

The Focus

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March 3 Common Hour Event: The Trump Factor

February 29, 2016

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Why are non-politicians so popular right now? Have we lost all faith in political professionals or have we just decided it's time to broaden the range of our elected officials?

Join a discussion led by faculty presenter Carla Michalak at 11 a.m. March 3 in T-101.



March 3 Common Hour Event: Concept Mapping

February 29, 2016

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Join Professor Bill Altman, an expert in education psychology, for an introduction to concept mapping at 11 a.m. March 3 in T-102. Learn how to organize your learning in a graphic way. This session is based on a presentation Dr. Altman did at a national conference on excellence in teaching.

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So You Want to Write a Book? Find out how on March 3

February 29, 2016

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Have you ever wondered about composing and publishing a book? Some faculty at SUNY Broome have published books/textbooks during their years of teaching. Join a small panel of authors from among us and mine their experiences on the path from imagining your book to having the first copy mailed to you.

When: Thursday, March 3, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 11:50 am

Where: TRC Lab

Panelists: Dr. Michael Kinney, Steven Call, Thomas Grace, Kenneth Mansfield and Luis Moreno.

Register: [Register Here](#)

Scholastic Book Fair from March 10 through 16

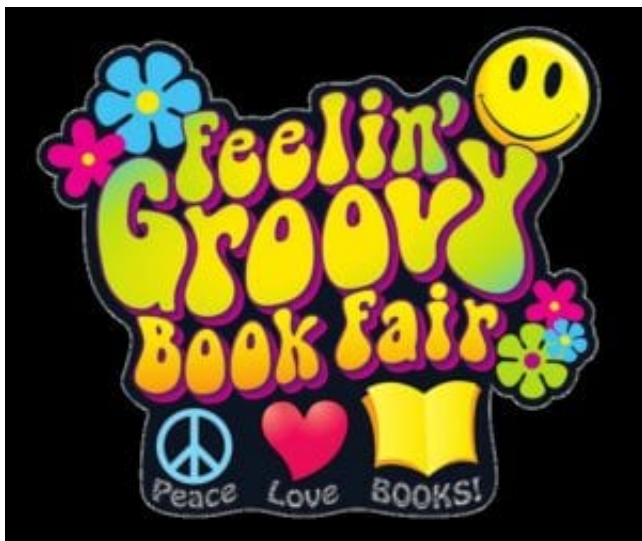
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Broome Educator of Children Association (BECA) will holding its semi-annual Scholastic Book Fair from Thursday, March 10, through Wednesday, March 16 in the Titchener lobby.

Funds raised will support the BECA community initiatives and professional development opportunities.



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Delegate sought for NYS Teachers Retirement System

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To those enrolled in NYS Teachers Retirement System (NYSTRS):

SUNY Broome is entitled to have a delegate to represent their NYSTRS members. A delegate is responsible for electing a teacher member to the NYS TRS Board at the Annual Delegates Meeting held in November. The delegate may also act as a liaison between NYSTRS and the members of the college.

A delegate must be a full time employee and a current NYSTRS member. It is also a good idea to have an alternate. The delegates term begins 8/1/16. If anyone is interested in being a delegate or alternate please contact Paige Sedlacek X5213 by 4/1/16 . If more than one person is interested in being a delegate, the college will hold an election among the NYS TRS members.

For more information, see the website at <http://www.nystrs.org/main/delegates/>



Titchener coffee shop to close at 6 p.m. daily

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Starting today, Feb. 29, the Titchener coffee shop will be closing at 6 p.m. daily.

Turn your challenges into strengths: Student2Student on March 9

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Turn your challenges into strengths with Student2Student, an Imagine Success event from 3 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, in Science Building Room 105.

Students will have an opportunity to learn from successful peers who have overcome adversity. Student panelists will share their experiences and the lessons learned for others to relate to and benefit from.

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Intent to graduate form is due

February 29, 2016

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The intent to graduate form is due in the Registrar's office, SS 105, for those students who are graduating at the end of the spring or summer 2016 semesters.

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Upcoming Professional Development Events

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Blackboard (Bb) 1-2-3 Face-to-Face Training

This workshop series is an introduction to using the Bb learning management system for instructors teaching online or supplementing their face-to-face courses with an online component. This training provides an overview of the Bb environment with a hands-on opportunity to try out the various Bb tools.

When: Two Consecutive Tuesdays; March 1st & 8th, 2016 (**You must be able to attend both sessions**)

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenters: Carine Surdey & Catagay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#) (few seats still available)

3D (Dine, Discuss Diversity) Series

Ageism- It Works Both Ways and You Can Opt Out

The 3D lunch series was conceived of as a way for the campus community to learn and share ideas about various aspects of diversity. Having open, honest and insightful conversations about diversity, in a friendly and civil atmosphere, is one of the first steps in promoting a just, fair, and inclusive environment for students, faculty, and staff.

When: Wednesday, March 2nd 2016

Time: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Where: Wales 203B

Presenters: The President's Task Force

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Topics: All dates are Wednesdays, 12:00 – 1:00 pm in Wales 203B

March 9th: The Science of Racism

March 16th: LGBT- Alphabet of Difference?

March 30th: Redskins, Blackhawks, The Fighting Irish, and the New England Patriots-What's in a Name?

April 6th: Why Diversity Training? Does it Work?

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Advising for New Faculty

Learn about the advising responsibilities of teaching faculty. Gain perspective on advising from an experienced faculty member. And get introduced to the Academic Advising Training and Development Course.

When: Monday, March 7, 2016

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Panelists: Tom Quain

Register: [Register Here](#)

Faculty Advising Refresher

Faculty and Staff at SUNY Broome provide excellent academic advising for our students. Through ongoing partnerships, great communication and dialogue, we can best promote our students’ success. Please join us for an engaging conversation about academic advising.

When: Monday, March 7, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Panelists: Tom Quain

Register: [Register Here](#)

Doctoral Colloquium Presentations

“The Leadership Vacuum: An ethnography of the first year of an experienced president taking the reins of a high-profile community college”

Doctoral candidates writing a dissertation will have the opportunity to present to the campus community their dissertation topics and research methodologies. The discussions primarily are intended to assist those doctoral candidates preparing their dissertation defenses as well as those individuals in the initial stages of making a dissertation proposal or those who are in the process of writing the dissertation. This opportunity also is available to those who already have completed their doctorate and wish to present and discuss their research.

When: Wednesday, March 9th, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Where: TRC Conference Room
Presenter: Dr. Kevin Drumm

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Topics: All dates are Wednesdays, 3:00 – 4:30 pm in the TRC Conference room

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 Dr. Christopher Origer “*Amnesia: A dystopian novel that investigates, in fiction, the relationship between atrocity and collective amnesia, and the roles a citizen must inevitably confront, as participant, spectator, or victim.*”

Wednesday, May 11, 2016 Dr. Joan Koster ” *Bookmarking racism: Challenging white privilege through children’s literature and participatory action research in a suburban school.*”

Bb Advanced: Collaborate

Blackboard Collaborate is an online synchronous tool that can be used to engage learners, encourage collaboration, accommodate students at a distance, and enhance online communication. Participants in this session will receive an overview of Blackboard Collaborate.

When: Friday, March 11, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: NSC 107 Lab

Presenter: Carine Surdey & Cagatay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#) (few seats still available)

The Value of Diversity in the Classroom

Research indicates that the sooner a student feels engaged with the college experience the higher the probability that they will reach their academic goals. Join your colleagues for a discussion of a new on boarding process for our campus and other initiatives for enhancing student engagement. Bring your ideas.

When: Thursday, March 31, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: Wales 203B

Presenter: Dr. Frances Battisti

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Dates: All dates are Thursdays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm in Wales 203B

April 21st

May 12th

Biology students learn from Guthrie Valve Clinic coordinator

February 29, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



Students from the Human Biology classes attended a special event on Wednesday, February 24, presented by Guy Rogers, MPAS, PA-C, Guthrie Valve Clinic coordinator.

Students learned about the Physician Assistant Profession and advancements in the surgical treatment of aortic stenosis. Attendees were able to see and handle different types of valves developed for surgical replacement.

Students were excited to connect actual clinical cases with their study of cardiovascular physiology in their Human Biology classes. The students and faculty thank Guy Rogers for taking his time on an icy morning to share his expertise with the campus community!



Wellness Challenge Registration is Open!

February 29, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

Do you have your team together? Online registration is open!

To register, go to broome.mywellnesschallenge.org and click on “register” at the upper right. Team captains will need to register first to set up the team and then team members would choose “join a team.”

Put our kick off event on your calendar for March 15. More information is available at <https://mycollege.sunybroome.edu/web/events/wellness-challenge>

Don't forget to send in your registration fee once you are registered. The Challenge starts March 7, so register today! Questions? Contact Heidi Melzer by email or at ext 5053.

Yum! Multicultural Dinner will be on March 11

February 28, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The International Student Organization would like to invite you to their annual Multicultural Dinner at 5 p.m. Friday, March 11, in Decker 201.

Venture into enticing, exquisite and scrumptious cultural food from around the world — prepared especially for you by SUNY Broome's international students.

Tickets are \$10 and available from Maria (Ext 5030), Loreta (Ext 5162 – L017) or any ISO member.



The Monday Poem: ‘Nights Our House Comes to Life’

February 28, 2016

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

Nights Our House Comes to Life

by [Matthew Brennan](#)

Some nights in midwinter when the creek clogs
With ice and the spines of fir trees stiffen
Under a blank, frozen sky,
On these nights our house comes to life.
It happens when you're half asleep:
A sudden crack, a fractured dream, you bolting
Upright—but all you can hear is the clock
Your great-grandfather found in 1860
And smuggled here from Dublin for his future bride,
A being as unknown to him then as she is now
To you, a being as distant as the strangers
Who built this house, and died in this room
Some cold, still night, like tonight,
When all that was heard were the rhythmic clicks
Of a pendulum, and something, barely audible,
Moving on the dark landing of the attic stairs.



Save a Life: Blood Drive on March 9 and 10

February 28, 2016

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The Clinical Lab Tech and Medical Assisting departments are hosting a blood drive in the atrium of the Applied Technology Building from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, March 9 and 10.

Sign-ups for the blood drive will take place in the lobbies of the Student Center and Titchner Buildings on Thursday and Friday March 3 and 4. Walk-in are also welcome during the blood drive. Please give blood!



Video: Engineering Open House

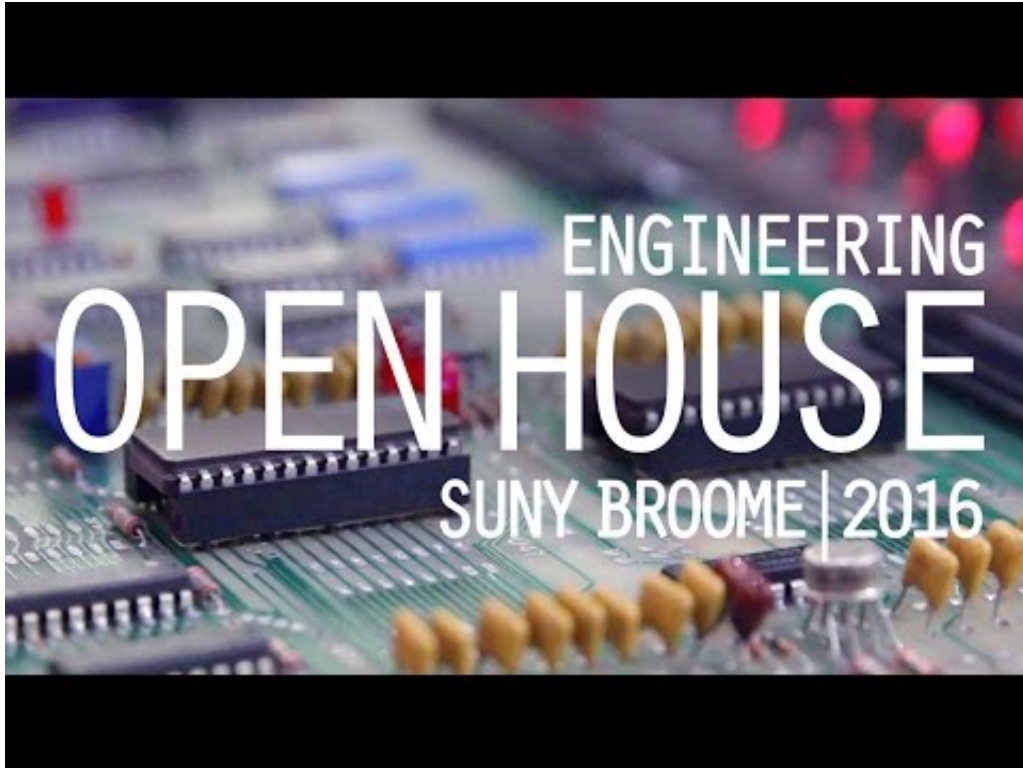
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Couldn't make our Engineering Open House? See it on video!

Engineering Open House | SUNY Broome

 https://youtube.com/watch?v=T_7yDyrTYiU



SUNY Broome's Technical Career Connection presents the Professional Success Series

February 26, 2016

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Are You Ready for Success?



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Join Us

Professional Success Series

TUESDAYS @ STUDENT VILLAGE
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

WEDNESDAYS @ SCIENCE BLDG 105
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

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| March 1, 2 | Job Search & the Application Setting up your Resume & Cover Letter |
| March 8, 9 | Polishing your Resume & Cover Letter |
| March 15, 16 | Professional Social Media Presence |
| March 29, 30 | Dressing and Acting the Part |
| April 5, 6 | The Interview |
| April 7 | SUNY Broome Martin Luther King, Jr. Job Fair 10 am—2 pm Ice Center |

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Make the connection towards securing a job or internship. Attend these workshops to build your resume, cover letter, interview skills, social media presence and more!

Tuesdays, March 1 – April 5, 5:30 – 6:30 pm, SV Classroom

Wednesday, March 2 – April 6, 11 am – 12 pm, SB 105

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Save the Date: ‘The Ethics of Addiction’ is the topic for this year’s Ethics Conference

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The seventh Interdisciplinary Conference on Applied Ethics, “The Ethics of Addiction,” will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 on the SUNY Broome campus.

Dr. Kimberly Walitzer of the University of Buffalo, deputy director for the Research Institute on Addictions, will be the keynote presenter. Topics to be addressed at the conference include the ethics of drug rehabilitation, Narcan administration, methadone maintenance, gambling/gaming and the impact of drug use on families.

SUNY Broome and Binghamton University faculty and students can attend free of charge; the cost is \$25 for other guests. Lunch will be provided. Registration and further details to follow.

Relevant literary materials such as “Chasing the Scream” by J. Hari are on reserve at the SUNY Broome Library.



Dr. Bill Altman Leads Presidential Task Force

February 26, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

Dr. Janie Wilson (Georgia Southern University), president of the Society for the Teaching of Psychology (STP is a division of the American Psychological Association), has appointed SUNY Broome's Dr. Bill Altman (Psychology & Human Services Department) to the Presidential Task Force: Psychology in Communities. As chair, Dr. Altman is leading members of the Task Force in their study of best practices for sharing psychological science with the general public. The Task Force's specific charge is to examine:

- What information psychological scientists might share with their communities;
- How teachers of psychology can share their discipline with as many diverse communities as possible, to make their lives better; and
- What outlets are available or that psychology teachers might create.

The Task Force will then develop a plan to guide STP members in sharing insights from the discipline to help people lead healthier, happier and more productive lives. In addition, the Task Force is developing a wiki to serve as a clearinghouse for psychology teachers and other scientists who want to learn more about how to share their passions and expertise with members of their communities.

Music Coordinator Brenda Dawe to teach class at Hartwick

February 26, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

Music Coordinator [Brenda Dawe](#) will be leading a master class for voice students on March 4 at Hartwick College.

A native of Newfoundland, Canada, who also operates a private voice studio, Professor Dawe spent about seven years as an opera singer, performing with opera companies across the continent, including Calgary, Virginia, Arizona and Syracuse. She's also performed nearly 20 leading roles with Tri-Cities Opera. She earned her master of music degree from the prestigious Manhattan School of Music.



Brenda Dawe

SUNY Broome Art Professor preserves Roberson history through art

February 26, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



SUNY Broome Art and Design Professor Hall Groat II was recently commissioned by the Roberson family to create two original oil paintings of the mansion, which are now included in private collections in Williamsburg, VA, and Wellesley, MA.

The 16 x 20 in. and 20 x 24 in. pieces included the original 1904 porticos with suggestions of vintage autos underneath. The pieces were painted from digital photos that the artist took during mid-afternoon when the sun was a bit lower in the sky. Adobe Photoshop was then used to remove the adjacent museum complex, and add the original architectural features and driveway.

“My earliest recollections date from the 1940s, when I first visited as a young child — the gardens, garage (carriage house) and that side (my) entrance,” Robert S. Roberson said.



SUNY Broome receives \$100K to support college career center

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SUNY Broome will receive \$100,000 to link students and community members with enhanced career services and employment opportunities, State University of New York Chancellor Nancy Zimpher and New York State Department of Labor Acting Commissioner Roberta Reardon announced.

“Our mission is to provide a quality education to a diverse population of students, helping them meet their life goals – including a rewarding career,” said SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm. “This program will truly help us become a career center for our students – and for the larger community, which benefits by retaining educated professionals in the area.”

Working in partnership with Broome-Tioga Workforce New York, the college will expand services in the Southern Tier, building on the annual Department of Labor job fair that attracts more than 70 employers and 500 job-seekers each year.

The college plans to launch on-campus training and outreach using Department of Labor resources, such as its case management system, which aligns students and local employers to better retain young talent in the area.

The college also plans to expand such practices as mock interviews with local employers, occupation-specific job fairs, in-class guest lectures by area professionals, help with job searches and resumes, and more.

Both the college and Broome-Tioga Workforce New York share a commitment to enhancing employment prospects for hard-to-place populations, such as the unemployed, veterans and adult learners, noted Broome-Tioga Workforce Director James Tripp in a letter supporting the proposal.

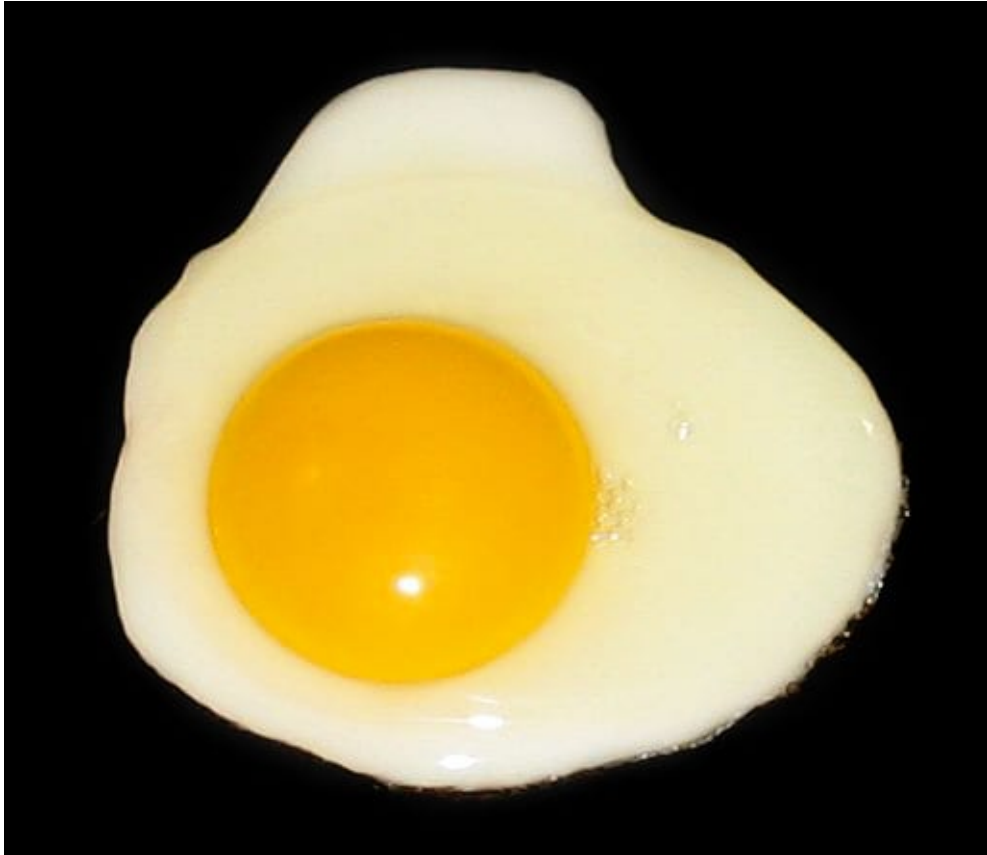
“By joining forces with our community’s workforce development system, we make our own expertise more powerful and achieve far more than when we labor alone,” Dr. Drumm said.



Marketplace: Free range eggs for sale

February 25, 2016

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Joe Spence has free range eggs for sale at a cost of \$4 dozen.

Interested? Email him at spencejs@sunybroome.edu.

Sign up to donate blood for the Red Cross Blood Drive

February 25, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

The Medical Assisting Club and Clinical Laboratory Technology Club are hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive. Be a hero and donate blood!

Stop by the Titchener Building or Student Services lobby on March 3 and 4 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. to sign up for the blood drive. Then, donate blood on March 9 and 10 in the Applied Technology Building.



Join us for the American Heart Association Heart Walk

February 25, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

In the next 10 minutes, 20 lives will be lost to heart disease — a devastating fact. With your help, we can create hope for a better future. Get involved in this year's Southern Tier Heart Walk!

The **American Heart Association's Heart Walk** will be held on **Sunday, April 10th at 9:00 am right here at our SUNY Broome Ice Center** and you can be part of the **SUNY Broome Team**. Plans for the walk are in full swing with fun you won't want to miss! There are free blood pressure checks, heartfelt survivor tributes and celebrations, and so much more. SUNY Broome already has a team online, so all you need to do is join it, and let your sponsors know how to contribute to help reach our \$5000 goal.

To sign up, go to www.southerntierheartwalk.org, select "Find a Company" on the left side menu, and select "SUNY Broome Community College". Select "Join Team" next to "SUNY Broome-Price", or join one of the teams formed by groups within SUNY Broome. If your club, department or division wants to form a team within Team SUNY Broome, select "Create New Team", and name it for example: ("SUNY Broome – Medical Assisting) or contact Deena Price at 778-5611 for help setting this up.

Also available is a **Field of Hearts form**. These hearts allow you to support the SUNY Broome Community College Team and also to remember &/or honor a loved one. If you are interested in purchasing a heart (Foam hearts are available for decorating yourselves or just complete a the [Field of Hearts Form](#) and we will do it for you!) please contact Deena at 778-5611.



Black and Beautiful: SUNY Broome showcases the art of Elton Fax

****updated with photos****

February 25, 2016

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Robed figures bustle about in a busy Sudanese marketplace. Standing tall, a woman from Uganda deftly balances a basket on her head as she walks. A woodcarver displays his work, and a stern family patriarch gazes out at the view from beneath the folds of a turban.

Every image – in all its incredible detail and shading – is worked out meticulously in pencil.

Welcome to the amazing work of Elton Fax, an internationally renowned African-American artist, author, lecturer and educator. Fax, who was born in 1909 in Baltimore, had his artwork exhibited in many of the galleries and universities in the United States – and now, SUNY Broome.

The Black Student Union hosted an exhibit of nearly a dozen of his drawings, *Black and Beautiful*, on Feb. 11 as part of Black History Month. These drawings – which depict scenes and individuals Fax encountered during his travels in Africa – will soon be on permanent display on the second floor of the Business Building, on the breezeway to Mechanical.

While SUNY Broome has an extensive art collection that rotates throughout campus, Fax is the only African-American among the showcased artists.

“He wanted to show that black is beautiful,” said Katherine Shelton, a second-year Liberal Arts major and vice president of the Black Student Union, as she walked among the opening exhibit in Decker 201. “All of the different art pieces show different aspects of African art and culture. It looks incredible.”

The Black Student Union pitched in, not only hosting the reception but purchasing the frames for the artwork, said library archivist Robin Valashinas.

In an odd twist of fate, Fax’s contributions to SUNY Broome’s art collection had been lost for years. Valashinas discovered them by accident, when she was scouring the archives for posters of Professor Angelo Zuccolo’s theater productions for a campus event.

“When I saw them, I said, ‘They are so beautiful. They need to be on the walls!’” she remembered.

The way they were packaged together leads Valashinas to believe that Fax was a Convocation Day speaker years ago, and that he donated the drawings to the college. But there is no documentation to prove that, she noted.

The artist has some upstate connections; he received a BFA from Syracuse University in 1932, and then became an art teacher. During the Great Depression, he was involved with the WPA Federal Arts Program, which provided relief for artists, and became famous in the 1940s as a “Chalk Talk Artist,” illustrating his stories with spontaneous sketches.

During the course of his career, he published more than 30 books, including the biography *Garvey* and *17 Black Artists*. Fax, who died in 1993 in New York City, was also a world traveler, heading across the globe to record the plight of people in impoverished countries, as well as their beauty and dignity.

Visitors to the opening exhibit were awed by the beauty and detail of Fax’s work, and look forward to further displays.

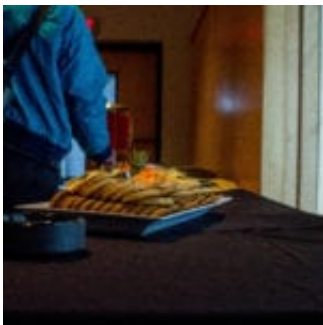
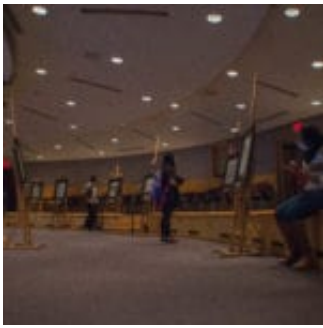
“This is really incredible,” said Kim Lamar Shelton, a former Liberal Arts staff associate as she strolled through the exhibit. “The artwork is just spectacular.”

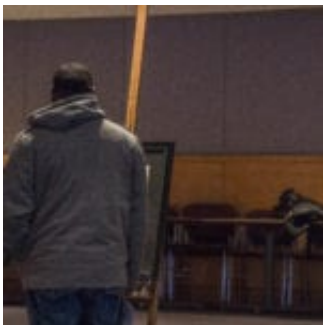
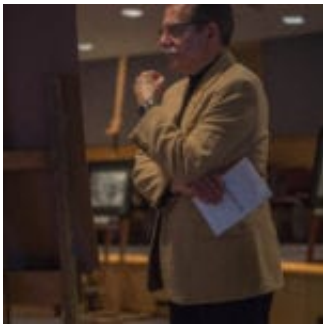
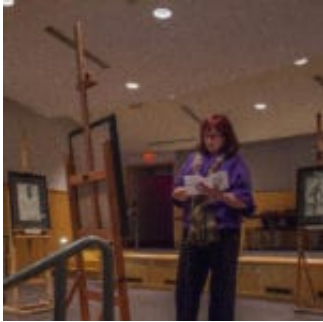
Check out these great photos by Buzz photographer Smithshell Julien:

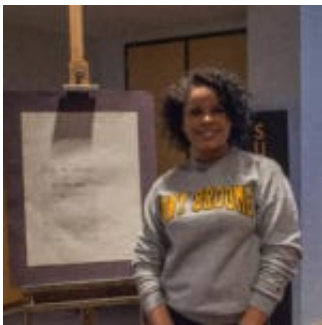
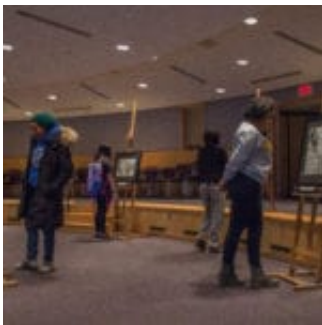


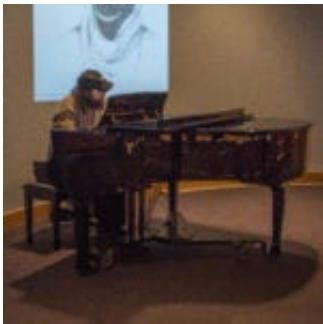
Black and Beautiful exhibit photos by Smithshell Julien

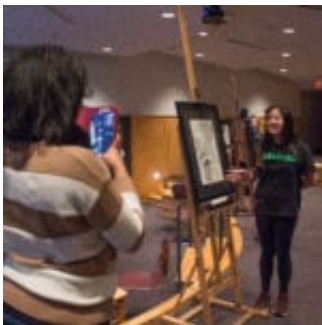


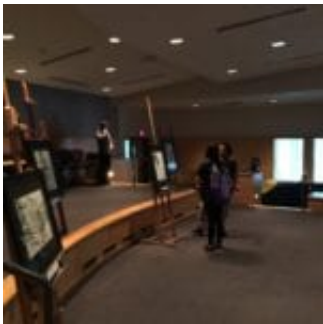
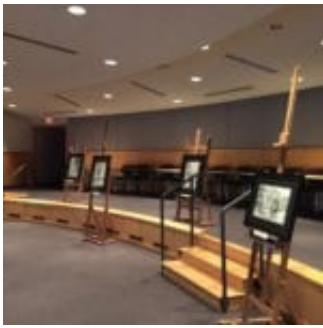




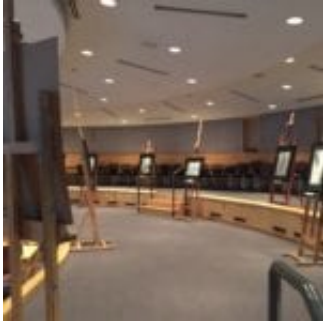












Your turn on the catwalk: Models sought for BSU fashion show

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The Black Student Union is looking for male and female models for its fashion show.

Casting calls will be held on the following dates: 3:30 to 5 p.m. Monday, February 29; 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 2; and 3:30 to 5 p.m. Friday, March 4. All casting calls will take place in Business Building 220.

For more information, contact bsunion1968@gmail.com



Hornet wings: SUNY Broome gets its first airplane

February 24, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



SUNY Broome received a one-of-a-kind donation from a retired area dentist and his late wife: an airplane.

“And no, it will not be the president’s plane,” SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm joked during the Feb. 24 press conference at Greater Binghamton Airport.

[Click here for a photo gallery.](#)

Meticulously maintained through all its years of operation, the 1966 Piper Aztec will be used to train future mechanics in the college’s future Aircraft Maintenance degree program. It made its last flight this winter, when it flew from Tri-Cities Airport to Greater Binghamton Airport.

The college is currently seeking approval for the Aircraft Maintenance A.O.S. program, which is a multi-step process. Prior to receiving approval from the State University of New York system, the program must first receive the nod from the Federal Aviation Administration. To gain FAA approval, the program must first have an airplane.

Enter Dr. Bedosky. In addition to his longstanding dental practice, Dr. Bedosky has been an avid pilot for more than 40 years, taking his family to spots all over the country, from the Tetons and California to the Ozarks and Key West. His wife, Helen Jane Bedosky was a key component in those travels, accompanying her husband and her children on countless trips despite her fear of heights.

“Imagine going to Nantucket or Martha’s Vineyard for a Sunday afternoon,” Dr. Bedosky reminisced. “That’s what we did.”

The airplane is a gift from both Dr. Bedosky and his wife, who passed away in October. The Aztec, purchased 36 years ago, is his fourth plane; prior to that, he flew in a Tri-Pacer and two Cherokees.

Dr. Bedosky learned about the possibilities of donation from his long-time mechanic, Chris Euechenhofer of C&F Aircraft Service, who has served as an advisor in the development of the aircraft maintenance program.

“I called my wife, she says ‘Do it,’ and here we are,” Dr. Bedosky remembered.

Dr. Bedosky also has a longstanding connection to the college in other ways. During the early years of SUNY

Broome’s dental hygiene program, he served as a supervising dentist. The dental hygienists hired in his practice also trained at SUNY Broome.

While Dr. Bedosky’s donation allows him to give back to the college and the community, it will also grant him the opportunity to visit the airplane he flew for so many years. His children – sons Richard and Matt, and daughter Lisa – also took the opportunity to say goodbye to an era, reminisce about their many travels, and have a peek inside the plane they all knew so well.

On the academic front, the aircraft maintenance program is an ongoing effort, with involvement from a number of different parties. Euchenhofer has donated airplane equipment and tools to the program, while Milton Petzold donated additional aircraft parts to the college.

Broome County Executive Debbie Preston has wanted to get the program off the ground for the past several years, noted Deputy County Executive John Bernardo, who spoke at the press conference on Preston’s behalf.

“This is truly a community effort and testament to what we can do when we all work together to improve our community,” President Drumm said.



Airplane donation









Feb. 25 public deliberation canceled

February 24, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

“Making Ends Meet: How Can We Spread Prosperity and Improve Opportunity?”, which was scheduled for February 25, has been canceled. Our apologies for the inconvenience.

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Celebrate STEM: Engineering Week open house on Feb. 24

February 23, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join SUNY Broome's Engineering Science students on Feb. 24 to celebrate national Engineering Week.

The event will give our students an opportunity to show off their projects, as well as speak with engineers working in the field.

Engineers from Lockheed Martin in Owego will be on hand to speak to students, as well as show examples of their company's technology. Representatives from other companies have also been invited, and the event will also include information about STEM career opportunities.

The event runs from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, in the Applied Technologies atrium. The public is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.



Scholarship opportunities for women through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund

February 23, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

American Business Women's Association Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund

The Binghamton Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is looking for female students to potentially issue a \$2,000 Outright Grant this year. Below are the eligibility requirements. If you know of someone who meets these requirements, please contact Liz Budnik (ekindube@gmail.com) or Bonnie Henderson (bjhenderson@stny.rr.com). They will need the person's name, address, telephone number and email address. That's all. The rest will be up to the applicant who will be contacted through the American Business Women's Association/Stephen Bufton Memorial Education Fund (SBMEF). Hope you can help us with some very worthy applicants.

Requirements –

- ☐ Be a resident of Broome or Tioga County in New York State
- ☐ Must be a female U.S. citizen
- ☐ Must have completed 60 credit hours
- ☐ Must have achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale
- ☐ Must be seeking a baccalaureate degree or higher
- ☐ Must be attending an institution authorized to confer degrees at the baccalaureate level or higher in the United States
- ☐ The applicant must provide an official transcript, biographical sketch and three (3) professional letters of reference dated in 2016.
- ☐ The applicant must complete the SBMEF online application on or before April 15, 2016.

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Harry Potter Club forming on campus

February 23, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The members of the Harry Potter Club invites the campus community to attend the inaugural meeting at 3 p.m. Thursday, February 25, in TH 209.

The group will be talking about future plans and watching the film “Magic Beyond Words,” a 2011 biopic of J. K. Rowling.



SUNY Broome Continuing Education to offer drone training course this summer

February 23, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Master the technology that is transforming our culture: drones.

A unique and comprehensive SUNY Broome Continuing Education training course will prepare operators to use this technology. Offered in collaboration with SKyOp, “Introduction to Small Unmanned Aerial Systems” will provide novices and experienced operators with a comprehensive understanding of drones and the emerging industry.

The course covers different types of flight systems and their capabilities, safe and legal flying practices, commercial applications and emerging career opportunities. Participants practice their skills on a Syma X5C Quadcopter and an AeroSIM flight simulator, which are included in the course fee.

While drones are currently banned for commercial use, the Federal Aviation Administration is currently reviewing new commercial regulations. The course, taught by Brian Pitre of Canandaigua-based SkyOp, LLC, will help students prepare for future certification through the FAA.

Class will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on three consecutive Saturdays – June 4, 11 and 18 – at SUNY Broome. Register for the course online at www.sunybroome.edu/ce or by calling (607) 778-5012. The cost of the course is \$1,499.



Upcoming Professional Development Events

February 23, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

3D (Dine, Discuss Diversity) Series

Growing Up Poor-The Lessons of Poverty

The 3D lunch series was conceived of as a way for the campus community to learn and share ideas about various aspects of diversity. Having open, honest and insightful conversations about diversity, in a friendly and civil atmosphere, is one of the first steps in promoting a just, fair, and inclusive environment for students, faculty, and staff.

When: Wednesday, February 24, 2016

Time: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Where: Wales 203B

Presenters: The President's Task Force

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Topics: All dates are Wednesdays, 12:00 – 1:00 pm in Wales 203B

March 2nd: Ageism- It Works Both Ways and You Can Opt Out

March 9th: The Science of Racism

March 16th: LGBT- Alphabet of Difference?

March 30th: Redskins, Blackhawks, The Fighting Irish, and the New England Patriots-What's in a Name?

April 6th: Why Diversity Training? Does it Work?

BCC Foundation Scholarships Now Online

The BCC Foundation has recently implemented a new scholarship management system called Award Spring; one that will benefit not only the students, but those faculty and staff who are involved in review and selection. Come learn about the new software and how applying to scholarships and recipient selection is more efficient than ever. This session is particularly beneficial to faculty and staff who are responsible in selecting students for departmental and/or application based awards and are highly encouraged to attend this session .

When: Friday, February 26, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: NSC 107 Lab

Presenter: Andrea Roma

Register: [Register Here](#) (Just a couple seats available)

Blackboard (Bb) 1-2-3 Face-to-Face Training

This workshop series is an introduction to using the Bb learning management system for instructors teaching online or supplementing their face-to-face courses with an online component. This training provides an overview of the Bb environment with a hands-on opportunity to try out the various Bb tools.

When: Two Consecutive Tuesdays; March 1st & 8th, 2016 (**You must be able to attend both sessions**)

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenters: Carine Surdey & Catagay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#)

So You Want to Write a Book?

“Have you ever wondered about composing and publishing a book? Some faculty at SUNYBroome have published books/textbooks during their years of teaching. Join a small panel of authors from among us and mine their experiences on the path from imagining your book to having the first copy mailed to you.

When: Thursday, March 3, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 11:50 am

Where: TRC Conference Room

Panelists: Dr. Michael Kinney, Steven Call, Thomas Grace, Kenneth Mansfield, and Luis Moreno.”

Register: [Register Here](#)

Blackboard Advanced: Tips & Tricks

This workshop is a review of how to effectively utilize the feature & tools in Blackboard. This training will cover how to maximize your use of the LMS, reduce time spent on course administration tasks, and improve your overall user experience.

When: Friday, March 4, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Where: NSC 107 Lab

Panelists: Cagatay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#) (**Just a few seats available**)

Advising for New Faculty

Learn about the advising responsibilities of teaching faculty. Gain perspective on advising from an experienced faculty member. And get introduced to the Academic Advising Training and Development Course.

When: Monday, March 7, 2016

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Panelists: Tom Quain

Register: [Register Here](#)

Faculty Advising Refresher

Faculty and Staff at SUNY Broome provide excellent academic advising for our students. Through ongoing partnerships, great communication and dialogue, we can best promote our students' success. Please join us for an engaging conversation about academic advising.

When: Monday, March 7, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Panelists: Tom Quain

Register: [Register Here](#)

Doctoral Colloquium Presentations

“The Leadership Vacuum: An ethnography of the first year of an experienced president taking the reins of a high-profile community college”

Doctoral candidates writing a dissertation will have the opportunity to present to the campus community their dissertation topics and research methodologies. The discussions primarily are intended to assist those doctoral candidates preparing their dissertation defenses as well as those individuals in the initial stages of making a dissertation proposal or those who are in the process of writing the dissertation. This opportunity also is available to those who already have completed their doctorate and wish to present and discuss their research.

When: Wednesday, March 9th, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Where: TRC Conference Room

Presenter: Dr. Kevin Drumm

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Topics: All dates are Wednesdays, 3:00 – 4:30 pm in the TRC Conference room

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 Dr. Christopher Origer “*Amnesia: A dystopian novel that investigates, in fiction, the relationship between atrocity and collective amnesia, and the roles a citizen must inevitably confront, as participant, spectator, or victim.*”

Wednesday, May 11, 2016 Dr. Joan Koster ” *Bookmarking racism: Challenging white privilege through children’s literature and participatory action research in a suburban school.*”

The Value of Diversity in the Classroom

Research indicates that the sooner a student feels engaged with the college experience the higher the probability that they will reach their academic goals. Join your colleagues for a discussion of a new on boarding process for our campus and other initiatives for enhancing student engagement. Bring your ideas.

When: Thursday, March 10th, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: Wales 203B

Presenter: Dr. Frances Battisti

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Dates: All dates are Thursdays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm in Wales 203B

April 21st

May 12th

When Booty Goes Mainstream: SUNY Broome to screen ‘Bottom’s Up’

February 23, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

From Sir Mix-a-Lot’s “Baby’s Got Back” to celebrities such as Kim Kardashian, Nicki Minaj and Jennifer Lopez, big booty has gone big-time in popular culture. The celebration of big butts, however, has real life consequences – in the form of dramatic and even dangerous cosmetic surgery.

Join the SUNY Broome Women’s Institute on Feb. 26 for a screening of “Bottoms Up,” a documentary that examines why women choose to go under the knife, the impact of media and other societal pressures that have propelled big butts from a cult fetish to a mainstream phenomenon.

New York City-based director Kurt Williamson and producer Chris Alvarez will attend the campus screening and join the conversation following the film.

The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. February 26 in Decker Health Sciences Building Room 201. Refreshments and a discussion will follow the screening of the 45-minute film.



New: the SUNY Broome Women's Institute

February 22, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Women in the Southern Tier have a new collective voice for addressing the societal challenges that impact our local, national and global community. A dedicated group of women at SUNY Broome have united to form the SUNY Broome Women's Institute. The Institute membership, which includes women from every corner of the SUNY Broome campus, welcomes partnerships with individuals, organizations and other educational institutions.

The mission of the Women's Institute is to advance women's issues through education, research, and local, state, national and international outreach in areas of modern day concerns that are important to women. As a community college, one of our greatest strengths is our close connection to the community. The newly formed Institute hopes to draw from that valuable resource by building a collaborative network of local women and men who have the common goal of harnessing their diverse skills and talents to take on the issues that matter most to women in our community.

The Women's Institute will serve as clearinghouse for both campus and community generated programs on women's issues. Our inaugural programs include a film screening and panel discussion of the film [*Suffragettes*](#) (co-sponsored with the Broome-Tioga League of Women Voters); a screening and conversation with the directors of the documentary [*Bottoms Up*](#) that examines the new and dangerous craze in aesthetic surgery –big butts; a powerful presentation on modern day sex trafficking as part of the College's Convocation Day; and a Distinguished Speaker Series launched with an examination of the historical connection between an iconic female superhero and the struggle for women's rights with Harvard historian, Jill Lepore, author of *The Secret History of Wonder Woman*.

In addition to academic and community programming, the Women's Institute is revitalizing the Liberal Arts Women's Studies degree program by recruiting new faculty, revising existing courses, and preparing new core courses to better meet the needs of today's students. We strive to make the Women's Studies program a truly interdisciplinary experience that will promote critical thinking and challenge students to actively engage with women's issues. In support of this educational goal, the Institute will provide applied learning opportunities for the next generation of women to engage in research, debate and collaboration.

We envision the Women's Institute as a dynamic and creative entity that will evolve, transform and have

meaning in unique ways that reflect those individuals who contribute to, partner with and help sustain the Institute. By drawing from individuals affiliated with Liberal Arts, Health Sciences, Business and Public Services, Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, we are poised to take on a multitude of issues, including workplace equality and diversity, economics, health and wellness, body image, violence against women, politics and leadership.

The members of the Women's Institute value, and are committed to, the enrichment, education and empowerment of women and those individuals and organizations that strive to support women. By linking SUNY Broome faculty, staff and students with policymakers, professionals, and community entities passionate about women's issues, we will make this commitment explicit. In keeping with the well-established SUNY tradition of excellence, it is our goal to make the Women's Institute a recognized Center of Excellence, not only for the College and SUNY, but for our entire community.



Vote for Stinger: March Madness starts March 8!

February 22, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



You know what's bigger than the primaries? Mascot Madness 2016, which pits all the SUNY mascots against each other in a heated competition!

During the event, which kicks off on March 8, we ask you to vote for Stinger — early and often, as they say.

Curious about your favorite Hornet? He's answered some questions for us:

1) Who are you and what do you do?

Hi, I'm Stinger the Hornet! My job is to get the buzz going about SUNY Broome, my most excellent hive. Not only do I get pumped up at our sports games, I fly out to local community events and even tote boxes and bags during Move-In Day at our Student Village.



2) Where did you work before you were hired as a mascot?

Well, for a while I tried to get into the police force to work on sting operations, but then I learned I was misinterpreting “sting.” Good thing our Criminal Justice & Emergency Services students set me straight about that!

3) What is your most embarrassing mascot moment?

I forgot my hands at a campus event once. Technically, Hornets don’t really have hands, so I guess you could say I was going retro.



4) Which mascot would be your SUNY sidekick?

I have more than enough spirit for any mascot! But I’d let the Binghamton University Bearcat tag along if he could keep up. Baxter’s great, but he doesn’t have wings. The wings definitely give me an advantage.

5) What is your favorite part of New York State?

Broome County, of course! Known as the Valley of Opportunity, the area spawned a good deal of innovation — most famously IBM, which began in the neighboring village of Endicott. In fact, our college mascot was originally the Technicat to honor the area’s high-tech origins. As the Hornet, I represent the best the area has to offer: lightning-fast like our technology and, being a natural critter, the beauty of our Southern Tier environs.



6) Have you ever studied abroad?

Most definitely! Mexico, Italy, Ecuador, London, Haiti – I’ve been to them all. Now, we do have online students in our Business program in Siberia and I haven’t headed out to visit them — yet. Next up: Novosibirsk!

7) What TV show could you watch all day?

The Green Hornet, of course! But the show from the ‘60s, not that horrible Seth Rogan flop. You don’t mess with the classics.

8) What is your favorite fast food spot?

When I need a burger or some nachos, I head over to the Blueline Café in the SUNY Broome Ice Center. It’s a great place to grab a snack. The best part: I can strap on some skates and burn off all those calories before chowing down. I have to keep my insectoid figure, you know.

9) What song/music do you listen to in order to get hyped for an event?

Flight of the Bumblebee and anything by Sting, of course!

10) What is the best class you ever took?

First class — made the plane ride so much more enjoyable. Oh wait, you mean a class-class, right? There are so many great classes that it’s hard to pick! I really enjoyed the Mathematics of Gaming, which taught important math concepts while letting us play casino games. What a win, right? But my favorite, I have to say, is Health for Haiti over winter term. Over the past few years, my fellow Hornets have installed solar panels and a water purification system, and even helped deliver a baby! Helping people – that’s what life is all about, folks.

Stay tuned for details on Mascot Madness!

B-Sens hosting Sports Marketing Career Fair on March 4

February 22, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Interested in a career in sports management? The Binghamton Senators are hosting their first Sports Marketing Job Fair on Friday, March 4, in the Floyd L. Maines Arena in downtown Binghamton.

This is a great opportunity for students looking for internships to attend an event and meet with professional teams and organizations who are actively looking for interns for the summer and fall seasons. All attendees are encouraged to bring their resumes so they can sit and interview with potential employers. More than 20 teams and other organizations are scheduled to attend.

The event runs from 1 to 4:30 p.m., followed by networking with the B-Sens at 5 p.m. and a hockey game at 7 p.m.; tickets to the game is included with registration. Registration is \$12 in advance and \$15 the day of the event.

To register, visit <https://bsens.formstack.com/forms/careerfair> or call (607) 722-7367.

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SUNY Broome Wellness Challenge registration coming soon!

February 22, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

Do you have your team together? Registration will be opening soon for the SUNY Broome Wellness Challenge! The Challenge will run from March 7 to May 1 2016. Get together with your coworkers to support each other in healthy habits! Get registered by March 7 and plan to join us at the kickoff event on March 15. Get more info at:

<https://mycollege.sunybroome.edu/web/events/wellness-challenge>

And register at:

<http://broome.mywellnesschallenge.org/>

Contact Heidi Melzer by email or at x5053 with questions

Former professor named Engineer of the Year

February 22, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



A former SUNY Broome professor was selected as Engineer of the Year by the Broome chapter of the the New York State Society of Professional Engineers.

Jonathan Rook taught in the college's Civil Technology Department for more than 30 years.

He graduated from Cornell University with his bachelor's in 1952, followed by a master's in 1967; along the way, he earned his PE licence in 1957 and his LS license in 1958. A teacher and mentor to hundreds of civil engineers and civil engineering technicians in the Southern Tier, his consulting experience includes firms such as McFarland Johnson, Shumaker, and Stearns & Wheler, he also had a surveying business during the summer months.

Rook will be honored at the chapter's 2016 Engineers Week Dinner on February 23.



Feb. 25 Common Hour Event: You, the Juror

February 21, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join Professor I.J. Byrnes and Commissioner of Jurors Christopher Esworthy at 11 a.m. Feb. 25 in T-102 for a discussion of the role and value of jury service in our culture. Information on the Garfinkel Essay Scholarship will be distributed at the event, which is sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa.



The Monday Poem: Four love poems by Mary Oliver

February 21, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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

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Four poems on the theme of love, all by Mary Oliver:

I Know Someone

I know someone who kisses the way

a flower opens, but more rapidly.

Flowers are sweet. They have

short, beatific lives. They offer

much pleasure. There is

nothing in the world that can be said

against them.

Sad, isn't it, that all they can kiss

is the air.

Yes, yes! We are the lucky ones.

I Did Think, Let's Go About This Slowly

I did think, let's go about this slowly.

This is important. This should take

some really deep thought. We should take

small thoughtful steps.

But, bless us, we didn't.

How Do I Love You?

How do I love you?

Oh, this way and that way.

Oh, happily. Perhaps

I may elaborate by

demonstration? Like

this, and

like this and

no more words now

Not Anyone Who Says

Not anyone who says, “I’m going to be

careful and smart in matters of love,”

who says, “I’m going to choose slowly,”

but only those lovers who didn’t choose at all

but were, as it were, chosen

by something invisible and powerful and uncontrollable

and beautiful and possibly even

unsuitable —

only those know what I’m talking about

in this talking about love.



Take Away Taco and Bake Sale on Feb. 24

February 21, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



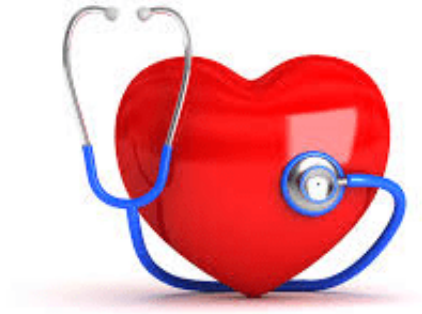
The CLT Club is hosting a Take Away Taco and Bake Sale from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24. in the Decker building lobby. Save your pennies and bag the bagged lunch for the day. Enjoy a fresh, hot Take Away Taco and a cupcake or cookie!



Feb. 24: Learn about the latest cardiovascular research

February 21, 2016

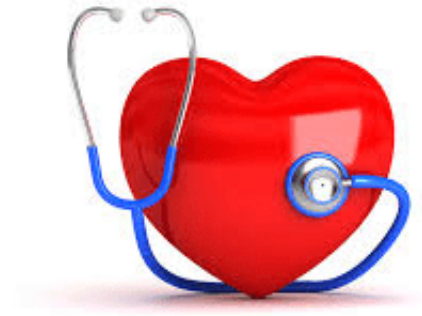
Categories: FOCUS on Wellness



As we wrap up American Heart Month, you are invited to learn about new treatments in cardiovascular medicine as well as what it is like to work in this amazing field.

Guy Rogers, Valve Clinic Coordinator at the Guthrie Clinic, will be presenting the latest research in this field to Human Biology students on at 8 a.m. February 24 in Titchener 101. All are welcome to attend!

Questions? Contact Melissa Glenn in the Biology Department at glennme@sunybroome.edu.



Feb. 25: See the film ‘Bad Blood: A Cautionary Tale’

February 20, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Keuka students and the Bleeding Disorders Association of the Southern Tier (BDAST) will present a viewing of the movie “Bad Blood: A Cautionary Tale” from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, February 25, in Decker 201.

What if you were a hemophiliac who was given a life changing medical treatment only to discover that you are now living with HIV, Hepatitis C, or both? Please join us in watching a film that documents the worst medical disaster in U.S. history: contaminated blood products.

Admission is free. There will be a bake sale at the event to support BDAST.



Get smarter about your money: Fidelity offers Feb. 24 workshops

February 19, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Get smarter about your finances

Join SUNY and Fidelity for a complimentary workshop, where you'll learn strategies and tips to help you manage your financial future with confidence.

Wednesday, February 24, 2016

Confident Investing in Any Market

If you're a do-it-yourself investor interested in managing your portfolio through market ups and downs:

Learn advanced investing strategies, such as rebalancing techniques and diversification strategies, to keep your portfolio on track.

| Date | Time | Registration Link | Call-in Number | Telephone Access Code |
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| Wednesday | | | | |
| February 24, 2016 | 12:00 PM EST | <u>Reserve your spot today!</u> | 1-866-982-8346 | 4657620341 |

Monitoring Your Portfolio

For do-it-yourself investors:

Learn tips for monitoring your investment portfolio, how to evaluate your current approach, and rebalancing techniques to keep you on track.

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Wednesday

**February 24,
2016** **4:00 PM
EST** [Reserve your spot today!](#) **1-866-982-8346** **6161773833**

If you need technical assistance, please contact the **Help Desk** at 888.600.4015. Representatives are available between 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Can't make it to an event?

Ø Visit [Fidelity e-Learning](#) to learn about and register for other workshops.

Ø Call **800.603.4015** for a complimentary one-on-one consultation with a Fidelity Planning and Guidance Representative.

Watch now: Professor Doug Garnar's 'Last Lecture'

February 18, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

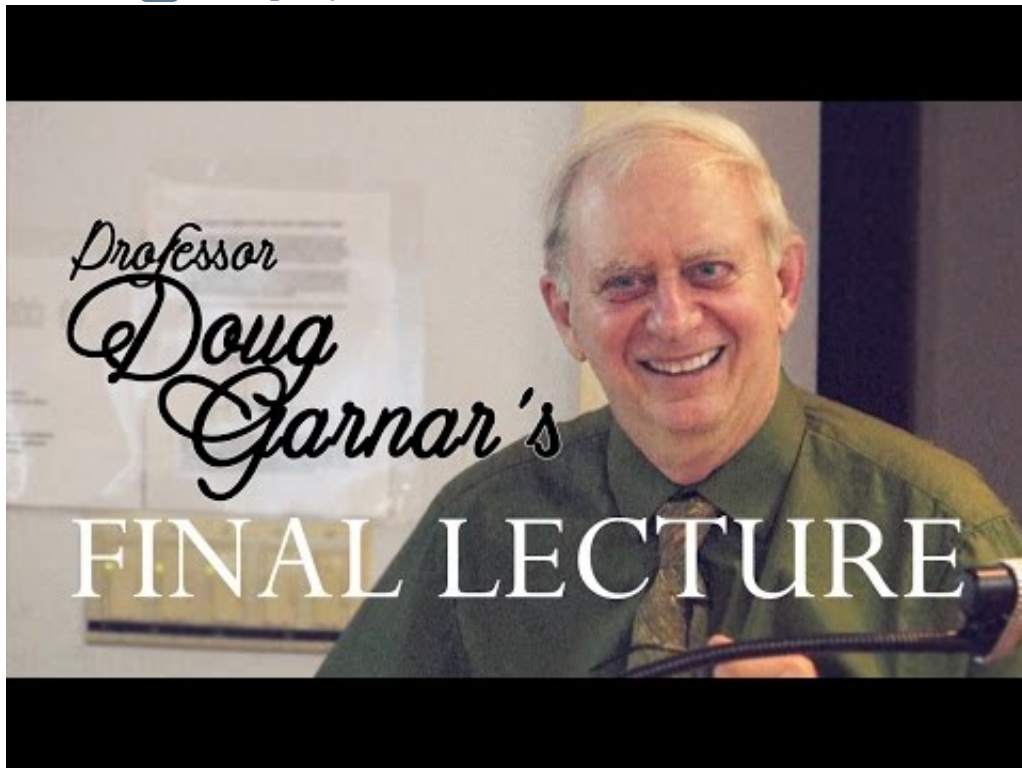
Did you miss Professor [Doug Garnar's "last lecture"](#) of April 30, 2015, on Democracy's College?

You can now watch the entire lecture on the college's Youtube station!

Professor Garnar's Final Lecture | April 30, 2015



<https://youtube.com/watch?v=X6R5iOIR3LI>



Updated In-house Directory 2015-16

February 18, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The updated 2015-16 in-house directory is attached below.

[Campus Directory 2015-16](#)

Step up your financial game with Money 101 on Feb. 23

February 18, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Learn how to overcome financial barriers and how to manage personal finances, and get accurate information about the financial aid process and scholarship opportunities at Money 101.

The program will run from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday, February 23, in Applied Technology Building Room 200. Step up your money game!



Speakers of the House to discuss ‘Deadly Black Market Silicone Injections’

February 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Speakers of the House, the SUNY Broome Toastmasters Club, invites you to its meeting at 3 p.m. **Friday, Feb. 19, in Wales 203 B.**

Kathleen McKenna, a club member, will be speaking on the topic of ***Deadly Black Market Silicone Injections***.

Then, one week later, on Feb. 26, the SUNY Broome Women’s Institute will be screening [*Bottoms Up*](#), a documentary on the same topic, in Decker 201 from 6 to 9 p.m. The filmmakers and a local plastic surgeon, Dr. Larry Kerr, will discuss the film and the problem.

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Study chemistry at SUNY Broome this summer

February 17, 2016

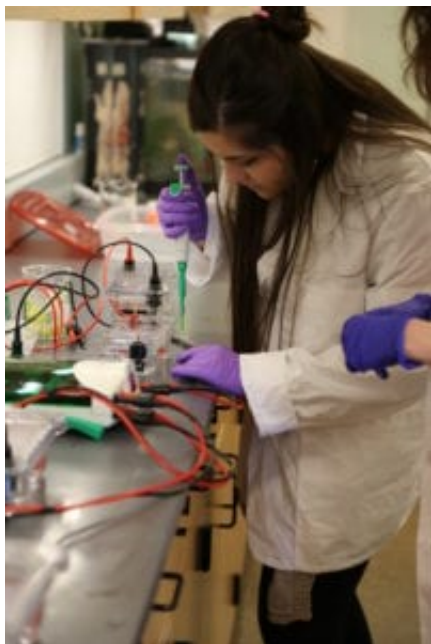
Categories: Uncategorized



Need a chemistry course for your degree? Get the class you need this summer at SUNY Broome.

We're offering CHM 145: General Chemistry I on campus during Summer Term. Interested in taking an online course that fits your schedule? Check out CHM 146: General Chemistry II, which will be offered in an online format.

Summer is a great time to catch up, get ahead or stay on track with your coursework. Find out more here at www.sunybroome.edu/summer.



Banner Downtime on Friday, Feb. 19

February 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Banner, including INB and MyCollege SSB access, will be unavailable on Friday, Feb. 19, from 3 p.m. until approximately 6 p.m. During this downtime, our Finance Department will be completing normal year end Finance processes and we will be completing some critical patching to our servers. These processes require us to restrict access to our Banner production environment until these tasks are completed successfully.

We understand that this is a busy time, and have therefore made arrangements to copy our production data to our Banner STUT INB instance. During the down time, Banner INB STUT will be available for lookup of student information and records. However, no updates should be made in the STUT instance, but instead held onto to be processed once PROD becomes available. You may use your existing Banner PROD INB username and password to access STUT INB during this time.

Upcoming Professional Development Events

February 16, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Blackboard Advanced: Grade Center

This workshop is a review of how to effectively utilize the grade center. This training will cover how to maximize the grade center capabilities and tailor the grade center to your instruction.

When: Thursday, February 18, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 11:50 am

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Tera Doty-Blance

Register: [Register Here](#)

Upcoming training sessions for Grade Center

Friday, May 6th 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Blackboard Advanced: Email Notifications:

The Blackboard notification system alerts you when events occur in your courses, such as when students submit gradable work, post to discussion board or send you a course message. This workshop will focus on both the email notification and email sending capabilities of Blackboard.

When: Friday, February 19, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: NSC 107 Lab

Presenter: Carine Surdey & Catagay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#)

3D (Dine, Discuss Diversity) Series

Growing Up Poor-The Lessons of Poverty

The 3D lunch series was conceived of as a way for the campus community to learn and share ideas about various aspects of diversity. Having open, honest and insightful conversations about diversity, in a friendly and civil atmosphere, is one of the first steps in promoting a just, fair, and inclusive environment for students, faculty, and staff.

When: Wednesday, February 24, 2016

Time: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Where: Wales 203B

Presenters: The President's Task Force

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Topics: All dates are Wednesdays, 12:00 – 1:00 pm in Wales 203B

March 2nd: Ageism- It Works Both Ways and You Can Opt Out

March 9th: The Science of Racism

March 16th: LGBT- Alphabet of Difference?

March 30th: Redskins, Blackhawks, The Fighting Irish, and the New England Patriots-What's in a Name?

April 6th: Why Diversity Training? Does it Work?

BCC Foundation Scholarships Now Online

The BCC Foundation has recently implemented a new scholarship management system called Award Spring; one that will benefit not only the students, but those faculty and staff who are involved in review and selection. Come learn about the new software and how applying to scholarships and recipient selection is more efficient than ever. This session is particularly beneficial to faculty and staff who are responsible in selecting students for departmental and/or application based awards and are highly encouraged to attend this session .

When: Friday, February 26, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: NSC 107 Lab

Presenter: Andrea Roma

Register: [Register Here](#)

Blackboard (Bb) 1-2-3 Face-to-Face Training

This workshop series is an introduction to using the Bb learning management system for instructors teaching online or supplementing their face-to-face courses with an online component. This training provides an overview of the Bb environment with a hands-on opportunity to try out the various Bb tools.

When: Two Consecutive Tuesdays; March 1st & 8th, 2016 (**You must be able to attend both sessions**)

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenters: Carine Surdey & Catagay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#)

So You Want to Write a Book?

“Have you ever wondered about composing and publishing a book? Some faculty at SUNYBroome have published books/textbooks during their years of teaching. Join a small panel of authors from among us and mine their experiences on the path from imagining your book to having the first copy mailed to you.

When: Thursday, March 3, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 11:50 am

Where: TRC Lab

Panelists: Dr. Michael Kinney, Steven Call, Thomas Grace, Kenneth Mansfield, and Luis Moreno.”

Register: [Register Here](#)

Doctoral Colloquium Presentations

” The Leadership Vacuum: An ethnography of the first year of an experienced president taking the reins of a high-profile community college”

Doctoral candidates writing a dissertation will have the opportunity to present to the campus community their dissertation topics and research methodologies. The discussions primarily are intended to assist those doctoral candidates preparing their dissertation defenses as well as those individuals in the initial stages of making a dissertation proposal or those who are in the process of writing the dissertation. This opportunity also is available to those who already have completed their doctorate and wish to present and discuss their research.

When: Wednesday, March 9th, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Where: TRC Conference Room

Presenter: Dr. Kevin Drumm

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Topics: All dates are Wednesdays, 3:00 – 4:30 pm in the TRC Conference room

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 Dr. Christopher Origer topic to be announced

Wednesday, May 11, 2016 Dr. Joan Koster ” *Bookmarking racism: Challenging white privilege through children’s literature and participatory action research in a suburban school.*”

Topic to be announced

Research indicates that the sooner a student feels engaged with the college experience the higher the probability that they will reach their academic goals. Join your colleagues for a discussion of a new on boarding process for our campus and other initiatives for enhancing student engagement. Bring your ideas.

When: Thursday, March 10th, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: Wales 203B

Presenter: Dr. Frances Battisti

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Dates: All dates are Thursdays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm in Wales 203B

April 21st

May 12th

SUNY Broome alumna becomes U.S. ambassador

February 16, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome alumna Linda Swartz Taglialatela began the next chapter in her career on February 1, when she presented her credentials to Sir Elliott Belgrave, Governor-General of Barbados.

The Vestal native is now the U.S. ambassador to the island nation. She was nominated by president Barack Obama late last year, followed by a U.S. Senate confirmation in December. Not just limited to Barbados, the Vestal High School graduate also will have responsibilities for a range of Caribbean islands, including the Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

She earned an Associates of Arts in 1969 from what was then called Broome Technical Community College, followed by a bachelor's in economics from SUNY Oneonta and a MBA from Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

"During her 36 years of service to the Department, Ms. Taglialatela has amassed an outstanding record of performance, leadership, and accomplishments," the U.S. Department of State wrote in a November 2015 memo.

She began her career in 1973 as a management analyst with the Government Accountability Office, where she focused on federal personnel and compensation reviews. After transferring to the international audit group, she became interested in the State Department and joined the Foreign Service in 1979. Working for the Office of the Inspector General, she inspected 45 embassies and consulates, and also served as Special Assistant to the Inspector General, where she focused on strategic planning, congressional affairs and interagency coordination.

Following several assignments, including a tour as the Management Counselor at the United States Embassy in Bern, Switzerland, she returned to Washington, where she served as deputy director and then director of the Office of Resource Management and Organization Analysis in the Bureau of Human Resources.

During the course of her career, Taglialatela has received numerous awards. In 2004 and 2014 she was the recipient of a Meritorious Presidential Rank Award, and in 2008 she received the Distinguished Presidential Rank Award. She has been a sponsor and mentor to countless Foreign Service Officers and Civil Service employees during the course of her career, according to the Department of State.

"Excelling at resource management, goal setting, delivering results and team building, she is a proven senior leader with the right combination of problem-solving, creativity, and interpersonal skills that will serve her well as Chief of Mission both inside and outside the Mission in Bridgetown," the State Department said in its report.



Linda S. Taglialatela, Chief of the U.S. Mission to Barbados, the Eastern Caribbean and the OECS. Photo by the U.S. Department of State.

Campus Shop to open later on Feb. 17 due to inventory

February 16, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The Campus Shop will have abbreviated hours on Wednesday, February 17, due to inventory.

The shop will be open from 1 to 5 p.m.



Pop-Up Pottery Sale on February 17 ****location updated****

February 16, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Grab some great deals at the Pop-Up Pottery Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, February 17, in the Student Center lobby.

All items will be \$20 or less.

Proceeds will help support the SUNY Broome Women's Institute.



Feb. 18 Common Hour: Current Events

February 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join faculty panelists Leeland Whitted, Major Barnett and John Sterlacci to discuss what you need to know about current events at 11 a.m. Feb. 18 in T-102. This event will prime you for class discussions and job/transfer interviews where you are asked to respond to the current issues of the day.



Farewell Party for Jenae Norris on Feb. 16

February 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Please join us in congratulating Jenae Norris, as she has accepted a position at Binghamton University as the Senior Associate Director of Recruitment in the Admissions Office.

Jenae has served as Director of Admissions at SUNY Broome for the past eight years. During that time, the College consistently increased applications (by 4,000 for this coming fall) and markedly increased visits to campus from New York State, out of state, and international students.

During her tenure, Jenae was pivotal in the implementation of the Binghamton Advantage Program. She established Explore SUNY Broome Day and created additional locations such as Greece and Ecuador in Study Abroad. Jenae has also co-chaired SUNY Broome Open House since her arrival.

There will be a Farewell Reception for Jenae from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, February 16, on campus in Wales 203B. Colleagues are also invited to celebrate with Jenae after work at McGirk's Irish Pub at 5 p.m. 12on the same day.

Get published: Breaking Ground 2016 Call for Submissions

February 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Get your work published in *Breaking Ground*, SUNY Broome's literary magazine.

The Spring 2016 issue's theme is "Feast or Famine." All SUNY Broome students, faculty, administrators, staff and alumni are welcome to submit their best original poetry, fiction, creative non-fiction, memoirs, artwork, photography or graphic stories.

All submissions must be complete and received by Monday, March 28. As with past issues, the only criteria are vividness, vitality, depth of thought and expression and, above all, excellence.

The theme of the 2016 issue is food, in all its many permutations and disguises. Consider the sensuality of it, yes, but also the scarcity of it. This might include feasting and gourmandizing, dieting and gluttony, or it might include famine and starvation. Food as cultural metaphor, food as obsession, food as political or fashion statement, food as protest, food as cultural symbol – all these are potential subjects to explore in your creative work.

Additionally, there is a \$100 first prize and \$75 second prize for best cover art/photography.

[Get additional guidelines and submit your work by clicking this link.](#)

SUNY Broome to announce airplane donation

February 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



SUNY Broome received the donation of an airplane for its future airplane maintenance degree program from Dr. Richard Bedosky, a local businessman and retired area dentist.

The donation will be announced during a press event at 10 a.m. February 24 at Greater Binghamton Airport. The event will be held in Hangar 2, where the airplane is being housed.

Expected attendees include Dr. Bedosky and family, SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm, Broome County Executive Debbie Preston, and other representatives from the college, the Broome Community College Foundation and the airport.



Dr. Bill Altman Releases New E-Book on Excellence in Teaching

February 15, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

The Society for the Teaching of Psychology (Division 2 of the American Psychological Association) has just released the e-book *Essays from E-xcellence in Teaching* (Volume XIV), edited by Dr. William S. Altman (SUNY Broome Community College), Dr. Lyra Stein (Rutgers University), and Dr. Jonathan Westfall (Delta State University). This collection of essays about best teaching practices, teaching tools, and techniques, is based on the popular series of essays edited by Dr. Altman and Dr. Stein. Anyone may download the book for free at <http://teachpsych.com/ebooks/eit2015/index.php>. The other 14 volumes, and many other excellent books about teaching may be found at <http://teachpsych.org/ebooks/index.php>.

SUNY Broome to host NJCAA National Men's Hockey Championship Feb. 27 and 28

February 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The 2016 NJCAA National Men's Hockey Championship is coming to the SUNY Broome Ice Center on February 27 and 28.

The puck drops for the semifinal games at 3 and 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 27. Then, see the final two teams go head-to-head for the championship at 2 p.m. Sunday, February 28.

Tickets are available at the door for \$10 each day, or \$15 for a full tournament pass. Children under age 10 can see the game for free.

Don't miss this chance to see the best teams in junior college hockey battle for the championship title at the SUNY Broome Ice Center!



The Monday Poem: ‘An Ordinary Crisis’ by Connie Wanek

February 14, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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

An Ordinary Crisis

by [Connie Wanek](#)

I don't recall what final unfairness
made me pack to run away, whether it was
fall or spring. Either matched my haste.
Everything I needed fit into a pillowcase.

I had read about hobos, stuffed bandanas
on a stick, jackets lined with grass for warmth.
I knew what I was doing. My cousin
had taught me how to whistle.

I was crying, though; I remember that.
It's so much harder to cry now
unless I see someone dear overwhelmed,
especially a man. I suffer a diminished

capacity to drag a dirty pillowcase
through a ditch. At the border, staring toward
the railroad tracks, into the immensity,
my mother found me and ordered me back

to the house. A little relieved, I obeyed.
I've always come home, or
wanted to. I've always been easy to convince,
given the least kindness.



Dining Hall, coffee shop closed Feb. 15

February 12, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Please note that the Dining Hall and the Titchener coffee shop will be closed on Monday, Feb. 15, for Presidents' Day. The Blueline Cafe, however, will be open from 12 to 2 p.m. that day.



The water is F-f-f-fine: Students take the Polar Plunge **updated with photos**

February 12, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



It was a balmy 13 degrees with just the right amount of wind kicking up the snow — perfect for a swim in ice cold water! Let's give a hand to the brave students who took the Polar Plunge on Feb. 11.

The event was organized by students in SUNY Broome's Hospitality Programs, who also cooked up some warm food — while raising money for the Wes Warren Scholarship.



Photos by Smithshell Julien









Civility Week: Questioners learn something new at Ask! ****updated with photos****

February 12, 2016

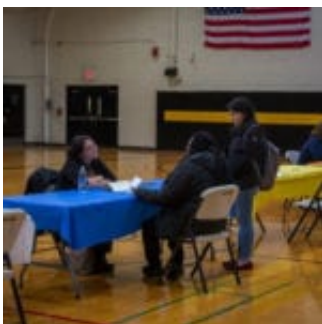
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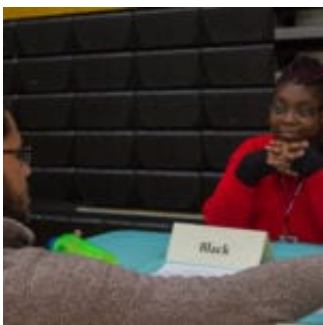
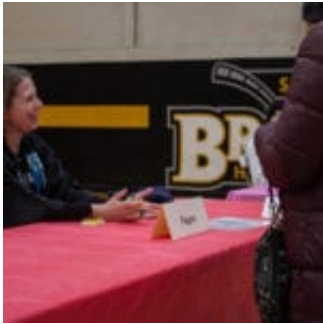
SUNY Broome students had a chance to learn about diversity — and jump in a ball pit during Ask! in the Baldwin Gym.

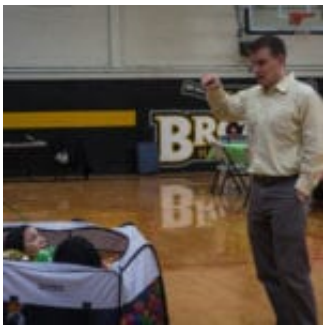
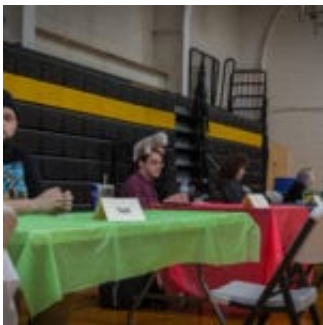
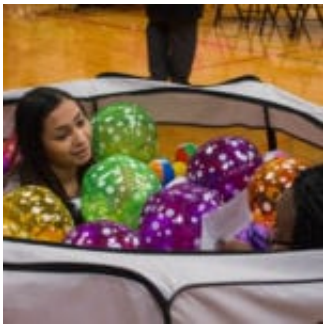
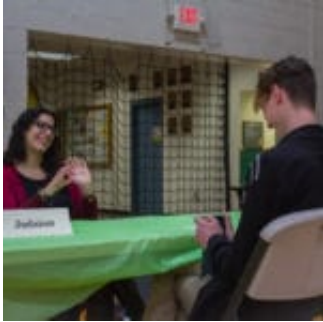
Students, faculty and staff represented a wide variety of groups — from self-described nerds to Muslims, Pagans, Jews, Christians, LGBTQ, Hispanics, African-Americans police officers, the differently abled and more. Visitors asked a wide variety of questions — several were posted on each table to get the conversation going — and had their “passport” stamped in return.

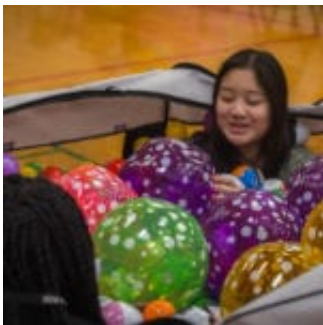
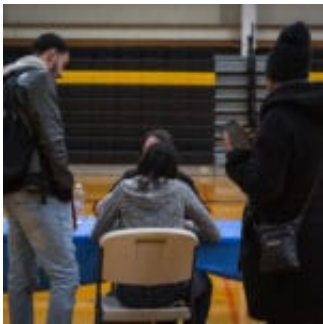
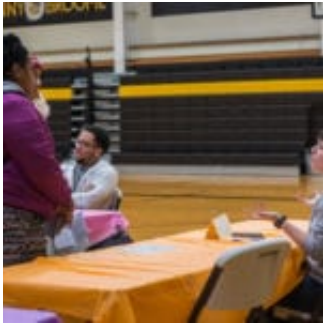
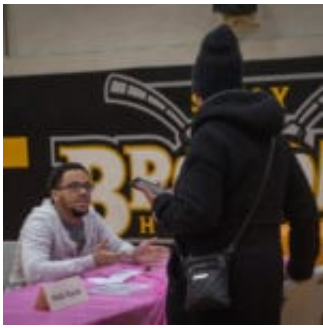
[The event was part of Civility Week.](#)

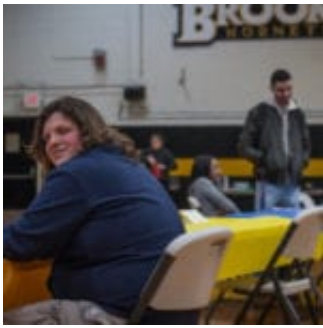


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Transfer questions? Get help from Counseling Services on Feb. 18

February 12, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Planning to transfer to another college next fall? Whether you need help with the application process, are trying to select the college that's right for you, or have questions about GPA and transfer requirements, SUNY Broome's Counseling Services are here to help!

Counseling is offering walk-in assistance for transfer questions on Thursday, February 18, in Student Services Building Room 210. Drop by and get your questions answered!



SUNY Broome to receive \$37.5K for its Education Opportunity Program

February 12, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome will receive \$37,500 to expand its Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), officials from the State University of New York announced.

The college is among 16 SUNY campuses to receive a total of \$2.3 million in Investment and Performance Fund awards for the program, which will provide access to nearly 800 new students. Currently active on 43 SUNY campuses, EOP provides access, academic support and financial aid to more than 10,000 low-income and academically underprepared students, helping them prepare for and succeed in college.

“As a critical aspect of our unique mission, community colleges educate a wide range of students from all backgrounds, abilities and talents. EOP makes a college education accessible for absolutely anyone of any background and especially those who can benefit from it the most,” said SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm. “The support services provided by EOP help students meet their unique challenges, which otherwise may keep them from the goal of a college education, a door to so many opportunities.”

Funds will be used to expand access to the summer Bridge to Success initiative for qualified EOP students, providing them with on-campus housing during the duration of the four-week program. Bridge to Success will give students the opportunity to improve in English, writing and mathematics, as well as attend workshops on topics ranging from financial literacy to college success study strategies, career readiness and more.

“This funding will result in the development of a 28-day intensive academic orientation and classes for this group of students,” said Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti. “Students will be living on campus while attending classes in English, math and literacy. Each student will also participate in an academic Applied Learning activity while in this intensive program.”

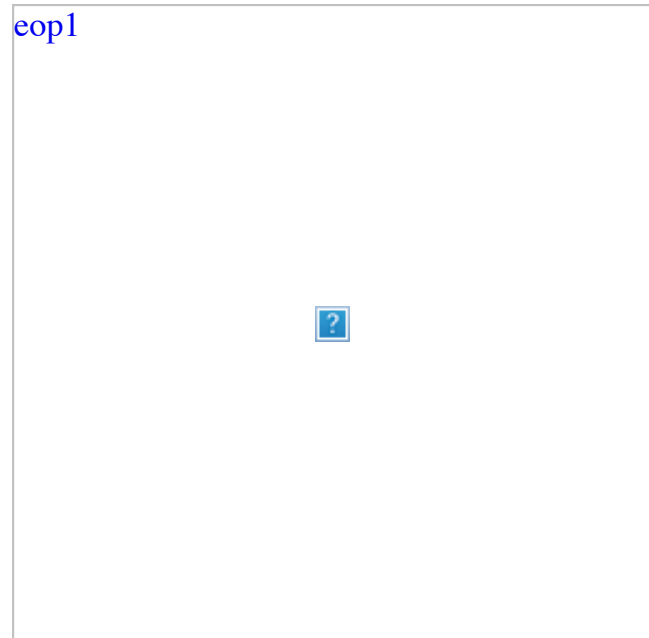
During the Fall 2015 semester, SUNY Broome had 63 EOP students.

“The Educational Opportunity Program at SUNY is one of our most success and sought-after programs, with more than 30,000 students applying for 2,500 available seats each year,” said SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher. “Bringing programs like EOP to more students – that’s what our completion agenda sets out to do, and it is precisely what the Investment and Performance Fund can accomplish. We are thrilled to be sharing these awards with our campuses today in recognition of their excellent work and dedication to student success.”

In concert with the EOP program, SUNY’s Educational Opportunity Centers (EOC) and Advanced Technology Training and Information Networking (ATTAIN) Labs deliver community-based, academic and workforce development programs and services to more than 20,000 adult learners at more than 40 locations across the state.

[The Binghamton Opportunity Center](#), a collaborative initiative between SUNY Broome, the Broome County Urban League and SUNY ATTAIN, serves displaced workers who have been unemployed for 20 weeks or more. Classes in computer literacy, Microsoft certifications, math readiness, and career and college readiness are free to qualified students.

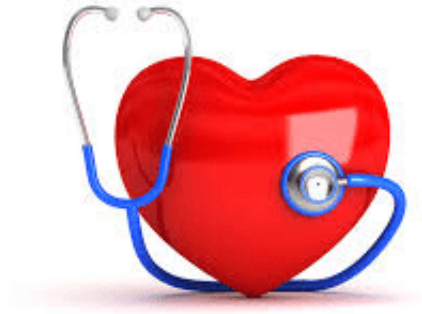
Students who do not meet the unemployment qualification can still attend computer literacy and training courses free of charge at the SUNY ATTAIN labs. These courses boost technical skill levels and offer free Microsoft certification in all areas of the Office suite.



Feb. 24: Learn about the latest cardiovascular research

February 12, 2016

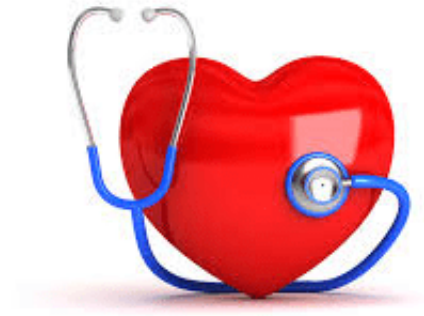
Categories: FOCUS on Wellness



As we wrap up American Heart Month, you are invited to learn about new treatments in cardiovascular medicine as well as what it is like to work in this amazing field.

Guy Rogers, Valve Clinic Coordinator at the Guthrie Clinic, will be presenting the latest research in this field to Human Biology students on at 8 a.m. February 24 in Titchener 101. All are welcome to attend!

Questions? Contact Melissa Glenn in the Biology Department at glennme@sunybroome.edu.



Your Voice Matters: Faculty and Staff, we want to hear from you

February 11, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Your Voice Matters is an opportunity for SUNY Broome faculty and staff members to express concerns or make suggestions about major issues affecting our campus. Hot topic issues will include applied learning, civility and bullying, and facilities improvements.

The event runs from 11 a.m. to noon Thursday, February 18, in Decker 201.

There will be the option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the SG website prior to the forum. Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.

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Adventure course: Visit five national parks in BIO 115

February 11, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The Biology Department at SUNY Broome is once again accepting applications to participate in BIO 115: Ecology of the National Parks. Experience the awe-inspiring scenery of Yellowstone, the Tetons, the Grand Canyon, Zion and Bryce National Parks while learning about ecological principles from these magnificent areas. Take the treacherous hike up Angels Landing, descend the canyon on the Kaibab Trail, and whitewater the turbulent Snake River.

This 4-credit course will be taught during Term III of summer school, with field studies taking place from July 5 to July 21. Enrollment is very limited. To apply or get further information on this grand adventure, contact Dr. Richard Firenze at firenzerf@sunybroome.edu or at 607-778-5067.



Affordable Care Act Compliance 2015

February 11, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

For the 2015 year employers are required to issue Form 1095-C to report information relating to the health coverage that they offer (or do not offer) to their full-time and eligible employees.

Originally, the forms were required to be distributed no later than January 31st, 2016, but the distribution deadline has been extended to March 31, 2016 by the IRS.

SUNY Broome Community College has been diligently working on this project and it is our goal to get the required forms to employees as soon as they are readily available. Once the forms are completed and ready for distribution, all full time and eligible employees will be receiving Form 1095-C for the 2015 plan year.

What does this mean to you?

Form 1095-C is now a required, annual IRS form.

Individuals generally use this information to confirm that they have had minimum essential health insurance coverage for purposes of the individual shared responsibility requirements (also known as the individual mandate).

As a result of the IRS extension, individuals may not receive this information before they file their income tax returns.

PLEASE NOTE: *For 2015, you can file your income tax returns without the Form 1095-C. Your income tax returns need not be amended once you receive your Form 1095-C, but keep the form with your tax records.**

When Booty Goes Mainstream: SUNY Broome to screen ‘Bottom’s Up’

February 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

From Sir Mix-a-Lot’s “Baby’s Got Back” to celebrities such as Kim Kardashian, Nicki Minaj and Jennifer Lopez, big booty has gone big-time in popular culture. The celebration of big butts, however, has real life consequences – in the form of dramatic and even dangerous cosmetic surgery.

Join the SUNY Broome Women’s Institute on Feb. 26 for a screening of “Bottoms Up,” a documentary that examines why women choose to go under the knife, the impact of media and other societal pressures that have propelled big butts from a cult fetish to a mainstream phenomenon.

New York City-based director Kurt Williamson and producer Chris Alvarez will attend the campus screening and join the conversation following the film.

The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. February 26 in Decker Health Sciences Building Room 201. Refreshments and a discussion will follow the screening of the 45-minute film.



Get Your Team Together for the SUNY Wellness Challenge

February 10, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

The SUNY Wellness Challenge will run this year from March 7 to May 2. Start recruiting your team members and think up a name! Teams will have four people, including the captain. Registration starts soon; watch for more information!

Navigating cultures: Author Cathy Bao Bean describes her cultural journey ****updated with photos****

February 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



“I hate you,” [Cathy Bao Bean](#)’s mother told her as she lay dying.

She meant it, Bean knew – even though she had given her daughter power of attorney, even though her daughter took care of her until the day she died.

Cultural divides are often curious and even humorous. “You can’t understand a culture if you don’t understand its humor,” Bean told SUNY Broome students Feb. 8 during a special presentation of “The Chopsticks-Fork Principle: A Memoir and Manual.” Because humor is so culturally specific, it can be tough to catch the joke – unless you’re secure enough to admit your ignorance and ask.

During the talk, which kicked off Civility Week, the author shared humorous and poignant stories of her upbringing as the middle child in a Chinese immigrant family. They were the only Chinese family in Teaneck, New Jersey, at a time when racial quotas sharply limited the number of immigrants from Asia.

Her older sister Bette knew two phrases in English – “Lucky Strike” and “shut up” – vaulting her ahead of Cathy in class. Bette went on to marry a State Department employee, Winston Lord, who lost his job because the federal government considered his new bride a security risk. He went on to become ambassador to China under President Reagan, and Bette Bao Lord to achieve success as a bestselling novelist.

Cathy attended Tufts University – one of her favorite photos shows her performing as a cheerleader in the 1960s – and then earned her master’s at Claremont Graduate College in California. That’s where she met ceramic artist Bennett Bean, a sockless artist who first thought she was Japanese – and married her after a short courtship. They settled in northern New Jersey, where Cathy went on to teach philosophy at nearby colleges and universities, lead diversity workshops and talks around the country, publish her book and raise their son, who today works in China as a venture capitalist for startups.

Throughout her life, Bao Bean has navigated divergent cultures: the pyramidal, individualistic and non-relational culture of the West, and the relationship-driven, non-individual and consensus-based culture of east Asia, which resembles more of a web.

“Only once in my 74 years did I have to choose between one world and the other,” she said: when her mother

professed her lifelong hatred for her daughter.

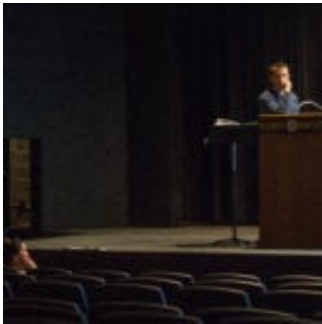
Bao Bean struggled to make sense of it, but concluded that it had to do with the cultural divide and the importance of family roles. Her elder sister lived up to the expectations of fame and fortune, and her younger sister dutifully became the supportive handmaiden after she retired from the corporate world, visiting and caring for her parents every weekend. Bao Bean was supposed to be the scholar – a prestigious role in China – with a Ph.D. and a lucrative gig “somewhere my mother had heard of.” She didn’t become the scholar her mother had hoped for – and didn’t apologize for it, either.

“I liked the decisions that I made. For that, my mother hated me,” she reflected. “It wasn’t personal.”

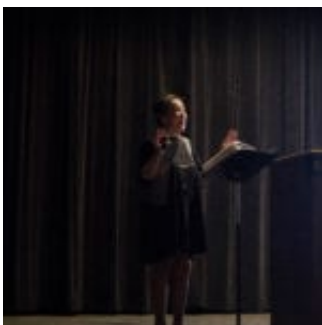
Bao bean encouraged the listeners to look at ordinary events – birthday parties, jokes, the ins and outs of daily life – to understand the “culturally extraordinary.”

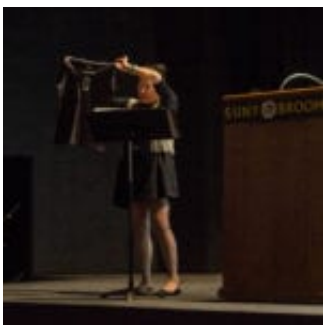
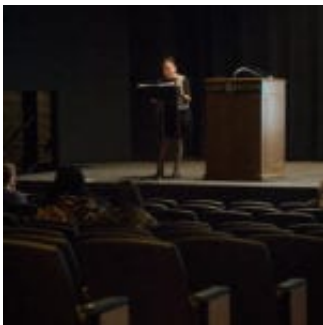
“If you take multiculturalism seriously, there is no norm,” she said.

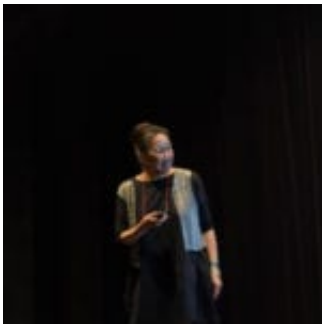
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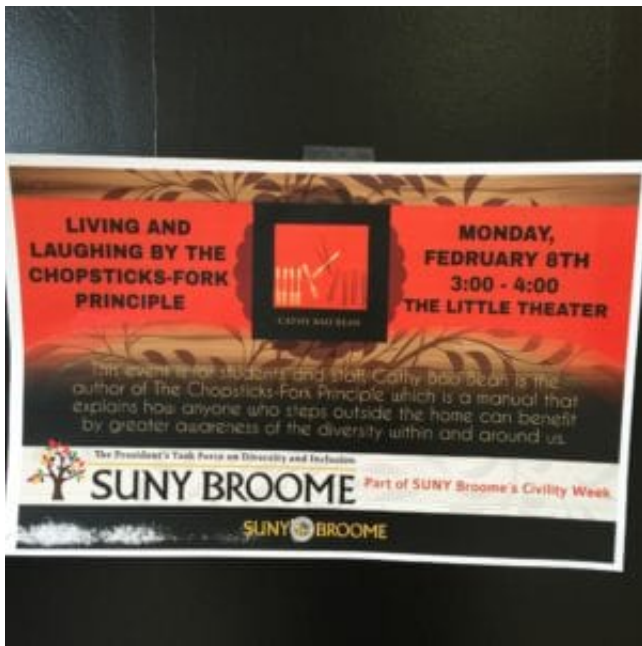
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Cathy Bao Bean speaks



Spring 2016 PDAP Funding available

February 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Dear Colleagues,
Funding for activities taking place between January 1, 2016 and August 31, 2016 is now available. These PDAP funds are accessible to both Faculty and Staff.

For funding consideration, please read through the information about the Professional Development Assistance Program (PDAP) on the Professional Development website: (<https://www.sunybroome.edu/web/professional-development/assistance-program>). This site also contains the recently updated and approved forms that must be used for full consideration of your PDAP request.

PDAP applications should be sent to the secretary to the Chief Academic Officer (S227; mailstop #55) by **February 29, 2016.**

The Professional Development Steering Committee will meet shortly after this date to act on the applications. Applications received after the February 29th deadline will be accepted in the unlikely event that funds are still available.

Please contact Jamie Heron-Starr (x5592) if you have any questions on the PDAP application procedure.

Feb. 25: See the film ‘Bad Blood: A Cautionary Tale’

February 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Keuka students and the Bleeding Disorders Association of the Southern Tier (BDAST) will present a viewing of the movie “Bad Blood: A Cautionary Tale” from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, February 25, in Decker 201.

What if you were a hemophiliac who was given a life changing medical treatment only to discover that you are now living with HIV, Hepatitis C, or both? Please join us in watching a film that documents the worst medical disaster in U.S. history: contaminated blood products.

Admission is free. There will be a bake sale at the event to support BDAST.



Transferring to BU? Instant Decision Day is Feb. 25

February 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Looking to transfer to Binghamton University? Don't miss Instant Decision Day, which runs from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, February 25.

Who is eligible? SUNY Broome students.....

- Who have at least 45 earned credits and will complete their SUNY Broome degree prior to August 30, 2016
- Applying to enter Binghamton University for the Fall 2016 semester
- Majoring in Liberal Arts & Sciences or Human Development
- With a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA

How do I participate?

- 1.) Make an appointment in the Counseling Services Office (SS-210) prior to 4 p.m. Monday, February 22.
- 2.) Complete and submit the SUNY application online by Monday, February 22.
- 3.) Keep your appointment for Instant Decision Day.

- Bring your official transcript(s) from all previous colleges you may have credit from in official, sealed envelopes with you to the Counseling Services Office (SS-210)
- SUNY Broome will provide your current official SUNY Broome transcript.
- Arrive prepared to speak with a BU Transfer Admission Counselor about your application and receive an instant admission decision.

Questions? Email transfer@binghamton.edu.



Summer Travel Course: Mountain Geology & Climate

February 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



We're now accepting applications for PHS 210: Mountain Geology & Climate, a summer course that will take you to the White Mountains of New Hampshire!

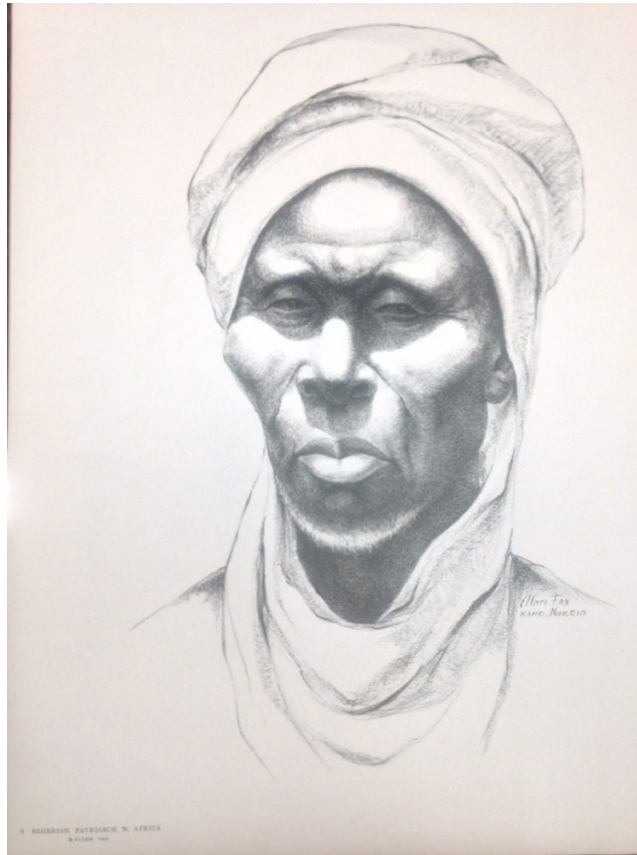
As part of the course, we will hike portions of the AT and stay in a high hut along the trail. Please contact Kennie Leet or Jason Smith for course details and application. Applications are due by March 18, 2016.



BSU to unveil collection of prints by prominent black artist

February 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The Black Student Union is pleased to present “Black and Beautiful,” a collection of 10 prints by African-American artist Elton Fax.

Fax was born in 1909 in Baltimore, and earned a bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Syracuse University in 1931. An illustrator, artist and cartoonist, he died in 1993 in New York City.

“Black and Beautiful” will be permanently displayed on the second floor of the Business Building.

The Black Student Union will present the entire collection from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday, February 12, in Decker Health Sciences Room 201.

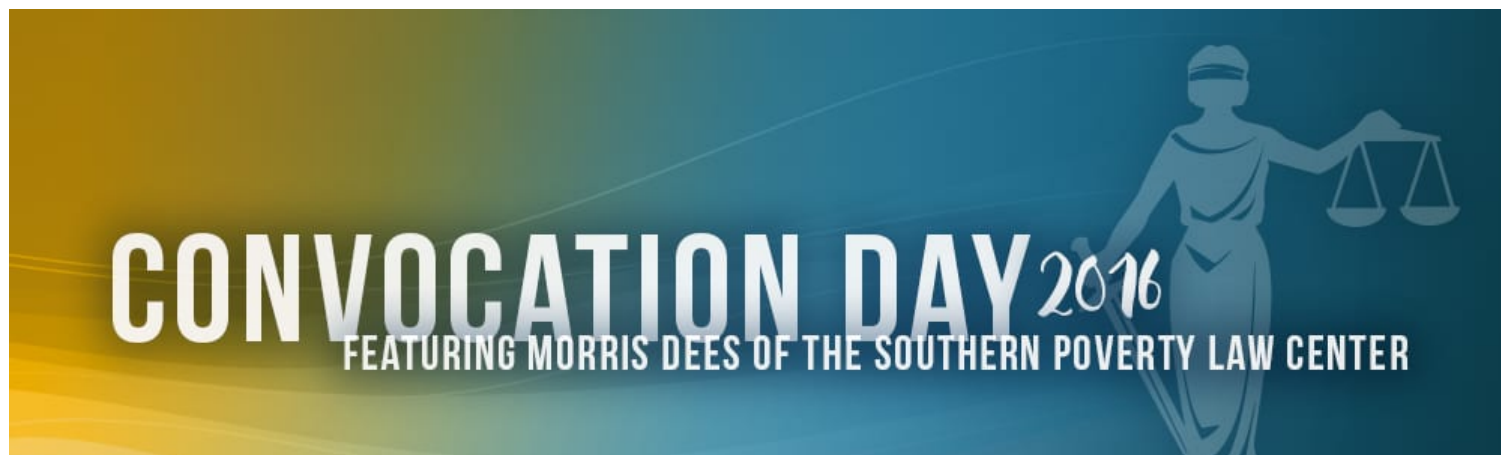


Portrait of an elderly Black woman, 1834

Learn about Convocation Day 2016

February 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The Convocation Day website has just what you need: <http://www.sunybroome.edu/convocation>

Go to the website to find out:

- Biographical information on the **Convocation Speaker, Co-Founder of the Southern Poverty Law Center and Attorney Morris Dees**
- The list of more than **50 Convocation Faculty Scholars** who are teaching faculty from the Business and Public Services Division, the Health Sciences Division, the Liberal Arts Division, and the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Division
- ***Fast Facts*** sheet about Convocation Day for SUNY Broome students, faculty and staff
- FAQ about Convocation Day as a SUNY Broome tradition
- The **schedule of events for Convocation Day, Tuesday April 12, 2016**, including the keynote address by Attorney Morris Dees

SUNY Broome's Convocation Committee is a cross-divisional campus effort which celebrates the annual gathering of the academic community for consideration of the themes and topics around each year's Convocation Day

Professor Irene Byrnes (Chair)

Professor Rachel Hagerman, Health Sciences Division

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

Dr. Courtney O'Hagen, Liberal Arts Division

Heather Coggin, Acting President, Student Assembly

Assistant Librarian Sue Slivan, Library

Instructional Designer Tera Doty-Blance, TRC

Professor Gian Roma, Business and Public Administration Division

Professor Carla Michalak, Liberal Arts Division

Origins: Exhibit explores the beauty and tradition of African art

February 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The slender statue of a woman graces the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, facing a row of intricate masks hung at varying heights. In a corner, the statue of a man playing a drum joins a djembe, agogo bells, a kalimba and a rattle, along with a harp-like instrument. Pillars hold an array of statuary and a piece of checkered cloth, while an ornate door leans against a wall, flanked by a roaring bronze lion.

The pieces – some connected with religious rites, others purely decorative or functional – come from numerous countries in Africa: Mali, Cameroon, Burkina Faso, Congo. And they come to the SUNY Broome campus by way of the Bundy Museum in Binghamton, which generously loaned the items in its collection.

“Origins: Traditions of African Art” will be on display at the library gallery through March 1.



“There aren’t many African art displays on campus. We think it’s a great way to show the culture and get deeper insight into African culture,” said Katherine Shelton, a second-year Liberal Arts major and vice president of the Black Student Union, which hosted the show’s opening reception.

Three SUNY Broome students – [Matt Pitcher](#), Alanna De La Cruz and Miranda Buckland – selected the pieces from the Bundy collection. With the help of SUNY Broome library archivist Robin Valashinas, they created the exhibit, designing the flow of traffic. Hanging the masks was difficult, conceded Pitcher, a second-year Liberal Arts major who heads the campus Art Club.

“We wanted to create a sense of direction and a sense of movement. We looked at how the room flows and where your eyes go,” explained De La Cruz, a first-year Business Administration major who is vice president of the Art Club.

The three students particularly appreciated the opportunity to explore the Bundy’s collection, and chose items that represented an array of cultures as well as physical sizes and themes.

While impressive, the exhibit isn’t the only one on campus this month that will highlight African culture. The Black Student Union will present “[Black and Beautiful](#),” a collection of 10 prints by African-American artist and illustrator Elton Fax (1909-1993), from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday, February 12 in Decker Health Sciences Room 201. After the reception, the collection will be permanently displayed on the second-floor of the Business Building.

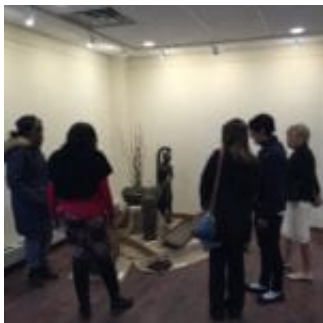
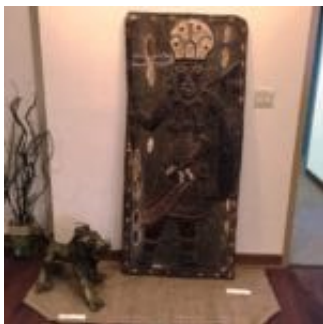
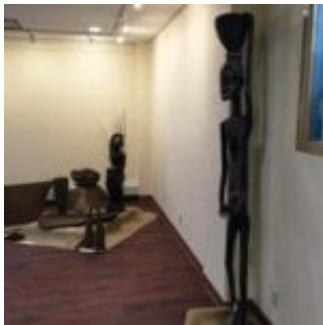
Community members are more than welcome to visit the Gallery @ SUNY Broome for Origins, as well as other exhibits during the year, said SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm, who attended the opening reception. The gallery is located on the library’s first floor.

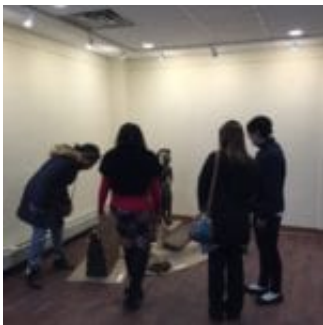
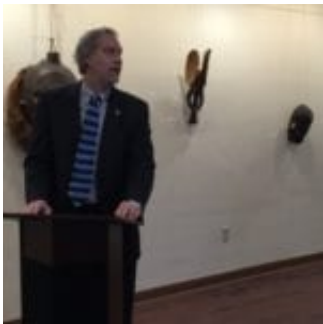
“We’re dedicated to the arts throughout our mission here at SUNY Broome and we would like to invite the community to visit this gallery anytime,” President Drumm said.

[Check out event listings for Civility Week here.](#)



Opening reception for Origins: Traditions of African Art.







SUNY Broome policy: Smoking/vaping in vehicles is prohibited

February 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome's Board of Trustees recently revised the campus' smoking policy. Please note **that smoking or vaping in personal vehicles is prohibited**. In the future, we will also be expanding the smoking gazebo in the Hickory Road area.

The policy is as follows:

To promote campus health, SUNY Broome Community College prohibits the use of tobacco products and smoking devices on campus, except for two designated outdoor smoking gazebos. This ban covers all smoking and/or tobacco products, including chewing tobacco, smokeless tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, pipes, electronic cigarettes and personal vaporizers. Individuals are prohibited from smoking or using any of the above listed products on College property except in the designated gazebos. This policy for off-campus locations shall be dictated by the property owners except in SUNY Broome owned, leased or rented space. SUNY Broome asks the campus community to be considerate of others in regard to the use of tobacco products and smoking devices.



Thank you from Cheryl Heath

February 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

I would just like to say “Thank You” to everyone that made my last few weeks at work very special. I was completely humbled by all the people who reached out to wish me well with my retirement and overwhelmed by the generosity of gifts, cards, emails, phone calls and personal visits. I will always have fond memories of SUNY Broome and will dearly miss many, many people I worked with over the years. Your words of appreciation and support were greatly appreciated. I could never thank everyone enough.

Take care and God Bless,

Cheryl Heath
Registrar’s Office Retiree

Open house at new Interfaith Space is postponed

February 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Please note: The open house at our new Interfaith Space scheduled for Feb. 9 has been postponed.

Stay tuned for future announcements rescheduling the event — and make sure to check out [Civility Week!](#)



Feb. 11 Common Hour: Point-Counterpoint

February 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join panelists with divergent points of view for a discussion of the most important current events of the day.

Faculty presenters Scott Corley and Carla Michalak will lead the discussion at 11 a.m. Feb. 11 in T-101.

[CommonHourEvent_PointCounterpoint](#)



Buzz Report: 'Ask!' to showcase campus diversity on Feb. 11

February 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



SUNY Broome Counselor Deb Hibbard will be hosting Ask! from 11 a.m. to noon on Thursday, February 11, in the Baldwin Gym. This program was designed to help people become more culturally aware of their surroundings as a part of Civility Week.

Ask! allows students and faculty alike to ask questions to various people representing different groups and parts of the community. Attendees will have the chance to interact with Pagans, Christians, Muslims, athletes, lesbians, nerds, African-Americans and many more groups, asking any questions that they want, including those that may feel awkward or socially inappropriate outside of this program.

The main focus of this program is to help people gain a better sense of their community and all of the members in it by simply allowing people to be open with one another. In case you have never had a pressing question to ask, there will be some questions presented for you to ask the representative. Although everyone is different and no whole community can be represented by one single person alone, this program is going to give insight into the representatives' experiences as they are seen through that label.

As attendees go from one station to another, they will have a civility passport that will be stamped at each station. Once the passport is filled, the attendees will be entered into a raffle and will be eligible for some cool prizes. There will also be a ball pit to hang out in and enjoy as you help contribute to a more culturally aware SUNY Broome.

So come out and support SUNY Broome as it helps the campus grow culturally. Come and positively contribute to a better and more civil SUNY Broome!

Buzz reporter Victoria Estell is a SUNY Broome student.



Get Involved: Student Activities Day is Feb. 16

February 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Discover all the different fun things you can do on campus during Student Activities Day, from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday, February 16, in the Baldwin Gym. Clubs will be tabling at this event, which will also feature lots of fun things to do!



Upcoming Board of Trustees meetings

February 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The Board of Trustees of SUNY Broome Community College has scheduled the following meetings:

- February 16, 2016 (Tuesday) – Monthly meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee, 8:00 a.m., Wales Administration Center Conference Room 107.
- February 18, 2016 (Thursday) – Monthly meeting of the Board, 5:00 p.m., Decker Health Science Building Libous Room D117.

All meeting sites are on the SUNY Broome campus and open to the Press and Public

Time for a dip: The Polar Plunge returns Feb. 11

February 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Will winter sneak up on us just in time for our annual outdoor dip? Find out at 11 a.m. February 11, when the Polar Plunge returns to the SUNY Broome campus,

A brave group of students will jump into a pool full of ice water, provided by Coral Isle Pools and Spas on the Quad. Plungers obtain pledges for each minute they can last in the frigid water. The longer they stay in the water, the more money they raise!

The third annual event will raise funds for the Wes Warren Memorial Scholarship. Warren, a Criminal Justice professor, beat out all the other contestants in the first Plunge, held in February 2013.

Students in SUNY Broome's Hospitality program are helping coordinate the event. Refreshments will be available for purchase – as well as bags of ice, in case you want to make the water just a little bit cooler.

Looking to make a donation before the event? Contact Maria Montemagno at montemagnomk@sunybroome.edu.



Feb. 11 Common Hour: Weird job interview questions

February 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join this fun and entertaining session at 11 a.m. Feb. 11 in T-102, which features student leaders of the Phi Theta Kappa honors society throwing weird job interview questions at the student leaders in Toastmasters International. You'll laugh, you'll learn and you'll be ready for your big job interview.

The event is led by faculty presenters Kathleen McKenna and I.J. Byrnes.



Feb. 10 Doctoral Colloquium to feature Dr. Jesse Boring

February 7, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

Doctoral Colloquium Presentations

” Children of Divorce-Coping With Divorce:- A Randomized Control Trial of an Online Prevention Program for Youth Experiencing Parental Divorce.”

Doctoral candidates writing a dissertation will have the opportunity to present to the campus community their dissertation topics and research methodologies. The discussions primarily are intended to assist those doctoral candidates preparing their dissertation defenses as well as those individuals in the initial stages of making a dissertation proposal or those who are in the process of writing the dissertation. This opportunity also is available to those who already have completed their doctorate and wish to present and discuss their research.

When: Wednesday, February 10th, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Where: TRC Conference Room

Presenter: Dr. Jesse Boring

Register: [Register Here](#)

Future Topics: All dates are Wednesdays, 3:00 – 4:30 pm in the TRC Conference room

Wednesday, March 09, 2016 Dr. Kevin Drumm ” *The Leadership Vacuum: An ethnography of the first year of an experienced president taking the reins of a high-profile community college*

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 Dr. Christopher Origer topic to be announced

Wednesday, May 11, 2016 Dr. Joan Koster ” *Bookmarking racism: Challenging white privilege through children’s literature and participatory action research in a suburban school.*”

The Monday Poem: ‘Circuitry’ by Janine Joseph

February 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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

‘Circuitry’ by Janine Joseph

I.

The rung wide
receiver forgets why

he set his keys on the football field.
Whose are they? he asks—a ringing

in his ear—while clenching
the green. As if on the edge

of a pool, he tilts his head to drain
water out of his canal.

It was like that, all the time,
after. *How many fingers?*

he was asked, and not to tell
a lie—it would mean his career.

It would mean recognizing you
without your jacket when you

walked out of the room. It would mean
you could say, *Stay here*

with me, and in his eyes
could watch him come back.

II.

I spiral the parking lot, singing,
It's alright, I'm alright,

while I count the pole lights back
to my car. I practice *red, table, lamp*

with a neuropsychologist and now
I can tell you about how my brain

blew in the acceleration. I was in
a locked position—the details

unbearably clear in the replay and, still,
no one else heard me swallow

the impact. Bend at your hips
from your two-point stance and, there,

the muffler is a finger wagging
one one one inches from the ground.

The tire-less car rests on its crutch
of blocks, the windows a crunch

of glass. Are you feeling the rush now
as you look to me, your brain still

in your head—is it still in your head?
Can you point for me where

it happens in the connection, where
on the line the old equipment

resets itself and loops?
Is what you say the truth?

About This Poem

“In December of 2008, I was rear-ended at a stoplight by a sedan that the police report estimated was going 50-70 mph, based on the resulting damage. My brain shook in its case and though facets of my personality—particularly my sense of humor—remained intact, the following days, weeks, and months were marred by aphasia, vertigo, and anger, among other symptoms. To this day, what I find most remarkable about that experience is how I woke up one concussed morning and, without understanding what it meant, suddenly remembered that I was a poet.”

—*Janine Joseph*



Blackboard (Bb) 1-2-3 Face-to-Face Training

February 5, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

This workshop series is an introduction to using the Bb learning management system for instructors teaching online or supplementing their face-to-face courses with an online component. This training provides an overview of the Bb environment with a hands-on opportunity to try out the various Bb tools.

When: Two Consecutive Tuesdays; March 1st & 8th, 2016 (**You must be able to attend both sessions**)

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenters: Carine Surdey & Catagay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#)

2016 Women's History and Culture Month Film Institute

February 4, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

(Please see attachment below for more details)

- **Date:** Friday, March 4, 2016
- **Venue:** Decker 201
- **Time:** 1-3 p.m.
- **Target Audience:** SUNY Broome Students
- **Purpose:** Scholarly activities to encourage students to view films critically by providing them with a film viewing guide and access to relevant films placed on library reserve, to analyze media and film portrayals of women, to consider the impact of gender on social roles and opportunities
- Films which are available, on library reserve, to student scholars in the Institute include: *Spy; Juno; The Iron Lady; Princess Mononoke; Gravity; Memoirs of a Geisha; Set it Off; Snow White and the Huntsman; The Help; Miss Representation; Madame Presidenta; Iron Jawed Angels*. Additional films may be placed on reserve. Student scholars will be able to pick up a **brochure** describing all Institute opportunities as well as a **Guide to Film Viewing** at the Library Circulation Desk
- **Sponsor of the Institute:** SUNY Broome's Women's Discussion Group
- **Follow-Up Event:** *The Secret History of Wonder Woman* March 10, 2016 panel discussion, in T-102 at 11 a.m.
- **Recognition Opportunity for SUNY Broome Students:** Scholarly certification is available through the Institute. More details will be sent to teaching faculty and via campus media and the Women's Discussion Group's SWARM website
- **Recognition Opportunity for SUNY Broome Teaching Faculty:** E-mail byrnesij@sunybroome.edu if you plan to provide credit or extra-credit for student participation in the Institute and **receive certification** noting your support of the Institute and a **formal thank-you note** from student leaders
- For more details, SUNY Broome students should go to the SWARM website for the Women's Discussion Group which can be reached by logging onto the college website. Then, click on SWARM and then the Women's Discussion Group
- [Spring 2016, Women's Film Institute](#)

Competition for cleanup energy startups

February 4, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

[76West](#) is a community of technology innovators, industries, educators and investors all working together to help clean energy startups grow in the Southern Tier. They offer an unparalleled opportunity that will empower your team with the capital, guidance and resources you need to do business in New York's Southern Tier.

The online application is now open for the 76West competition. For more information, please visit: <http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/76west>.

Applications must be received by **March 15, 2016**.



SUNY Broome also has solar panels!

Medical Assisting students hold blood pressure screening

February 4, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments, FOCUS on Wellness



Medical Assisting program seniors held a blood pressure screening event in the Student Center on Tuesday, February 2. They screened more than 200 students, faculty and staff screened in just two hours!

The SUNY Broome Medical Assisting students did an excellent and very professional job providing blood pressures. THANK YOU to the SUNY Broome campus community for helping our students perfect their skills.

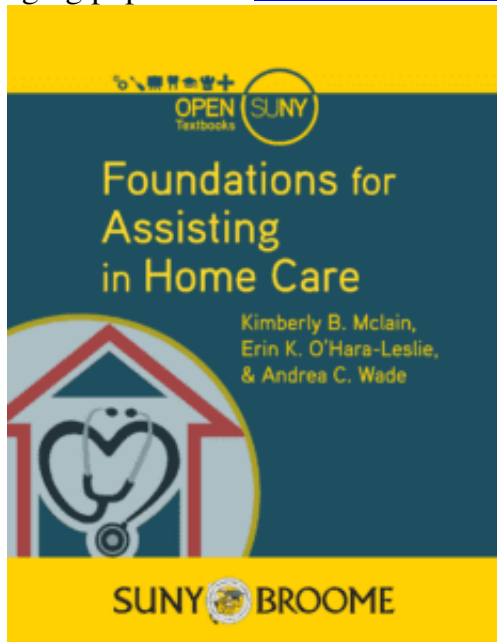


SUNY Broome's MOOC now on-demand, includes free online textbook

February 3, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

SUNY Broome's first Massive Open Online Course, or MOOC, opened on Feb. 1 with a [new on-demand format in Coursera](#). Now, anyone can take and complete the free course on their own time and schedule. Also available starting Feb. 1 is the [free electronic textbook that accompanies the course](#). Authors are Kimberly McLain from the Medical Assisting & Health Studies Department; Erin O'Hara-Leslie, chair of Medical Assisting and Health Studies; and former Dean of Health Sciences Andrea Wade. "Foundations for Assisting in Home Care" provides instruction about how to better care for homebound patients or family members. The course also serves as an introduction to the work done by Home Healthcare Aides (HHA) and Personal Care Assistants (PCA), which provide a level of care increasingly needed for an aging population. [The course has drawn students from all over the world](#).



Cool to be Kind: Civility Week 2016 starts Feb. 8 ****updated****

February 3, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Civility is defined as consistently treating people with consideration and respect, and valuing the culture and humanity of others. Celebrate with Civility Week 2016, a series of events brought to you by the President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion.

Monday, February 8, listen to Chinese-American author [Cathy Bao Bean](#) discuss "Living and Laughing by the Chopsticks-Fork Principle" at 3 p.m. in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theater. Her book explains how anyone who steps outside home can benefit by greater awareness of the diversity within and around us.

On Tuesday, February 9, stop by the Student Center lobby from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to make a Valentine's Day or general appreciation card with the Dean of Students team. It's free!

On Wednesday, February 10, brownbag it to the 3D Lunch and Learn session at noon in Wales 203B. This week's topic is "Civil Discourse in and out of the Classroom: Promote, Respond, Not React." Have an open, honest and insightful conversation in a friendly atmosphere.

From 7 to 8:30 p.m., head to Share the Love in the Student Village lobby, where you can pick up condoms and get tips on how to be respectful to your partner.

Thursday, February 11, features a trio of Common Hour options, all starting at 11 a.m.:

- Point-Counterpoint, with Scott Corley and Carla Michalak, takes place in Titchener 101. Come discuss the issues and implications related to balancing free speech, oppressive language and civility.
- [Ask!](#) takes place in the Baldwin Gym. Meet various people representing different groups and parts of the community. Plus, jump in the ball pit!
- Have fun in the Green Dot Selfie Booth in the Student Center lobby. Tell us what you do to help the world.

Share the Love continues from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, February 12, in the Student Center lobby. Condoms will be available while supplies last.

Explore the work of African-American artist Elton Fax in "[Black and Beautiful](#)," a reception sponsored by the Black Student Union. You can also see Fax's work during the event, which runs from 3 to 5 p.m. in Decker 201.

Bonus event: [Your Voice Matters!](#) This forum, scheduled for 11 a.m. in Applied Technology 200, is exclusively for students to express concerns and make suggestions about issues affecting the campus.

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Musicians: Perform your music on campus on Feb. 12

February 3, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The poster for the Solo Sound Music Showcase features a silhouette of a person singing into a microphone against a background of red and blue stage lights. The text 'DIVERSE CULTURAL XCELLENCE Presents' is at the top, followed by 'SOLO SOUND' in large yellow letters and 'MUSIC SHOWCASE' in smaller white letters. The right side of the poster contains event details in white and yellow text on a dark background.

DIVERSE CULTURAL XCELLENCE
P r e s e n t s

**SOLO
SOUND**
MUSIC SHOWCASE

FEBRUARY 12TH
7:00PM - 9:00PM
LITTLE THEATER & STUDENT CENTER LOBBY

FREE EVENT
SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY PROJECTDCX

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PERFORMING FOR OUR
OUR MUSIC SHOWCASE
SIGN UP NOW
ARTIST SIGN UP FEE
\$3.00 = 5 MINUTES \$5.00 = 10 MINUTES
EMAIL: DIVERSECULTURALXCELLENCEBCC@GMAIL.COM

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#SELFIESYNDROME
SELFIE BOOTH = 2 TICKETS INSTAFRAME = 2 TICKETS
SELFIE STICK WALL = 1 TICKET DIY PROPS = 1 TICKET
REFRESHMENTS = 4 TICKETS OR \$2.00

\$1.00 = 2 TICKETS \$3.00 = 5 TICKETS

Diverse Cultural Xcellence, a student group, is looking for musicians and artists who want to have their music heard on campus for Solo Sound.

The event will run from 7 to 9 p.m. Feb. 12 in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theater, and include a photo booth and refreshments. Project DCX also will be featured as a special guest.

While the event is free for all students and faculty, it costs \$3 for 5 minutes and \$5 for 10 minutes to perform on stage. No cursing is allowed. To sign up as a performer, email DiverseCulturalXcellenceBCC@gmail.com.

Food and the photo booth cost \$1 for two tickets and \$3 for five tickets. It takes one ticket to participate in the do-it-yourself props and selfie wall, two for the selfie booth and Instagram frame, and four for refreshments.

DIVERSE CULTURAL EXCELLENCE
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SANS OUCH! Feb. 2016: Securing Your Home Network

February 3, 2016

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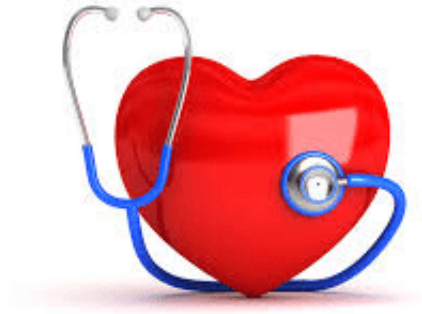
Welcome back EVERYONE to the Spring 2016 Semester! We are excited to announce the February issue of OUCH! This month, led by Guest Editor Cheryl Conley of Lockheed Martin, we focus on securing your home network. With so many devices nowadays connecting to people's homes, we felt it was important that people understand how to secure them. As such, we ask you share OUCH! with your family, friends, and coworkers.

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American Heart Association's National Wear Red Day on Feb. 5

February 3, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness



Cardiovascular diseases, including heart disease, stroke and high blood pressure, is the #1 killer of American men and women. As part of a nation-wide approach, February has been chosen this month to wear red and help raise awareness of this disease and the impact it has on our lives.

One in three women die of heart disease each year. Celebrate National Wear Red Day with Go Red [THIS](#) Friday, February 5, and wear your red all day!

If you would like to purchase a Red Dress Pin or Red Wrist Band to wear for the Wear Red Day, please stop by the TRC (LI 101) and see Deena Price.



Factors That Increase Your Risk for Heart Disease:

- High cholesterol
- High Blood Pressure

What You Can Do to Avoid It:

- Choose foods that are low in saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium and added sugars
- Eat plenty of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, fish, nuts, legumes and seeds

- Smoking
- Diabetes
- Being Overweight or obese
- Inactivity
- Select Fat Free and Low-fat Dairy
- Exercise at least 2-1/2 hours per week
- Add strength training to your workouts
- Limit sugar sweetened beverages

Feb. 9: A Community Conversation on Substance Abuse

February 2, 2016

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SUNY Broome's Center for Civic Engagement and WSKG are partnering to help the community [deliberate](#) "Over the Edge: What Should We Do When Alcohol and Drug Use Become a Problem to Society?"

The event will run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 9, at WSKG's studios at 601 Gates Road in Vestal.

Participants will engage in a discussion around substance abuse in which various solutions will be considered. Strengths, weaknesses and trade-offs for each solution will be weighed.

For more information, contact Civic Engagement Coordinator Lisa Strahley at strahleyla@sunybroome.edu.

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Please drive safely on campus

February 2, 2016

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Make sure to drive safely on campus this and every semester!

Remember to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and obey posted speed limits. Let's keep campus safe, Hornets!

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Feb. 8: Living and Laughing By the Chopsticks-Fork Principle

February 2, 2016

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Rooted in the telling of one family's life, "The Chopsticks-Fork Principle: A Memoir and Manual" by [Cathy Bao Bean](#) is a story for all families.

The author, a Chinese immigrant, will give a presentation from 3 to 4 p.m. Monday, February 8, in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theater.

In this humorous and poignant memoir, Bao Bean recounts how she figured out how to be herself, as well as raise a son whose artist father did things such as paint the lawn. As Cathy Bao Bean attempts to satisfy disparate cultural norms, she provides us with a unique window into the experience of a bicultural family.

The Chopsticks-Fork Principle is a manual that explains how anyone who steps outside the home can benefit by greater awareness of the diversity within and around us.



Cathy Bao Bean

Academic Department Budgets Due February 3

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This is a reminder that all Academic Department budget proposals for 2016-17 are due to Associate VPs and Deans on **February 3**.

Below is the 2016-17 SUNY Broome Budget Development Calendar:

Budget Proposals

Dec 11: Forms and instructions sent to department heads (Proposed Personnel, Contractual Expense & Travel Expense)

Feb 3: All Academic Department Proposals due to Associate VP and Dean

Feb 10: All Proposals due to VP with Associate VP and Dean OR Director priorities and recommendations

Feb 26: All Proposals due to Larry Allen (Budget) with VP priorities and recommendations

Final Proposed Budget Developed

March-April: Campus funding priorities determined and proposed budget developed

March 31: Tentative proposed budget initial discussion with SUNY Broome Board of Trustees

April 21: Tentative proposed budget discussed with SUNY Broome Board of Trustees final time

May 2: Proposed budget due to County Executive

Feb. 4 Common Hour: Scholarships for SUNY Broome students

February 1, 2016

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Join Andrea Roma from the Broome Community College Foundation to find out how you can become a candidate for one of the many scholarships offered by the college and its four academic divisions.

The event starts at 11 a.m. Feb. 4 in T-102.



Feb. 9: Learn the basics of COIL

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Tuesday, February 9, 11:00-11:50 TRC Conference Room, Introduction to Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL)

Come learn the basics about COIL-ing classes. What is COIL? How would my students benefit from a COIL-ed class? How would I begin to make a connection with an international colleague? How might COILing work in my discipline?

Come to an interactive workshop with COIL veterans on campus: Lynda Carroll, Gina Eckert, Jan McCauley, Kathleen McKenna, and Myriam Stanton.

Most COIL work is done virtually. However, SUNY has some competitive grant money available for folks who would like to travel to meet their partners and for their partners to travel to our campus.

To register, please visit: <http://www.sunybroome.edu/web/professional-development/offerings>

Hurry: United Way campaign ends Feb. 5

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We're off to a good start! It's not too late. You're only 5 short clicks away from making your pledge this week!

SUNY Broome is going online this year with its annual United Way of Broome County donation drive! Donating to the United Way is easy, and an excellent way to help the region's nonprofits and give back to the community. Best of all: 100% of your gift goes directly to community programs in Broome County! Chances are someone you know has benefited from one of the United Way's 31 partner agencies.

United Way is inviting you to join the campaign, which runs from Jan. 25 to Feb. 5, 2016. Simply use the link provided to log into the United Way's ePledge system and follow the prompts. You can designate which charity or charities you wish your pledge to support. Please contact Rhoda Neal at x5138 if you have any questions.

Thank you for making a difference and supporting the United Way.

Pledge Link: <https://broome.unitedwayepledge.org/SUNYBroome>

The passing of Darien Frias

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It is with great sadness that we share the news of the death of Darien Frias due to a car accident. Darien had attended SUNY Broome last year before transferring. The hearts of the SUNY Broome community are with Darien's family and friends.

Students who would like to receive supportive counseling can contact Counseling Services, which is located in Student Services Room 210. Students can stop in to make an appointment or call 778-5210.

Students held a candlelight vigil on Sunday night for Darien.

Sabbatical Leave Application Deadline

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The deadline for the receipt of Sabbatical Leave applications is Friday, March 11.

Click the following memo from Executive Vice President Francis Battisti for more information:

[Sabbatical Leave App Deadline](#)

Buzz Report: As the Campus Grows, We Should Too

February 1, 2016

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I have lived in the Residence Hall since Fall 2014. I looked forward to living on campus and being right in the middle of all that the campus had to offer. However, a few weeks into my first semester, I noticed a growing disdain from professors and commuters alike for the Residence Hall students.

I wasn't sure why this stigma was being created; all of the people that I had met in the Residence Hall were good people who were going places. Sure, you met a few people here and there who weren't taking advantage of the education that was being given to them, but I saw that everyday in the classroom too. Professors were quick to talk about how the Residence Hall students didn't show up or how rude and disrespectful they were, but they never once woke up the snoring commuter who had fallen asleep during their lecture as they ranted on about being disrespected.

I'm not saying that all Residence Hall students are perfect students; we are all college students and we are all bound to make mistakes. But to say that the commuters are better students because that's all this campus has known for so long is also incorrect. Commuters and Residence Hall students are nearly equal when looking solely at their grades: 62.6% of housing students reached a GPA of 2.0 or higher, whereas 63% of non-housing students reached a 2.0 or higher.

At the end of the day, we are all here to get a quality education. It is hard to do that when you don't feel supported in a classroom. That is one of the major factors that pushed me to be a Resident Assistant this academic year, and is also why I wanted to start writing for The Buzz. I love this school and I want to do whatever I can to help the campus as it grows while I am here.

Buzz reporter Victoria Estell is a SUNY Broome student.



SUNY Broome's new Student Village opened in Fall 2014.

‘Origins: Traditions of African Art’ to open Feb. 5 at the Gallery

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The Gallery @ SUNY Broome will present “Origins: Traditions of African Art” in honor of Black History Month this February.

The exhibit will start on Friday, February 5, and run through March 1. The opening reception, hosted by SUNY Broome’s Black Student Union, will run from 3 to 5 p.m. in the gallery, located on the first floor of the Library.

The Bundy Museum has generously loaned the college African artifacts from their traveling collection. The exhibit will feature a large number of artifacts, including masks, sculptures, statues and figurines. The artwork is a living example of Africa’s rich history and traditions.





Polish your public speaking skills with Speakers of the House

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Want to communicate with confidence, become a better speaker and presenter, listen effectively and develop your leadership skills? Check out Speakers of the House, SUNY Broome's chapter of Toastmasters International.

You're invited to visit any of their meetings, which begin at 3:10 p.m. February 5, 19 and 26 in Darwin R. Wales Center Room 203B. For more information visit <http://speakersofthehouse.toastmastersclubs.org/> or visit them on Facebook: Speakers of the House.



Bathroom repairs in the Business Building

February 1, 2016

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The handicapped-accessible stall in the Business Building first-floor ladies room will be out of service for several days. Many thanks for your patience.