distillery sign



Inside the Waterman Distillery

Last Chance to Register for the 50th Nursing Anniversary Celebration!

April 23, 2018
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Join us as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of SUNY Broome's Nursing program. Click here to register now!

Join us as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of SUNY Broome's Nursing program at the President's Alumni Reception during Alumni Reunion weekend! For the past five decades, the College has provided the Southern Tier with qualified, compassionate nurses and given nursing students a strong academic foundation necessary for success in healthcare settings.

At the anniversary event, enjoy a recognition program, historical displays and the opportunity to network with SUNY Broome Nursing faculty, fellow alumni, students and community partners.

Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served.

Registration is required, cost is \$12 per person.

Saturday, April 28th 2018 – 4:00PM – 6:00PM

**Decker Health Sciences Center Lobby
& Room 201 on the SUNY Broome Campus**



In the Community: Enjoy BBQ in downtown Binghamton on May 12

April 23, 2018

Buzz

Need a hearty meal to help you study for finals?

Stop by the annual chicken barbecue Saturday, May 12, at Tabernacle United Methodist Church, 83 Main St., Binghamton. The sale runs from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. (or until sold out). A full dinner with sides and dessert is \$10; a half chicken only is \$6.

(And if you need a last-minute gift for Mother's Day, the church also is having a plant sale.)



SUNY Broome Theater presents 'Short & Sweet' on April 26 & 27

April 23, 2018
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Join SUNY Broome Theater at 7:30 p.m. April 26 and 27 for “Short & Sweet: Mini Plays about Family, Friends & Love from *Welcome to the Moon* & *Marcus Is Walking*” in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre, located in the Student Center.

“Live music accompanies this evening of lighthearted entertainment, including happenings in a car that we all can recognize from everyday life — and it will over by 9 p.m.,” said Director Katherine Bacon.

Four of the plays are penned by John Patrick Shanley, author of the Oscar winning film *Moonstruck* and Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning play *Doubt, A Parable*. Don't miss this “short” evening of heartwarming stories about love, friendship and family by John Patrick Shanley and Joan Ackermann.

Reservations need to be made by calling 778-5191.



Aiming for the top: How SUNY Broome inspired Branden to reach his potential

April 23, 2018
Featured News



Branden Desmond



Branden Desmond

[Click here to learn about the Honors Program.](#)
[Click here to apply.](#)

‘A second home’

Desmond enrolled in SUNY Broome at the very last moment. He was set to go to the University at Albany, but the campus just didn’t feel right and he opted to stay closer to home.

“When I first took my tour of the campus, I knew that this is where I wanted to be,” he said. “SUNY Broome has almost become a second home to me since I first started. I have met amazing teachers here, and have had a chance to grow both academically and as a person.”

While he was a B+ student in high school, he strived for excellence in college, achieving a near-perfect GPA every semester. He has a dual major in Paralegal Studies and Liberal Arts, to help prepare him for law school down the road.

He enjoys the challenging nature of the Honors Program, and the connections he forged with professors Steven Call and Leeland Whitted, with whom he conducted his Honors project.

“I like the freedom it gives me in class, especially in connecting with a teacher you like. It really shines when you have that interaction,” Branden said of the Honors Program.

In his Honors project, Desmond drew on his interest in communism and explored how its principles were enacted – or not – in societies such as the Soviet Union, Israel and North Korea, as well as Europe prior to World War II. He also explored American communities, such as the Transcendentalists, which espoused communist principles.

While Desmond has a deep appreciation for communist ideals – the pooling of resources and shared ownership by the people, and the focus on altruism in particular – he found that all too often it can lead to a totalitarian society, so-called “barracks communism” in which life is bureaucratically regimented. Rather than nation-states, communism proved more successful in small-scale communities where people pool their resources. (Communism, he points out, is also distinct from the socialism found in many European countries, in which a private sector exists and people have their own money and resources.)

The ideals underpinning communism often get lost in the West, especially considering the legacy of the Cold War during which communist societies were viewed as “The Red Menace.”

“It truly is beautiful, the idea of everyone working together for the betterment of society,” Desmond reflected.

Outside of class, Branden aids his peers as a tutor and is president of the Tutoring Club. He also has a work-study job in Liberal Arts, aiding Professor Lisa Strahley, and works as a supervisor at CVS. Life can be hectic and he averages only four to six hours of sleep at night, juggling schoolwork with his employment.

What keeps him going? “I tap into that ambition and passion for everything,” he replied.

He’s also co-manager for sales for Blues on the Bridge, a popular music festival in downtown Binghamton. He became involved with the event as a summer job in high school selling advertising, and his work blossomed from there. His role in the event converges with his interest in law, as it requires him to know about contracts.

'Life-altering' connections

Like many local students, Branden pondered transferring to Binghamton University. His professors, however, urged him to broaden his horizons and consider the Ivy League – Cornell University, or even Harvard. He's applying to both, with the eventual aim of getting into their law schools.

In essence, Branden views his ambitions in law and politics as two sides of a larger system of societal justice. In some senses, politics is a macrocosm of justice while attorneys operate in the microcosm, as they seek justice for their individual clients.

While Branden Desmond has enjoyed many aspects of his SUNY Broome experience – the academic rigor, the campus and the community – he credits his professors with making his time here truly memorable and shaping his path to come.

"SUNY Broome has been life-altering," he said. "If I hadn't met Professor Whittaker or Professor Call, I wouldn't have come to grasp my intellectual potential."



***NEW DATE* Can't boil water? Here is the cooking class you need!**

April 23, 2018
Buzz



American Dining Creations is excited to introduce the first installment of their Chef Education Series at 5 p.m. May 8, in the Student Village classroom.

This will be the first of a series of cooking classes hosted by Chef Peter Gilligan. The first class of the series, “How to Boil Water,” will focus on basic cooking techniques and recipes that will use inexpensive ingredients and basic equipment that is available in the Student Village suites. Students will participate in creating several dishes, and will be provided with recipe cards for those and other recipes they can tackle back in their suites.

The first class will be open to 12 participants, all of whom will receive a gift bag and be eligible for a door prize, not to mention the opportunity to enjoy their creations — all at no cost!

Students can sign up via the American Dining Creations Facebook page, by e-mailing kmaurer@afvusa.com, or calling office at 607-778-5140. There are only 12 spots, so register soon.



Striking a chord: Brandon changes course to pursue a lifelong passion

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Brandon Lake



Brandon Lake

Lake, who grew up in the West Hempstead area, always had a passion for music. He has been an avid singer since he was a child and participated in select choir in high school.

He sings at SUNY Broome as well, giving concerts with the Chamber Choir. He is also part of the Men of Excellence program, which provides SUNY Broome's men of color with intensive academic, professional and social support – and in Brandon's words, helps guide participants to be the best they can be.

"Getting to know people and what they're about and their background is good for everyone. It's a human thing," he reflected. "Life is an experience and you should never limit yourself to one point of view."

The Student Village resident also has seen his GPA climb, reaching a respectable 3.6 last semester. Pursuing his true passion has made all the difference.

"With music class, I was really excited to go," he said. "It's not that the work was easy – it's not – but I pushed myself because this is what I want to do."

Perhaps as a testament to his engineering roots, he's interested in the electronics behind sound engineering and has learned how to navigate digital audio workstations and the software they use. He knows how to record himself, a large orchestra and everything in between, along with a wide array of different instruments.

He also has grown outside the classroom, forging connections throughout campus, from faculty and staff to fellow students. In short, he's grown up – becoming an adult who takes responsibility for himself, fosters teamwork and strives for excellence.

Initially accepted at Alfred State College and SUNY Buffalo State, he opted for SUNY Broome because it was a fresh start – a place where he knew no one and could truly be himself. After graduation, he will transfer to SUNY Oneonta, where he will continue his studies in sound engineering.

In the short-term, he would like to work for Dreamville Records, which specializes in hiphop and R&B, and eventually open his own recording studio. In the long-term, he would like to run a label of his own – as well as learn to play the trumpet, guitar and saxophone.

"It's been phenomenal," he said of his time at SUNY Broome. "I found what I wanted to do with my life, I found a bunch of lifelong friends and amazing professors, and I realized my dreams."

Brandon Lake just couldn't find his passion in mechanical engineering.

He greeted class with a mix of resignation and dread – and his grade point average that first semester showed it at a barely-there 2.1. He needed a change – and fast.

He called up his father one morning and announced that he was changing his major to Music: Sound Engineering. His parents were supportive, but wanted to know why.

"At a certain point, it wasn't what I wanted to do because all I could think about was music," he said of his prior major. "It came down to 'What do I want to do for myself?' I want to make a living in music."

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Striving for excellence



Building confidence: Kayla grows as a role model and a medical professional

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Kayla Figuera



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When Kayla Figuera came to SUNY Broome, she felt unsure and a little bit anxious.

The Lake Huntington native knew she wanted a career in a medical field, but didn't know which at first. When she decided on Medical Assisting, she worried that she might struggle with the curriculum. Soft-spoken and an introvert, she knew she also needed to come out of her shell and gain confidence in navigating the world.

She has found success, both in her field and as a Resident Assistant in the Student Village, helping her peers.

"SUNY Broome had a very hands-on, individualized experience here. That's what I was really interested in," she said of her decision to attend the college.

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While the Medical Assisting curriculum is challenging, it prepares students well for their future careers. The instructors also work closely with students, making sure they understand the subject matter. Figuera particularly appreciates professors Kim McLain and Erin O'Hara-Leslie.

"I like how they're very tough because they want you to succeed. They push you in a good way," she said.

After graduating this May, she plans to work in her field, either in Binghamton or her hometown. Eventually, she plans to pursue certification as a respiratory therapist.

"I like the medical field because I like fast-paced environments. As a respiratory therapist, there are moments where you're going to have a lot of adrenaline and use your skills," she said. "There are a lot of code blues, where patients need to be intubated."

On the way to becoming a medical professional, Kayla also became something she never expected: a researcher. She is part of the SUNY Broome Health Research Team, which this year explored campus awareness of hands-only CPR and AEDs and conducted a campaign to inform and teach the community their use. They presented their findings at the Student Undergraduate Research Conference at SUNY Oneonta.

Figuera also expanded her horizons in other ways by becoming a Resident Assistant, a role she has held for the past two years. It can be a tough job for an introvert, as RAs are considered role models and seek to resolve any issues that arise in the Student Village. Kayla found the work enjoyable, and it helped her develop confidence.

"I learned a lot about myself here. I met a lot of different people, people from different backgrounds who have helped me grow," she said of her time at SUNY Broome. "There's a lot of knowledge, skill and memories — I think SUNY Broome treated me well."



Coming home: After two unsuccessful tries at college, Becca hits a home run

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Becca Griswold



Becca Griswold

SUNY Broome isn't Griswold's first college experience, but it has been by far her most successful. She began at Fordham University, where she played Division I softball and helped her team win the Atlantic 10 Championship. But she admits that her focus was entirely on her sport and not on her academic success.

Thinking a change of scene would help, she transferred to the University at Buffalo but continued to struggle. Disillusioned, she dropped out of school and spent five years working for Chipotle, working her way up to general manager. While she enjoyed working for the company, she felt that her future called her elsewhere.

She enrolled at SUNY Broome, where her mother also attended classes as part of the partnership program with Excelsior College. To ease the transition, she began with a few summer courses and was pleasantly surprised.

"I had really great professors," she said. "I love being here. I love being engaged in campus. It really feels like home."

With softball out of the picture, she found other ways to become engaged in campus life, such as the Broome Educators of Children Association, and improved academically, earning a spot on the President's List. She also became involved with public deliberations, working with Professor Lisa Strahley, coordinator for the Douglas C. Garnar Center for Civic Engagement.

Unlike debates, deliberations aren't adversarial in nature. Instead, groups of engaged citizens discuss aspects of a problem, potential solutions, and the pluses and minuses of each. There is a focus on listening and inviting a variety of voices to the discussion, Griswold explained.

"Deliberations are a better way of hearing everyone and everyone having a voice at the table. Everyone can hear each other," she said.

Under Professor Strahley's guidance, Becca is learning to run deliberations and developing the skills she hopes to use one day in the classroom. She participated in one such deliberation in the Chenango Valley school district, focused on the problem of mass shootings.

"It wasn't just parents and students; we had a police chief, the county executive, school employees, different voices and opinions. It was cool to have them hear each other's perspectives," she said.

Griswold stays involved in the community in other ways as well. She coaches a travel softball team in Windsor and has also volunteered at The Children's Home, which gave her the opportunity to witness how educators can make a difference in the lives of children in difficult circumstances.

As she approaches Commencement, Griswold is grateful for her second chance at a college education – right here in her hometown. From professors Strahley and Christine Duffy-Webb to her advisor Tom Quain, SUNY Broome faculty and staff have pushed this future educator to improve her academic standing and succeed.

"They have helped me to think bigger and expect more of myself," she reflected. "They have also taught me to get involved, and that you do not have to look far to make an impact on this world. There are many opportunities right here in our communities."



Building a Bridge: Suehaidee designs a future in civil engineering

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Suehaidee Masso



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Roads and drainage are intriguing, but Suehaidee Masso finds her inspiration in bridges.

“I like bridges just because how everything has to be laid out so specifically. You can see exactly where those soft points of pressure are,” explained the Engineering Science major, who will transfer to the University at Buffalo this fall to major in civil engineering.

She had the opportunity to explore the intricacies of infrastructure, including bridges, during an internship with the New York State Department of Transportation. As a transportation construction inspector (TCI), she watched over workers on the job, making sure they received the right directions and followed their spec book.

Some of that work did involve bridges – under the Industrial Park exit. She worked on sounding the concrete beams below the road, which have to be constantly monitored to make sure they can handle the complex stresses placed

upon them. She’s looking forward to returning to the DOT for another internship this summer before she heads to Buffalo.

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While women have made headway in the engineering field, the profession is still dominated by men, Masso acknowledged. Her first introduction to the field came in fourth grade, when she took part in the Girls in Engineering Program at her Binghamton elementary school. More opportunities followed, including the Broome-Tioga BOCES New Visions Engineering Academy, which brought students to the DOT, Lockheed Martin, BAE Systems and other engineering firms.

“As a woman in engineering, sometimes it can be hard to be looked at in the same way as a man would be,” the Chenango Valley High School graduate explained. “On the other hand, women bring a different kind of perspective to the field, which is nice.”

Before her internship with the DOT, Masso considered a future in mechanical engineering. Once she had a taste of infrastructure, however, she knew her path lay in the civil engineering field.

SUNY Broome proved to be an ideal destination for Masso, who chose the college both for its low tuition and its proximity to her family. The courses for an Engineering Science student are the same both academically and in terms of rigor as a four-year school, with one main difference: Students are encouraged to work together, and develop teamwork skills that will be useful on the job later on.

“Everything is more individualized and you can really get that solid learning background,” she said. “It’s a great place to go to really get your head in the game. I honestly don’t know how people can go straight into a four-year school.”

Small class sizes allow students to interact with their professors and develop an academic support system. Masso particularly appreciates the guidance of Professor Robert Lofthouse, who has a great depth of knowledge in his field – which he imparts to his students.

“He knows absolutely everything you can possibly think of,” she said.

Long term, Suehaidee Masso hopes to continue her work on bridges – not only bridging the gap for women in engineering, but bringing her knowledge to developing countries and aiding the infrastructure there.

While she was unable to go on SUNY Broome’s Health for Haiti trip, she and other engineering science students did research ways to improve Grande Saline’s clean water and gardening irrigation systems, providing ideas which community members found useful.

“I want to go out to third world countries to have a sense of what they’re facing and how we can fix it,” she said. “Maybe I can get out there with some really good designs.”



Discuss #MeToo on college campus May 1

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Join the SUNY Broome Women's Institute and Professors Carla Michalak and Kathleen McKenna for a presentation about sexual harassment and sexual assault on college campuses in 2018. The event will run from 11 to 11:50 a.m. May 1 in Titchener Hall Room 101.

Dean Scott Schuhert, Title IX Coordinator, and Human Resources Specialist Paige Sedlacek will speak briefly about resources available to students and staff on the SUNY Broome campus.

Also, be sure to attend the lecture by #MeToo founder Tarana Burke at 6:30 p.m. on May 8 in the Baldwin Gym.



Global engineering: Grace explores her field both close to home and around the world

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Grace Muggeo



Grace Muggeo

"I've always wanted to stay close to home. The first two years of engineering are the same wherever you go, and I get to be with my family every day," she said of her decision to stay local for college.

Despite the distance, she found that she wasn't homesick at all while in Haiti with her classmates. They were simply too busy, working as a team in an intricate humanitarian effort while seeing a different culture first hand.

"It makes you appreciate life a lot more," she said of her experiences in the Caribbean country.

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A born engineer

While many young girls play with dolls, Grace Muggeo asked for LEGOs. She has always enjoyed building things and knew from the first that she wanted to become an engineer. It's a family tradition, in fact; her father is an engineer and she grew up familiar with the field.

She's looking toward a future as a mechanical engineer because of the broadness of the field, and is particularly interested in building homes. There is a running joke among the Engineering Science students that each chose a different specialty so they could one day help each other build their own houses, she said.

Small class sizes allow students to succeed in a challenging major, she said, and professors truly want students to succeed. On campus, she is involved with the Engineering Science Club and the Art Club, the latter to get in touch with her creative side.

She is already laying the foundation for her future, landing a summer internship with BAE Systems. She's looking to transfer to either Binghamton University or the Rochester Institute of Technology for the next step in her education.

Whatever transfer institution she chooses, her time at SUNY Broome will allow her to make the transition smoothly, she said.

"It's definitely not what I anticipated. It was the best place I could have gone and I'm so happy I came here," she said.



Join the 9th annual Homeless Awareness Sleepout on May 18

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Join Student Assembly for the 9th Annual Homeless Awareness Sleepout!

More than 17,000 individuals experienced homelessness throughout the Southern Tier last year alone. Of these individuals, 173 families accessed local emergency shelters, with 403 of them being children under the age of 5 years. The goal of the Homeless Awareness Sleepout is to help the Southern Tier Homeless Coalition to bring resources to families and individuals struggling with homelessness.

What is the sleepout?

The Homeless Awareness Sleepout is an event designed to raise funds for the Southern Tier Homeless Coalition. SUNY Broome students sleep out on campus for one night, and have their family and friends sponsor them to do so! There's food, music, entertainment and an awesome community, all coming together to make an impact on homelessness in our community.

Want to get involved?

Use the attached sponsor sign-up sheet to collect sponsors for the event! Go to family, friends, neighbors — everyone you know! — and ask them to support you in sleeping out for homelessness. By sleeping out and gaining sponsors, you are helping the Southern Tier Homeless Coalition to eradicate homelessness in our community.

When you find someone who wants to sponsor you to sleep out, simply have them fill in the information in the attached sheet — or do it yourself, if you want! — and be sure to send thank-you notes to your sponsors after the event is over, so they know

how much of an impact they helped you make!

- Sign Up Sheet (PDF)

The person who collects the most donations through their sponsors will win a \$25 gift card to a local restaurant!

Event Information

The event will take place at 5 p.m. **May 18** on the SUNY Broome Campus. Bring three cans of non-perishable food for entry into a raffle! Pizza will be available for sale for \$1 per slice. Live music and entertainment will be provided!

Please contact Kevin Carr at carrkm1@acad.sunybroome.edu with questions.



Stop procrastinating: Time management workshop on April 25

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The Student Success Squad is holding a time management workshop that is designed to help participants become aware of the stories they tell themselves (such as “I’ll do it later”) that can lead to procrastination and time-crunches.

Take the time to manage your time from 11 a.m. to noon April 25 in LI 004, located on the ground floor of the library.



Author Edwin Black discuss 'Journalism in the Age of Misinformation' on April 26

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Edwin Black



Edwin Black

Please join us at 12 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in Titchener Hall Room 102 for an in-person discussion with award-winning, internationally acclaimed journalist Edwin Black, author of *IBM and the Holocaust* and *War against the Weak*.

His on-campus lecture is entitled "Journalism in the Age of Misinformation: A Session for Journalism Students, Film Documentarians and Historians," and will include an introduction by Communications & Media Arts Department instructor Nick Bongiorno.

The event is sponsored by SUNY Broome Communications and HPSS Departments in association with the Binghamton University Institute for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention, Department of Sociology, BUZO, StandWithUs, Israeli-American Council, American Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists, and CAMERA on Campus.



Yum: Krispy Kreme fundraiser runs through May 16

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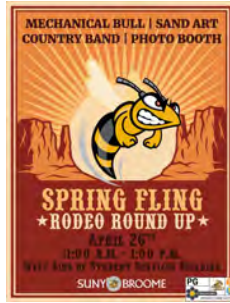
Back by popular demand! SUNY Broome Medical Assisting Students will be selling Krispy Kreme donuts for only \$7.50 per dozen.

Don't miss out on this incredible edible opportunity! Order your fresh glazed donuts before May 16 by contacting Scott Bierman at biermans@acad.sunybroome.edu.



Kristen Merlin to perform at Spring Fling Rodeo Roundup on April 26

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Grab your 10-gallon hats: Singer-songwriter Kristen Merlin will perform at this year's Spring Fling Rodeo Roundup on April 26.

The country singer was a semi-finalist on season 6 of NBC "The Voice." She released her first EP "Boomerang" 2015, and has shared the stage with artists such as Shakire and Sugarland.

Spring Fling runs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 26 on the west side of the Student Services Building and will feature a rodeo theme with a mechanical bull, sand art, photo booth and more. Merlin will perform between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.



April 26 Common Hour: The importance of elections in the criminal justice system

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Join Criminal Justice & Emergency Services faculty member Darin Schmidt at 11 a.m. April 26 in T-102 for a discussion of the importance of elections to the criminal justice system.



Don't miss it: 'Short & Sweet' theater production on April 26 and 27

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From left to right rehearsing "Out West" by John Patrick Shanley are Abdul Siddique, Tiffany Poborsky, Rachail Pomerlee, Mackinaw Shutt and Ben Swensen.



In the mini play "Marcus Is Walking," you can see Ricky Wood as he plays the father driving his son Marcus to his Halloween trick or treat houses. Jialin Tian is playing Marcus.

Join SUNY Broome Theater for its Spring 2018 production of "Short & Sweet: Mini plays on Family, Friends & Love from *Welcome to the Moon* & *Marcus Is Walking*."

The performances will begin at 7:30 p.m. April 26 and 27 in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre in the Student Center. The show ends by 9 p.m.

Welcome to the Moon is John Patrick Shanley's celebration of love in all its forms and Joan Ackermann's *Marcus Is Walking* explores lighthearted family relationships that happen in an automobile.

Don't miss this lighthearted evening of "Short & Sweet" entertainment by great writers of dramatic literature. Reservations can be made by calling 778-5191.



From left to right rehearsing "Out West" by John Patrick Shanley are Abdul Siddique, Tiffany Poborsky, Rachail Pomerlee, Mackinaw Shutt and Ben Swensen.



Plant a tree for Earth Day

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Get a tree for free in honor of Earth Day! Free trees will be available from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 26 in front of the Student Center.



See the Rumble Ponies at a discount: Black and Gold Night on May 3

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Wear your Black and Gold proudly on May 3, when the Binghamton Rumble Ponies play against the New Hampshire Fisher Cats!

The May 3 game, which begins at 6:35 p.m. May 3 at NYSEG Stadium, 211 Henry St, Binghamton, is SUNY Broome Black and Gold Night. Wear your SUNY Broome gear and you'll be able to buy tickets at the box office with a discount!

Reserved Grandstand tickets are \$4 and Box Seats \$6. Order online and get the discount by using the Special Offer Code "GOLD."

You may also purchase Reserved Grandstand tickets on Thursday, April 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Center lobby (cash only please).

Thirsty Thursday with two-for-one soft drinks and select draft beers (for those over the age of 21) will also be available at the stadium, and games and events are included in the ticket price. This event is being promoted by SUNY Broome Sports Management students.



Broome County Government Security Recruiting Table on May 2

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The Broome County Government Security Division will be tabling Wednesday, May 2, 2018, from 10:20 to 10:50 a.m. on the first floor of the Business Building, next to the student lounge. They will be providing information on available positions of Security

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Job applications can be located

at: <http://www.gobroomecounty.com/files/personnel/pdfs/EmployApp.pdf>. Students interested in applying, are encouraged to bring and drop off completed applications on May 2.



May 3 Common Hour: Diversity Discussions

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At 11 a.m. May 3 in T-102, join our panelists, campus leaders in diversity matters, for a discussion of some of the important diversity issues relevant to your campus experience and your future work experience.

Discuss how to demonstrate awareness of the expanding diversity in the workforce, and how sexual harassment is an issue of growing concern among companies concerned about the safety of the work environment as well as the legal exposure that unsafe workplaces create.



PTA Club Hosts Southern Tier APTA Annual Meeting

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The Physical Therapist Assistant Club hosted the Southern Tier District's Annual APTA meeting on April 25, 2018, in Decker 128.

Joey Feliciano and Mitch Holland, two senior PTA students presented a very informative in service on "Mirror Therapy" to approximately 30 local physical therapists, physical therapist assistants and students. All those in attendance also took part in an educational presentation on pain science offered by Mike Castello DPT.

It was a wonderful educational event for our students and local clinicians.



In the Community: Southern Tier Lyme Disease Conference on May 5

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Southern Tier Lyme Support, Inc., and Binghamton University Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Research are holding the Southern Tier Lyme Disease Conference 2018 on Saturday, May 5, at BU's Innovative Technologies Complex.

Guest speakers include:

- Dr. Ralph Garruto, Binghamton University Professor of Biomedical Anthropology, on “The Future of Lyme and Other Tick-Borne Diseases in Upstate New York”
- Amanda Roome, Binghamton University anthropology Ph.D. candidate, on “The Spread of Lyme Disease in the Northeast: Ticks, Human Health and Public Policy”
- Robert Giguere, iGeneX Inc. sales director, on “Staying Ahead of the Plague”
- Dr. Ronald Stram, M.D., on “An Integrative Approach for the Treatment of Lyme Disease: Bridging the Information Gap”
- Dr. Richard Horowitz, M.D., ILADS, on “Updates in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Lyme and Tick-Borne Disorders”

The conference is open both to the community and to medical professionals. The cost is \$75 for physicians and \$5 for the public. Check-in runs from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., and speakers will present from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. There will be a lunch break from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with a limited menu cafe on site. The doors will stay open until 7 p.m.

All attendees must register to attend. There will be an additional \$10 late

registration fee at the door.

For details and to register, visit www.southerntirelymesupport.org.



Learning to fail: Spurred by disappointment, Joshua improves as a filmmaker and an artist

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Joshua Wahl



Joshua Wahl

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A Union-Endicott High School graduate, Joshua Wahl originally saw himself attending a four-year college out of the gate. His mother, however, suggested SUNY Broome as a smart way to take needed prerequisite courses while getting a good academic footing. It worked for her; she attended SUNY Broome before transferring and later graduating from St. John Fisher College, Joshua said.

He agreed to give his local community college a try. As a Presidential Honor Scholar, he received a full-ride scholarship, a smart start by any measure.

Originally skeptical about the benefits of a two-year degree, he fell in love with the Communication & Media Arts program and is glad he stayed to graduate.

“It’s not only production, but media and how we communicate. It has opened my mind; I’m looking at the world in a different way,” he said. “Who I am now is not the same person as I was in terms of artistry.”

A passion for film

Wahl first became interested in the world of film when he was five years old and wanted to become an actor. During his early years, performance called to him, everything from magic tricks to stand-up comedy to musical theater. When he was 13, however, he began to consider another aspect of performance: the view behind the camera.

He began to question what makes something good and what movies, film and other media were trying to say, the stories they sought to tell and the messages behind them. In high school, he avidly watched Aaron Sorkin’s *The Newsroom* and was enthralled by the screenwriter’s work.

He wanted to write, film and create, not just act, he determined. And he had a vision of what he wanted to create: dramas with snappy dialogue, with storytelling arcs and an underlying message. He also drew inspiration from director David Fincher, writer-director Christopher Nolan and other luminaries in the field, and kept questioning what makes a film good.

Storytelling that allows the viewer to connect with characters in the film is a must; people must be able to connect their own stories to the ones they are witnessing. Take, for example, what Wahl considers the standout film of 2017: *Ladybird*.

“It was a perfect year in the life of a character, a perfect moment in time. It felt so personable,” Joshua said.

Getting to the level of excellence seen in films such as *Ladybird*, however, takes years of honing one’s craft and learning all the ins and outs of the media world.

Wahl’s classes help him gain that needed experience. For his classes, he has worked on lighting projects, interview packages, short films, informational videos and even a music video. Each class approaches film production in a different way so that students gain the skills they need, he said.

He deeply appreciates the mentorship of his professors, who are experienced in the field. One standout is his video productions professor, Chris Keaty.



“He gave us a lot of creative control and also kept us grounded. He’s very friendly and open,” Wahl said.

Student Ambassador

While you can mostly find him behind a camera or video production console these days, Joshua Wahl hasn’t entirely given up his love for performance. As a Student Ambassador, he works as a campus tour guide. Leading tours draws on those acting skills, as he tries to inspire excitement and enthusiasm in his audience – in this case, prospective students and their families.

Wahl is currently weighing the next step in his journey to become a filmmaker. He has already been accepted by SUNY Fredonia, Ithaca College and Long Island University Post, and is waiting to hear back from New York University and Columbia University.

Looking back, he remembered a stray comment from a high school teacher that may have skewed his initial perception of SUNY Broome. The teacher referred to it as “13th grade” – something Wahl found to be very untrue.

The academics, the resources available to students and the sense of community are comparable to four-year colleges, Joshua said.

“Each semester changes you in more ways than one, whether as a student or as a person,” he said. “Coming here is a great choice.”



NYC Museum Trip & Live Performance on May 2

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Travel to New York City, visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art and attend a Selected Shorts live performance on May 2!
Sign-ups for the trip are in the Student Activities Office. A \$45 deposit is required; you'll get \$20 back when you board the bus and \$10 back when you board the bus to return home — as long as you've attended both places. Plus, get a free t-shirt!



Mark your calendars: #MeToo founder to speak at SUNY Broome on May 8

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#MeToo founder Tarana Burke

Just last week, #MeToo founder Tarana Burke was named one of Time Magazine's Most Influential People of 2018 and featured on the cover of the magazine!

You'll have the chance to see her live — for free — from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m. May 8 at the Baldwin Gym in the SUNY Broome Student Center. Burke will share the heartbreaking story behind the genesis of the #MeToo movement, while empowering those who have experienced sexual trauma or harassment.



#MeToo founder Tarana Burke

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Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with Burke's presentation to follow at 6:30 p.m. and a Question and Answer session from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. A VIP Reception will follow the program.

The event is free and open to the public.

The Women's Institute of SUNY Broome Community College exists to advance women's Issues through education, research, and local, state, and national outreach in areas of modern day concerns important to women.



Need help? Openings available at the Student Success Squad

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Student Success Squad (openings available)

What we do: Think of college as a forest with many paths. One can easily get lost; we are the GPS. We offer academic coaching, referral services and guidance to SUNY Broome students.

Who we serve: In order to take advantage of our services, you must fall under one of the following categories: income-eligible, a first-generation college student (neither parent has a bachelor's degree), or you have a learning difference.

Contact Information

The Student Success Squad (SSS) offices are located on the lower level of the Library. For appointments and information, call the SSS secretary at 607-778-5150.



Fascinated by forensics, Elena finds her future with a degree in Homeland Security

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Elena Honovich



Elena Honovich

‘I met a lot of good people’

The political and economic situation are difficult in Moldova, a small Eastern European country that was once part of the Soviet Union, Honovich acknowledged.

Elena had wanted to come to the United States since she was 15 years old, and took part in an exchange program that allowed her to work and travel in the United States for a summer. She cherished the chance to see New York City, a city she came to love and, for a while, call home.

“I met my husband and the rest is history,” she said.

While she had studied psychology and educational success in her homeland, the United States opened a new realm of educational possibilities. A friend graduated from SUNY Broome’s Criminal Justice program and Honovich decided to follow suit.

College could be challenging at times, and occasionally Honovich had to translate her coursework into her native Romanian and back to English. Like many Europeans, she is a polyglot.

“I know four languages and I’m learning a couple more. Over there, we are encouraged to learn more languages,” she said. In fact, she’s learning Spanish this semester.

She opted to major in Homeland Security, appreciating the range of subjects covered in the coursework. In her final semester, in addition to Spanish, she is taking classes in forensics, hazardous materials, criminal procedure, constitutional law, and fitness.

Favorite professors include Criminal Justice and Emergency Services (CJES) instructors Mary and Steven Yurenda, who have backgrounds in the New York State Police, as well as Professor Darin Schmidt. Professor James Sheerin has also been a supportive mentor and guide.

Honovich particularly loves classes with labs, and the opportunity to explore concepts in a hands-on way, she said. One of the first lab classes she took was criminal investigations, which inspired her love of forensics.

After graduation, she will transfer to Excelsior College to earn her bachelor’s degree in investigative forensics, and then seek work in the field. Police work is preferable, but careers in an embassy or in a forensics lab are on the table, too.

A member of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society, Elena Honovich is also busy outside the classroom. She and her husband own a restaurant, Food Fusion Bar and Grill, in Endicott.

While she juggles work with her studies like many students, she is glad she made the commitment to education and her future.

“I met a lot of good people here,” she said. “I never expected to be able to graduate in the United States.”

In some senses, it seems natural that Elena Honovich should aspire to become a police officer.

Her uncle and brother served in the military, and her grandfather fought in World War II. She has always been fascinated by uniforms and those who wear them and, as she puts it, “being disciplined runs in my blood.”

But in her native Moldova, that dream was out of reach.

“I always wanted to be a police officer, but back in Europe it’s a very difficult process and police officers are not respected,” said Honovich, who came to the United States in 2012.

As she leads the Business and Professional Services division during Commencement 2018, Honovich will be one step closer to achieving that dream.

“I’m excited! I’m a student marshal, so I can’t wait to put on my golden robe,” she said.

Learn more about our Homeland Security program.

Apply today.



College Assembly to meet April 30

April 27, 2018

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College Assembly will meet at 3 p.m. Monday, April 30, 2018, in the Darwin R. Wales Center's Gary Alan Bosket Conference Room (Wales 203B). The agenda is attached.

20180430 Ca Agenda (PDF)

For more information on CA please

visit: <http://www2.sunybroome.edu/shared-governance/college-assembly/>

All CA meetings are open to the campus community.



Roadwork may impact your commute on Monday, April 30

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Commuters, be aware: The New York State Department of Transportation will be conducting bridge work that may impact your commute on Monday, April 30.

Work will occur on Front Street between Bevier and Prospect streets from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Traffic may be held up for 15 minutes at a time. **Please leave extra time for your commute!**

Also, in approximately two weeks, the DOT will be reconstructing Front Street between Bevier and Prospect streets, which could also mean delays.



SUNY Broome to honor high school seniors who excel in math, science

April 27, 2018

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SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm will present the Frank G. Paul Medals of Excellence in Math and Science to outstanding high school seniors from the Southern Tier region at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, in Decker Health Sciences Room 201.

The recognition includes a medal and a cash award for the top-scoring female and male students in math and science from area schools. Additionally, medal recipients who are planning to attend SUNY Broome will be considered for one of two \$1,000 Francis and Lillian Paul Scholarships for SUNY Broome's Engineering Science program. Students receiving this scholarship also will be eligible for a transfer scholarship of \$1,000 upon graduation to complete their bachelor's degree if criteria are met.

The event will feature guest speaker Diana Labelle, SUNY Broome alumna and assistant professor and co-chair of Engineering Technologies, and Rebecca Komorowski, daughter of Francis and Lillian Paul. The program is sponsored by the Broome Community College Foundation.

This year's medal recipients, by high school, are:

BINGHAMTON

Emily Pogson

Ranger Agte

CHENANGO FORKS

Hannah Andrus

Dylan Palmer

CHENANGO VALLEY

Alaina Carman

Matthew Pecha

DEPOSIT

Emma Walker

Cooper Hall

GREENE

Gloria Stracquadanio

Nolan Scofield

HARPURSVILLE

Amber Birt

Trevor Hanson

JOHNSON CITY

Stacy Safari

Tanner Wallis

MAINE-ENDWELL

Lily Matthews

John King Jr.

OWEGO

Abigail Higgins

John McDonald

SETON CATHOLIC

Taylor Nicolich

Ian Tschang

SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY

Kelly Cady

Jared Tyler



UNION- ENDICOTT

Courtney George
Mohammad Ali Moghaddasi

VESTAL

Alexis VanDonsel
Alexander Anisimov

WHITNEY POINT

Kelly Perry
Noah Hust

WINDSOR

Kendyl Gorick
Patrick Root



Superheroes: Third annual PTA 5K is a huge success

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The Physical Therapist Assistant Program held their third annual PTA Club 5K on April 21, 2018, at the Rail Trail in Vestal.



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The Physical Therapist Assistant Program held their third annual PTA Club 5K on April 21, 2018, at the Rail Trail in Vestal. Eighty-seven participants, decked out in their “Superhero” finery, raced to the finish.

The PTA Club would like to thank all the SUNY Broome faculty, staff, students and alumni — including dozens of past PTA Program graduates — for your generous support of this event. We cannot wait to see you again next year! A great time was had by all.



PTA Club to hold Pound fitness event on May 11

April 29, 2018

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Join the SUNY Broome PTA Club for their Pound fitness event from 7 to 8 p.m. May 11, 2018, at Jam Fitness at 140 Vestal Parkway E # 3.

Please contact Jam Fitness directly at 607-953-5267 to register as there is a 45-person registration limit. The cost of the event is \$15.

It promises to be a fun time with black-lights, music and of course drumsticks and a little bit of sweat! If you have questions, please feel free to contact Julianne Klepfer 778-5329.



The Monday Poem: 'Ghazal' by Alicia Ostriker

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The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Jim Gormley of the English Department. Enjoy!

Ghazal: America the Beautiful

Alicia Ostriker, 1937

Do you remember our earnestness our sincerity
in first grade when we learned to sing America
The Beautiful along with the Star-Spangled Banner
and say the Pledge of Allegiance to America
We put our hands over our first grade hearts
we felt proud to be citizens of America
I said One Nation Invisible until corrected
maybe I was right about America
School days school days dear old Golden Rule Days
when we learned how to behave in America
What to wear, how to smoke, how to despise our parents
who didn't understand us or America
Only later learning the *Banner* and the *Beautiful*
live on opposite sides of the street in America
Only later discovering the Nation is divisible
by money by power by color by gender by sex America
We comprehend it now this land is two lands
one triumphant bully one still hopeful America
Imagining amber waves of grain blowing in the wind
purple mountains and no homeless in America
Sometimes I still put my hand tenderly on my heart
somehow or other still carried away by America

Alicia Ostriker

Born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1937, Alicia Ostriker has been a finalist for both the National Book Award and the Lenore Marshall Poetry Prize. She currently serves as a Chancellor of the Academy of American Poets.

Chris Origer in the English Department recommended this poem. It's a ghazal. The ghazal is composed of a minimum of five couplets—and typically no more than fifteen—that are structurally, thematically, and emotionally autonomous. Each line of the poem must be of the same length, though meter is not imposed in English. The first couplet introduces a scheme, made up of a rhyme followed by a refrain. Subsequent couplets pick up the same scheme in the second line only, repeating the refrain and rhyming the second line with both lines of the first stanza. The final couplet usually includes the poet's signature, referring to the author in the first or third person, and frequently including the poet's own name or a derivation of its meaning.

Traditionally invoking melancholy, love, longing, and metaphysical questions, ghazals are often sung by Iranian, Indian, and Pakistani musicians. The form has roots in seventh-century Arabia, and gained prominence in the thirteenth- and fourteenth-century.



Students to the rescue: Mock Environmental Disaster Event on May 4

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A bus crash that sends a mysterious powder into the air. A stage collapse. Multiple car crashes, and forces of nature. These are just some of the mass-casualty disasters SUNY Broome students have tackled in their annual Mock Environmental Disaster drill, which allows them to hone their skills as first-responders, medical professionals and more.

What will 2018 hold? Find out on Friday, May 4, when our seventh annual Mock Environmental Disaster begins promptly at 2 p.m.

The drill will take place near the Annex Building. **Please be aware that this is a scheduled learning event and there is no emergency.**

Students from programs across campus gain valuable real-life experience in their field of study as they participate in the mock environmental exposure disaster. Departments involved in the effort include Medical Assisting, Nursing, Health Information Technology, Radiologic Technology, Physical Therapist Assistant, Dental Hygiene, Clinical Laboratory Technologies, Criminal Justice and Emergency Services, Communications, Hospitality, Business Information Technology, Special Events and Productions, Office of Marketing & Communications, Public Safety and Chemistry.

Members of the community who participate in the event include, but are not limited to Chenango Fire, Tioga County Health Department, and the Broome Ambulance.

As in previous years, the mock disaster event will involve multiple victims. Students must care for these victims using skills and knowledge learned in their respective programs. Faculty will monitor the activity providing feedback as necessary.

Students will find out what disaster awaits them on the day of the event, in order to learn how to manage a scene without prior knowledge or details.

For more information contact **Erin O'Hara-Leslie**, Chairperson Medical Assisting & Health Studies, (607) 778-5495.



Discuss #MeToo on college campus May 1

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Join the SUNY Broome Women's Institute and Professors Carla Michalak and Kathleen McKenna for a presentation about sexual harassment and sexual assault on college campuses in 2018. The event will run from 11 to 11:50 a.m. May 1 in Titchener Hall Room 101.

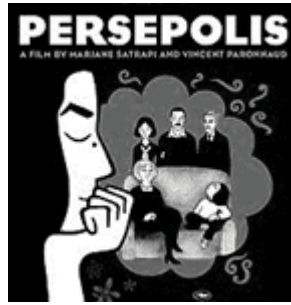
Dean Scott Schuhert, Title IX Coordinator, and Human Resources Specialist Paige Sedlacek will speak briefly about resources available to students and staff on the SUNY Broome campus.

Also, be sure to attend the lecture by #MeToo founder Tarana Burke at 6:30 p.m. on May 8 in the Baldwin Gym.



May 9 film screening: 'Persepolis'

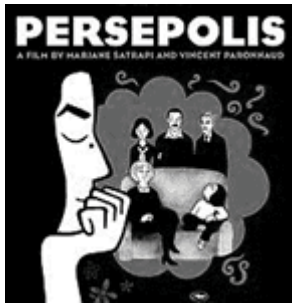
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Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 2007 film "Persepolis," directed by Marjane Satrapi and Vincent Paronnaud.

The poignant story of a young girl in Iran during the Islamic Revolution. It is through the eyes of precocious and outspoken nine year old Marjane that we see a people's hopes dashed as fundamentalists take power.

Part of PTK's International Film Series, the film starts at 7 p.m. May 9 in TH 101.



Broome County Government Security Recruiting Table on May 2

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The Broome County Government Security Division will be tabling Wednesday, May 2, 2018, from 10:20 to 10:50 a.m. on the first floor of the Business Building, next to the student lounge. They will be providing information on available positions of Security

Officer: <http://www.gobroomecounty.com/files/personnel/pdfs/specs/R794.pdf>

and Parking Attendant:

<https://gobroomecounty.co.broome.ny.us/files/R606Parking%20Attendant.pdf>

Job applications can be located

at: <http://www.gobroomecounty.com/files/personnel/pdfs/EmployApp.pdf>. Students interested in applying, are encouraged to bring and drop off completed applications on May 2.



Professor Grace to receive Inspiration Educator Award from Clarkson

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SUNY Broome Associate Professor Thomas Grace will receive a Clarkson University Inspirational Educator Award, and will be honored during Clarkson's Commencement ceremonies on May 11 and 12.

Professor Grace, who teaches in the Engineering Science and Physics Department, was nominated for the award by Christopher Diaz, one of his former students.

Congratulations, Professor Grace!



BCC Foundation to award more than 200 scholarships to SUNY Broome Students on May 3

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The Broome Community College Foundation will hold its annual Scholarship Reception at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 3, in SUNY Broome's Ice Center.

The Foundation will award more than 200 merit-based scholarships to nearly 300 students during the event. The Foundation also supports more than 1,200 students with need-based grants-in-aid, awarded to students through Financial Aid.

There will be an all-campus awards presentation at 6 p.m. Awards for the four academic divisions – Business and Professional Studies, Health Sciences, Liberal Arts, and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics – will begin at 7 p.m.

Attendance at the event is expected to exceed 500, including students, their guests, donors, campus faculty and staff, representatives from local corporations and organizations, SUNY Broome Trustees, and members of the BCC Foundation Board.

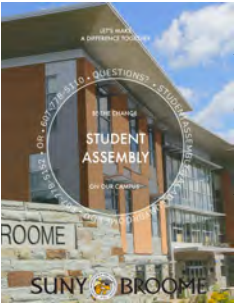
The BCC Foundation awarded over \$1,300,000 in support in 2017 and is projected to exceed that amount again this year.

The Foundation also will award many merit scholarships to incoming SUNY Broome freshmen for the Fall 2018 semester; they are recognized at the awards ceremony at their local high schools.



Make a Difference: Join Student Assembly this fall!

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Students, get involved in campus and join Student Assembly! All Student Assembly positions will be up for election in Fall 2018.

Student Assembly's Mission is to promote the general welfare of the student body, to provide programs of educational, cultural, recreational and social value, and to promote within the college a spirit of harmony among administration, faculty, staff and students.

Student Assembly gives students representation in the college's administration, helps run committees and represents the interests of students.

Questions? Email Student Assembly at studentassembly@acad.sunybroome.edu or call Student Activities at (607) 778-5033 for more information.



Art with heart: Alumni display their talents at annual art show

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Featured News



Ashlynn Kelley, center; LAAS 2016, discusses her artwork at the opening reception for the Alumni Art Show.



Left to right: Stinger, retired Vice President Regina Losinger, alumna Ashlynn Kelley, Executive Vice President Francis Battisti

Rendered with stunning realism in oil, St. Anthony cradled a baby. Across the room, an elder from Papua New Guinea peered out from under an elaborate headdress woven of his own hair. Abstract swathes of color danced across a large canvas, while flowers bloomed in all their painted glories.

A wide range of talent is only display at SUNY Broome's Alumni Art Show, on display until May 9 at the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, located on the first floor of the library.

An opening reception was held during Alumni Weekend on April 28, and drew members of both the campus community and the larger community.

Exhibiting artists include: Alex Stella, Richard Nolan, Milan Kadlecik, Conrad Steigerwald, Cheryl Kurosky, Eli Foote, Anthony Hanakovic, Gerald Newby, Eileen Snyder, Kayla McCoy, Ashlyn Kelley, Dexter Holmes, David Meeker (In memory of), Jessica Petrylak, Kevin Campbell, Ashley Skinner, Gloria McCormick, Patty Harlow, Rebecca Inman, Anna Shafer, Diana Lenzo, Carol Young, Regina Losinger, Sharon Slilaty, Terry Ryan, Maria DeRosa, Nicholas Timko, Grace Solano, Stephany Griswold and Theresa Haynes.

The many paths to art

Some of the alumni studied art at SUNY Broome and continue to pursue the field.

Maria DeRosa, a 2016 graduate, took painting classes with SUNY Broome Professors Hall Groat and David Zeggert. She is now finishing up a degree in art and communications at SUNY Oneonta.

Her large painting of lavender flowers dominated the wall, bestowing a chilly day with a vision of springtime. She typically paints flowers and enjoys the shapes found in nature, she said.

"I like bright colors. I usually do a deeper color in the background," she said of her art. While she doesn't know what the future holds, she definitely plans to

continue painting, she said.



1966 graduate Conrad Steigerwald contributed some of his woodworking, including the Gazelle Table





Ashlynn Kelley, center, LAAS 2016, discusses her artwork at the opening reception for the Alumni Art Show.

Others have followed a different course. Richard Nolan, a 1979 graduate, spent his career as a mechanical engineer, designer and business owner, turning to art after retirement. His abstract sculptures are made from wood and



Richard Nolan created abstract wood sculptures.



Lavender flowers by Maria DeRosa

feature seamless joins and sinuous shapes.

Regina Losinger, a 1978 graduate who served as SUNY Broome's Vice President for Administrative and Financial Affairs before retiring in 2016, also has an artistic side few know about. Her intricate

drawings of nature are on display beside her daughter Ashlynn Kelley's oil painting of the Eagle Nebula. Ashlynn is a 2016 LAAS graduate from the college.

"It usually hangs in our dining room. The depth of it is incredible. It really draws you in," Losinger said about Ashlynn's painting.



St. Anthony by LAGS '00 graduate Anthony Hanakovic

One of his paintings depicts the historic Ely Tower, which once accorded an incredible five-county view from the top of Mount Prospect. It toppled over in December 1908, just 15 years after it was built. Kadlecik reconstructed the landscape by viewing historical photographs.

"I started experimenting and I came up with some techniques," said the self-taught artist. "I just enjoy it; it's relaxing."

A member of the Broome Community College Foundation's Board of Directors, Cheryl Kurosky is a 1976 graduate of the college. She is also a world traveler who takes incredible photographs of her many journeys, and can tell you the cultural details behind each image.

"I've been to all seven continents and 90 countries so far," said Kurosky. That includes a 1993 jaunt to Antarctica and a 1994 journey to Laos, soon after it first opened to tourism. This year's planned journeys include Spain and Portugal.

While 1959 graduate Milan Kadlecik always loved art, he followed a career path into engineering. Retirement has brought new life to an old hobby, and two of his oil paintings are on display in the exhibit.



Cheryl Kurosky and her photos





A natural scene created by 1979 graduate Regina Losinger



A closer look at Cheryl Kurosky's photo of a Mursi Woman



Milan Kadlecik and his painting of Ely Tower



American Mission Art painting by 1971 LA graduate Gerald Newby



Glass art by 1982 LAAA graduate Diana Lenzo





Photography by 2016 graduate Sharon Slilaty



This untitled piece on fabric is by 2011 LAGA graduate Dexter Holmes



David with the Head of Goliath by 2000 graduate Anthony Hanakovic



A tradition of excellence: SUNY Broome celebrates 50 years of nursing

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SUNY Broome nursing alumni, faculty and staff gather during the Alumni Reunion for a photo.



SUNY Broome nursing alumni, faculty and staff gather during the Alumni Reunion for a photo.

are involved in a truly dazzling variety of roles, all the way up to highly trained nurse practitioners who see and treat patients,” reflected SUNY Broome Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti, who was a student himself when the nursing program began.

Nursing took center stage during the recent Alumni Reunion. During the President’s reception, alumni – nurses and non-nurses alike – gathered for a ceremony recognizing the program’s half-century of accomplishment. Governor Andrew Cuomo also wrote a letter praising the program’s commitment to care, which was read to the crowd by a representative of his office.



A representative from the governor’s office reads a letter praising SUNY Broome’s Nursing program for its commitment to excellence.

two members of that original Nursing class – now retired – up to the podium, along with two current Nursing students, both men wearing scrubs in

In the fall of 1967, Broome Tech’s first nursing students began their education. Lois Roach headed the department in those early days, and that first class of 27 students – all of them women – graduated in 1969.

While the focus on care, compassion and excellence are the same as today, the Broome Tech nursing program operated in a much different world. There was no high-tech Decker Health Sciences Building; that opened in 1998. Instead, the Nursing program operated out of the now-demolished 901 Front St. for years in rather Spartan accommodations.

They wore white hats, white stockings and white dresses, in contrasts to today’s lanyards and multicolored scrubs. The roles they filled were different, too.

“In those early days, nurses had more limitations on what they could do professionally. These days, they



Vintage nursing memorabilia

“Sooner or later, everyone ends up in the doctor’s office — and chances are, the nurses there received their training at SUNY Broome. Or maybe your medical provider is a nurse practitioner, which is increasingly common – and they may have received the first step of their training here as well,” noted SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm.

At the reception, college officials, alumni, faculty and staff also showed their appreciation to Professor Linda Jowett, who retired in December after 25 years in the classroom. Jowett is an alumna herself, graduating in 1979 while raising four children. She went on to earn degrees from Binghamton University, becoming a nurse practitioner specializing in family practice.

She started teaching as an adjunct in 1993, balancing teaching with her healthcare work. After a decade, she shifted the balance and began teaching full-time, focusing on training the next generation of healthcare providers.

“Linda perhaps embodies every one of you here in that she has the common characteristics of a nurse, that include love, work and knowledge,” said 1978 Nursing alumna and retired Nursing Professor Jennifer Houghtalen.

Like Houghtalen and Jowett, many of the program’s instructors are also SUNY Broome graduates, and have demanding careers in the field.

At the end of the ceremony, Nursing Chair Susan Seibold-Simpson invited

SUNY Broome gold.



Memorabilia from the college's Broome Tech days

“We can’t do it without the next generation,” said Seibold-Simpson, reflecting on the profession’s future. “Nursing is a family in this community.”



Members of SUNY Broome's current class meet with members of the original 1969 class at the Alumni Reunion



Support the American Cancer Society Relay for Life 2018

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The 2018 Broome-Tioga American Cancer Society – **Relay for Life** event returns to Vestal on June 2 at **Sammon Field!** Please join the Biology Department in supporting our SUNY Broome **Relay for Life Team, SUNY Broome Cancer Away.** To donate, visit <http://goo.gl/P2HjRj>
For additional information, visit http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?fr_id=85885&pg=entry or contact Phyllis O'Donnell at odonnellpm@sunybroome.edu.
You do not have to attend to help in the fight against cancer. Thank you for your support!

