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Art Exhibit: Finding Your Voice on display in the campus gallery

March 31, 2016

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In "Finding Your Voice," a new exhibit at the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, children and Early Childhood Advocates use visual arts as a vehicle for finding and expressing their voice on topics that are important to them.

The art will be on display from April 2 through April 29. The opening event will occur from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. April 2, following the SUNY Broome Children's Fair, in celebration of the Week of the Young Child.

Photo and video gear roadshow to stop at Student Center on April 5

March 31, 2016

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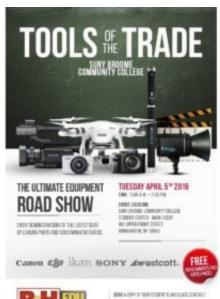


State-of-the-art photo and video camera gear and accessories will be on display from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, in the lobby of the SUNY Broome Student Center. The showcase is being sponsored by the Department of Communications and Media Arts.

Specialists from New York City based B & H Photo, SONY and Canon will be at SUNY Broome to showcase the latest in photo and video gear.

The showcase is also scheduled to include a drone demonstration (weather permitting) outside of the Student Center.

Students are eligible to sign up for educational discounts from B & H. A valid student ID and current class schedule are required to qualify for the student discount program.





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Retirement planning: Fidelity consultant to be on campus April 5

March 31, 2016

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John Farar, a Fidelity Workplace Planning and Guidance Consultant, will be on campus from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, in Wales 203A.

To schedule a free one-on-one appointment, call 844-FOR-SUNY or register online at <u>getguidance.fidelity.com</u>. Appointments are required.

Click the flyer below for more information.

715808.1.102 SUNY Broome April Flyer FINAL

Dining online: Visit BCCDining.com

March 31, 2016

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Want to know what's being served up in the Dining Hall today, the hours the Titchener Coffee Shop is open, or get this week's menus?

Visit <u>bccdining.com</u> to get the information you need!

Marketplace: Printer cartridges available

March 31, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Cheryl Sullivan has following cartridges available if others need them.

For HP Laserjet printers:

- (2) HP C7115A 15A cartridges (black)
- (1) CC532A 32A cartridge (yellow)
- (1) CC531A 31A cartridge (Cyan)
- (1) C4127X 27X (black)

For Canon printer:

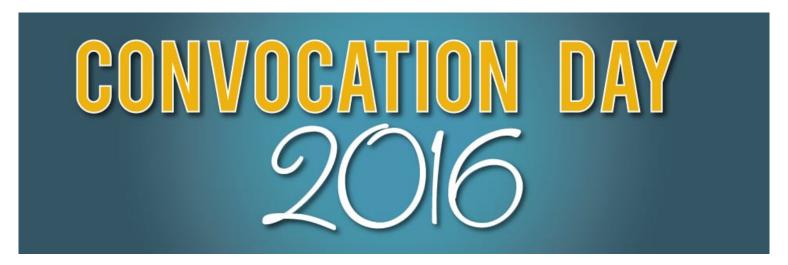
(3) GPR – 10 (black)

Call her at X5021 or email sullivancl@sunybroome.edu if you're interested.

Convocation Day: No classes on April 12, but plenty to do and learn

March 31, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



As is tradition, there will be no day or evening credit classes on Convocation Day, which is Tuesday, April 12.

However, we would encourage the campus to come out and support this important event!

SUNY Broome's annual Convocation Day on Tuesday, April 12, will bring together the campus community to discuss the continued prevalence of racism in our country.

Professor Sut Jhally is a scholar whose work focuses on cultural studies, advertising, media and representations of race and gender. He is the producer of more than 40 documentaries on media literacy topics and the founder and executive director of the Media Education Foundation. His documentaries have analyzed sexual imagery in music videos, and his foundation has produced documentaries that analyze tough guys in rap videos and mobster movies. One of his most famous video productions is "Advertising and the End of the World," which links advertising and the habits of a consumerist society to the global environmental crises. He is also well-known for his series of documentary films on "Dreamworlds: Desire, Sex and Power in Music Video."

Dr. Jhally will give his keynote address, "Why America Can't Think Straight about Race," from 10 to 10:50 a.m. in the Baldwin Gymnasium. A discussion with Dr. Jhally will follow from 11 to 11:50 p.m. in the Baldwin Gym. The documentary "White Like Me: Race, Racism & White Privilege in America" will be screened at 2:30 p.m. in Titchener 102.

The Convocation Day Committee, with the help of several amazing SUNY Broome faculty, staff and members of Student Assembly and Phi Theta Kappa, also have put together a full day of activities including afternoon workshops, student poster sessions and many opportunities for students to win prizes.

Afternoon events run from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. They include:

- "Human Trafficking" by faculty presenters Diane O'Heron and Kristin Bensen-Hause in Titchener 102
- "Laughing Away Racism" by faculty presenter Phyllis Amenda in Titchener 101
- "'Detour Spotting:' Promoting Behaviors that Advance Justice" by faculty presenters Vanessa Rodriguez and Scott Corley in Decker 201
- "Eugenics in America: Our War Against the 'Unfit'" by faculty presenter Rick Firenze in Natural

Science Center 201

- "Talking about Race Through Literature" by faculty presenter Chris Origer in Titchener 106
- "Know Your Rights at Work" by faculty presenter Gian Roma in Business 210

Raffles will be held during the afternoon events for SUNY Broome gear, gift cards and other prizes.

Additional afternoon events include a Student Musician and Convocation Day Cookout by SUNY Broome's Hospitality Club in the Student Center patio; food will be available for purchase. The Natural Science Center Student Research Poster Presentation Symposium will run from 12 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the AT Atrium. Students from Biology, Chemistry, and Physical Sciences will present posters of their work in these fields.



Spring Teaching Conference on April 9

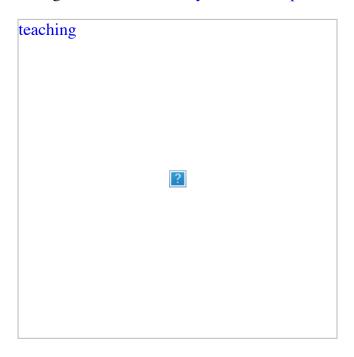
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The Spring Teaching Conference, sponsored by Adjunct Council, will run from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9, in Business Building Room 110. The event is open to all faculty.

This year's topic is "Tools to Improve Student Outcomes in the Classroom." Presenters include Rev. Dr. Andrew Watkins and Dr. Carol Mikoda.

To register, visit <u>www.sunybroome.edu/prodev</u> or call 607-778-5611.



Speakers of the House April Meetings

March 31, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Want to communicate with confidence? Become a better speaker and presenter? Listen effectively? Develop your leadership skills? Help others reach their goals?

Check out Speakers of the House, SUNY Broome's chapter of Toastmasters International! They meet at 3:10 p.m. April 8 in Student Services Room 205 and April 15, 22 and 29 in Darwin R. Wales Center Room 203B.

For more information, visit http://speakersofthehouse.toastmastersclubs.org/ or find us on Facebook: Speakers of the House.



US Department of State – SUNY COIL Grant Opportunity

March 31, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY COIL and SUNY Broome announce a new grant opportunity available to our faculty members. With funding from the U.S. Department of State, SUNY COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning) is working to bring together U.S. and Mexican teaching partners for Fall 2016 collaborations.

This initiative brings into the SUNY COIL network nine new Mexican university members, including the Universidad de Celaya, which was invited based on SUNY Broome's recommendation.

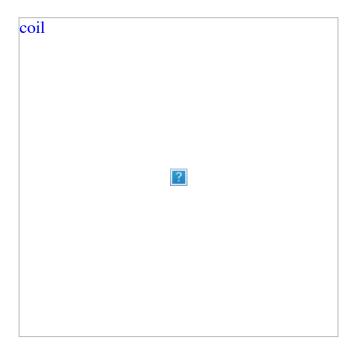
The interested Mexican partners teach in a mix of fields, including Business, Economics, English, Foreign Languages, Meteorology, Climatology, Software Engineering, Psychology, and Communications. It is not necessary to collaborate with someone in the exact same field.

Those selected for these grants will participate in an online training program in the summer.

They will also travel to Cuernavaca, Mexico, June 20-24, and be part of in-person workshops for the faculty involved in 18 new sponsored partnerships. Each will have the opportunity to visit his or her partner's campus in June and his or her partner will have the opportunity to visit SUNY Broome in the Fall.

There may be a final capstone event in Mexico City in Fall 2017.

The application process will occur in April 2016. For more information, please contact Kathleen McKenna at 778-5137, mckennakm@sunybroome.edu or Jan McCauley at mccauleyje@sunybroome.edu.



Basket raffle on April 1 to support BC Center

March 31, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Support the BC Center with a basket raffle! Baskets will be on display Friday, April 1, in the Student Center Lobby from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Renovations complete on bathroom in Old Scie

March 31, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Renovations are now complete on the second-floor men's bathroom in the Old Science Building. It has now been reopened.



Stay on track: Welcome to Degree Works Academic Audits

March 30, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

<u>Degree Works Academic Audits</u> is now available! Why use Degree Works? With this program, you can:

- See degree requirements for your program major
- See how completed courses and courses in progress apply to degree requirements
- Identify courses needed to complete your degree
- View your grades and academic standing
- View your overall GPA and program GPA
- Create What-If audits to view requirements if you change your major
- Estimate how many semesters it will take to graduate
- See how AP, IB and transfer credits are used to satisfy degree requirements
- Learn the prerequisites and co-requisites for courses by clicking on the course numbers
- Use the GPA calculators to determine what needs to be done to obtain your desired GPA
- Make sure degree requirements have been met and you are ready to graduate.

We recommend that you look at your Degree Works Audit at least four times a semester:

- Before you meet with your advisor to discuss registration for an upcoming semester
- After you register to ensure that the courses you picked apply to your degree requirements
- After the grades for each semester are posted
- Any time you make a change to your schedule

A Quick Launch icon has been created for everyone to obtain access through MyCollege. Need help getting started? There is a Degree Works Help website with short how-to files to help you use the program's features. Contact information is provided if you need to reach someone for further assistance.

There will also be Open Lab hours on how to navigate through Degree Works. Lab hours run from 11 a.m. to noon on Thursdays in Business Building 111. Dates include April 7, April 21, May 5, May 26, June 16, July 14 and August 18. Additional hours for the fall will be made available at a later date.



The Color Run returns to campus on May 7

March 30, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

The Color Run will return to the SUNY Broome campus on Saturday, May 7, 2016.

Dr. Kevin Drumm, President of SUNY Broome, and Keith Leahey, Executive Director at the Mental Health Association of the Southern Tier will address the members of the press at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 6, in Decker Health Sciences Room 201.

MHAST is again the charity of choice for the third annual run, and has partnered with SUNY Broome to bring the event to campus. The popular event drew more than 5,500 participants last year and has raised close to \$50K for the agency in the two years that they've been in Binghamton.

There are two rules: Wear white at the start line and be a rainbow of color at the finish. At each kilometer, participants are doused in harmless, non-toxic paint, which consists of colored corn starch. This untimed race is described as the "Happiest 5K on the Planet" and celebrates health, happiness, individuality and giving back to the community. This celebration of wellness is a perfect fit for the work done at the Mental Health Association of the Southern Tier, which believes mental wellness means seeing all of the colors.

This year, the event will adopt a "Tropicolor" theme with leis, inflatable palm trees and a rainbow beach with sand.

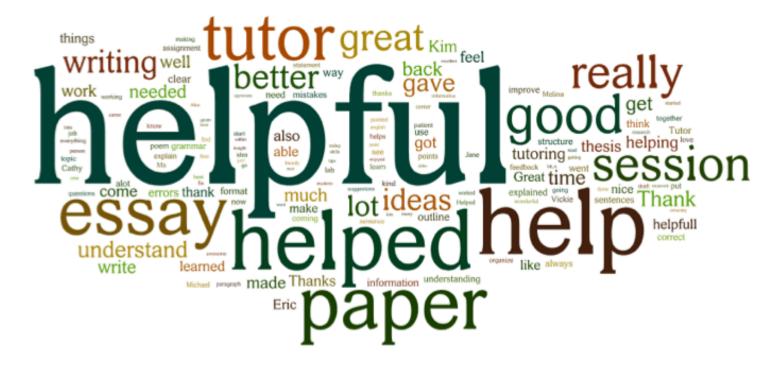
Join us on April 6 to learn more about this exciting event.



April 1 event: The Write Stuff to feature student stories

March 30, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



SUNY Broome's Speakers of the House Toastmasters Club and the SUNY Broome Writing Center invite you to The Write Stuff from 3 to 4:15 p.m. Friday, April 1, 2016 in Wales 203B

Hear the stories of Broome students Sergei, Arnecca, Beilei, Alexander, Mohsin, Ahmed and Victoria. See and hear for yourself the value of the Writing Center and of Toastmasters! Refreshments will be served.



Food and politics: Election 2016 Pizza Party on April 5

March 30, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Election 2016 is shaping up to be an historical election at the Presidential level, and even at the state and local levels. How can students become involved besides registering to vote? From 11 to 11:50 a.m. Tuesday, April 5, in Applied Technologies Room 200, students will enjoy free pizza and beverages while learning about various ways they can become involved.

- Representatives from the Republican and Democratic parties will be there to talk about how students can work for their respective parties and candidates.
- Candidates have been invited to attend to talk with students who might be interested in working on their campaign (but not to campaign).
- Representatives from the Broome County Board of Elections will explain to students how they can be trained to work on Election Day to work at a polling place and even earn money by doing so. A training workshop is a requirement for working at the polling place on election day.
- Professor Carla Michalak will briefly talk about how students can earn academic credit by taking our new POS 201: Political Internship course.
- Student government leaders and civic engagement faculty will explain how students can help other students get registered to vote.

This day will give students a good idea of how they can make their democracy work for the good of the country. This event is co-sponsored by the Student Assembly; the History, Philosophy and Social Sciences Department, and the SUNY Broome Center for Civic Engagement. Any questions should be directed to Heather Coggin, Student Assembly President, at cogginhl@sunybroome.edu or Professor Doug Garnar, CEAB member, at garnardc@sunybroome.edu.



Only 11 days left to support the SUNY Broome Team in the AHA Heart Walk!

March 30, 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 10, at 9 a.m. 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 \$5,000 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 <u>Field of Hearts Form</u> and we will do it for you!) please contact Deena at 778-5611.



Academic Coffee House: The Value of Diversity in the Classroom, Thursday, March 31

March 30, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The Value of Diversity in the Classroom

Scientific American article on diversity and potential for making us more creative, diligent and harderworking:

http://www.scientificamerican.com/article/how-diversity-makes-us-smarter/

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 21

May 12

Adventures in Virtual Reality on Monday, April 11

March 30, 2016

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Digital artist and game tech designer Su Hyun Nam, an instructor in the University at Buffalo's Department of Media Study, will be doing a presentation on 3-D Virtual Reality in Game Tech Design.

She will be showing examples of the production and design process, as well as interactive projects designed by her current and former students. Participants will get to experience the projects interactively using Oculus Rift Virtual Reality headsets. Nam's work has been presented internationally at venues from Spain, UAE, Greece and Singapore to Japan.

Join us from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday, April 11, in Titchener Room 102!





Reminder: Nominate a Colleague for the Spirit Award!

March 30, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Do you know a colleague who embodies the spirit of SUNY Broome? Would you like to see them recognized for their service, dedication, and unique contributions to the College?

Each year, the SUNY Broome Spirit Award is presented to a campus member who consistently exhibits an exemplary commitment to the College. Please consider nominating someone you know for this special recognition. It is easy! Simply complete the nomination form and mail to Donna Rehak, MS #66 by April 8. Nominations will be announced, making even the nomination an honor. The winner will be announced at the Employee Recognition Event on May 6.

Take a moment to honor a colleague today!

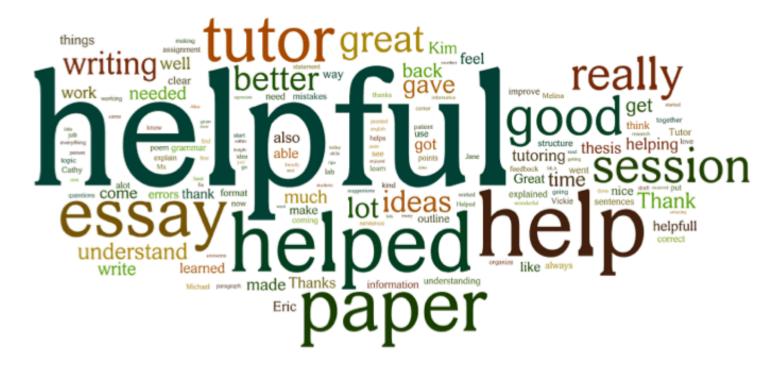
Nominations are due to Donna Rehak, Mail Stop #66 by Friday April 8, 2016.

Please use the attached form to submit your nomination. Thank you!

Spirit Award Nominating Form 2016

Speakers of the House and The Writing Center present 'The Write Stuff'

March 29, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



Speakers of the House invites you to 'The Write Stuff' on Friday, April 1, 2016.

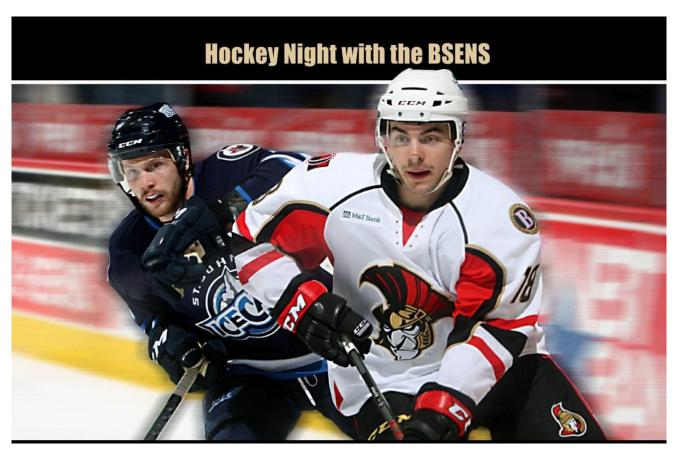
Students from SUNY Broome's Writing Center will be presenting speeches they have written. Please join us at 3:10 p.m. in Darwin R. Wales Center Room 203B for this special event showcasing our student speakers and the Writing Center.



Hospitality Night with the B-Sens on April 9

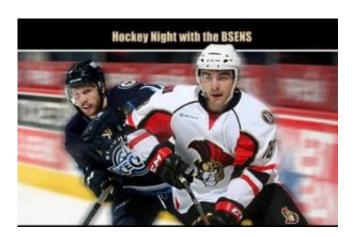
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Join the B-Sens on April 9 at the Floyd L Maines Veterans Memorial Arena to help support SUNY Broome Hospitality Programs!

The game will start at 7:05 p.m. Tickets start as low as \$18, with \$3 from every ticket going back to SUNY Broome. To order tickets, contact the B-Sens Ticket Office directly at 607-722-SENS.



PTA Club to hold 5K Run/Walk on April 23

March 29, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program will hold its first annual 5K Run/Walk at 10 a.m. April 23 in Chenango Valley State Park.

The cost is \$25. Pre-register by April 20 to get a t-shirt. Email <u>pta@sunybroome.edu</u> for a registration form or find them on <u>chenangofitness.net</u> under the upcoming events tab. For questions, contact Sara Couchman at <u>pta@acad.sunybroome.edu</u>.

Registration and packet pick-up begins at 8:30 a.m. on race day. Pre- and post-run food and beverages will be available, as well as raffle baskets filled with local goodies.

All proceeds will benefit SUNY Broome's Physical Therapist Assistant Club.

registration form



Save the date: Middle States PRR meeting on April 5 *Updated with link to draft*

March 29, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized

There will be a Middle States Periodic Review Report (PRR) town hall meeting on April 5, 2016, to present and discuss the final report to be submitted to Middle States on June 1, 2016. Please come and have your voice heard. Information about the venue and time are below:

Venue: Titchener Room 102

Time: 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

<u>Interested in reading the draft? Click here.</u>

SUNY Broome job fair to feature nearly 90 employers

March 29, 2016

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This year's Martin Luther King Jr. Job Fair at SUNY Broome will feature nearly 90 employers in a wide range of fields from across the Southern Tier. The annual event, held in partnership with the Department of Labor, runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 7, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center. The event is open to SUNY Broome students, alumni and community members.

Last year's job fair drew approximately 70 employers. This year's event is at its maximum capacity – good news for job-seekers, who are encouraged to bring multiple copies of their résumé.

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

ACCO Brands * ACHIEVE * Adecco * All Metro Health Care * Amphenol * Army National Guard * Autozone Inc. * Avon * Binghamton Police Department * Binghamton University Dining Services by Sodexo * Brookdale Vestal West * Broome County Government Security Division * Broome Oncology * Broome-Tioga BOCES * The CBORD Group * CMP Advanced Mechanical Solutions * Colonial Voluntary Benefits * Community Options New York, Inc. * D & R Technical Solutions, Inc. * Employment Solutions * Endicott Precision, Inc. * Endless Mountain Learning Center, Inc. * ENSCO Avionics * Epilepsy-Pralid, Inc. * Evolution Consulting * Express Employment Professionals * The Family & Children's Society, Inc. * Family Enrichment Network * Fidelis Care NY * Finger Lakes Parent Network * Foam It Insulation * Foresters Financial Services, Inc. * Global Receivables Solutions * Governor's Office of Storm Recovery (McKissack & McKissack) * Greater Binghamton Health Center * Guthrie Health * HCA – Helping Celebrate Abilities * The Hearth at Castle Gardens * Jack Sherman Toyota * Liberty Resources * Lourdes * Manpower * The Medicine Shoppe * Mirabito Energy Products * NBT – Mang Insurance Agency * New York Life * New York State of Health * New York State Police * New York State Department of Taxation and Finance * New York State Department of Transportation * North American Business Solutions * NYS Unified Court System - Sixth Judicial District * Oneonta Job Corps Academy * The Otesaga Resort Hotel * Pennsylvania State Police * Peoplelink Staffing, Inc. * Premier Technologies * The Raymond Corporation * Refrigerated Transport Electronics, Inc. * The Rob Salamida Co., Inc. * Rural Health Service Corps * Sage Truck Driving Schools * Security Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York * Servpro of Broome County * Speedway * Shafer's Tour & Charter * STCR, Inc. * Staffworks * Stafkings * Susquehanna Nursing & Rehab Center * Teamworld, Inc. * Time Warner Cable * Tioga Downs Casino * Tioga State Bank * Townsquare Media * UHS * UHS Senior Living at Ideal * UnitedHealthCare Community Plan * United Parcel Service (UPS) * U.S. Air Force * Vector Marketing * Vestal Central School District * Verizon Wireless * WBNG-TV * Wilson Dental * Willow Point Nursing Home * Willow Run Foods

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



March 31 Common Hour event to discuss toxins

March 29, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join us from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Thursday, March 31, in Titchener Room 204 for a Common Hour discussion of "Living a Toxic Free Life."

Sean and Tylene Loomer, the founders and owners of One Bode and Go Beyond Natural, will discuss toxins in and around our homes and classrooms.

living a toxic free life

Updates: Job Placement and Applied Learning

March 29, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Colleagues,

I would like to announce some updates in the area of Job Placement and Applied Learning.

We are pleased to welcome Elizabeth (Ellie) Rivera, as an Academic Advisor under the Perkins Grant. Ellie will focus on resume writing, job readiness skills, and technology that can support students, alumni and employers so that they may better connect. Ellie holds the following degrees: Master of Fine Arts in Directing and a Master of Science in Education. Ellie has worked in career and professional development since 2010. She has worked with inner-city college students on job placement and in the hospitality industry with HR managers in web-based platforms, job postings, and writing for industry-related blogs. Please contact Ellie, if you have students or classes who might benefit from meeting with her: tcc@sunybroome.edu or 778-5304.

We would also like to welcome Gina Chase, as the temporary, part-time Director of Placement Services during the interim. The job description for this area is under revision. Once it is approved by the Board of Trustees and SUNY Central, we will conduct a search to fill this position. Some may have met Gina, as she has worked with the Fast Forward and Early College programs. Gina holds a Master of Science Degree in Student Administration. She has held several positions in Career Development, Experiential Learning and Student Life at Binghamton University and SUNY Oswego. If you have an employer who needs assistance with a job or internship posting, questions about the Job Fair (4/7/16, 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m., Ice Center), or other Job Placement activities, please contact Gina:placement@sunybroome.edu or 778-5207.

Please join me in welcoming and supporting Ellie and Gina in these roles. We hope to continue to build strong relationships with students and community partners to provide valuable opportunities.

Thank you,

Francis L. Battisti, Ph.D.

Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer

SUNY Distinguished Service Professor

SUNY Broome Community College

Get ready for the Job Fair with these campus workshops **updated**

March 29, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Are you ready for the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Job Fair on April 7?

Get ready to make your best pitch to employers — nearly 90 have registered for this year's event — with a series of workshops and résumé review sessions! Students also will receive 10 copies of their résumé on bond paper in preparation for the fair while supplies last.

The workshop schedule is as follows:

- 2 to 4:30 p.m. March 31 in Library Room 110: résumé review
- 1 to 3 p.m. April 1 in Titchener 107: résumé review and workshop
- 11 a.m. to noon April 5 in Library 110: résumé review
- 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. April 5 in the Student Village: résumé review and workshop
- 11 a.m. to noon April 6 in Science Building Room 105: résumé review and workshop

Complimentary résumé printing is available as follows:

- 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. March 29 in AT 101
- 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. March 30 in AT 101
- 2 to 4:30 p.m. March 31 in Library 110
- 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. March 31 in AT 101
- 8:30 a.m. to noon April 1 in AT 101
- 3 to 4:30 p.m. April 1 in Library 110
- 9 a.m. to noon April 4 in Library 110
- 1 to 3 p.m. April 5 in Library 110
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. APril 7 in the Ice Center

Need assistance drafting your résumé? Email tcc@sunybroome.edu.

The Monday Poem: 'The Philosopher' by James Laughlin

March 28, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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

The Philosopher

by James Laughlin

Well here's a salute to that clean old man who's

out every day fishing up coins with a string and

a bit of gum through the subway gratings on Broadway he says that he averages five dollars a week

and he says that's enough for a man who don't drink.



Affordable Care Act Compliance 2015

March 28, 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.

Affordable Care Act Compliance 2015 Update: (March 28, 2016)

**To all employees: Please note that the 1095-C forms were mailed to your home address on Friday, March 25, 2016. Please be sure to place this form with your 2015 tax return.

Thank you,

Lynn M. Fedorchak

Human Resources Officer SUNY Broome Community College

Please Support the BC Center with a Basket Raffle Fundraiser

March 28, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

This year, as we celebrate the <u>36th annual SUNY Broome Children's Fair</u>, the Early Childhood Education Department is sponsoring a basket raffle to raise funds for the BC Center.

If you or your area would like to contribute a basket, please contact Lisa Strahley at strahleyla@sunybroome.edu or ext. 5029 by March 28.

Baskets will be collected on March 31. The campus community can buy chances on April 1. The drawing will be on April 2.

The <u>BC Center</u> is a non-profit whose mission is to provide SUNY Broome student-parents with high quality, low cost care.



Student-Choice Spring Showcase to feature original piece about Rosa Parks

March 28, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized

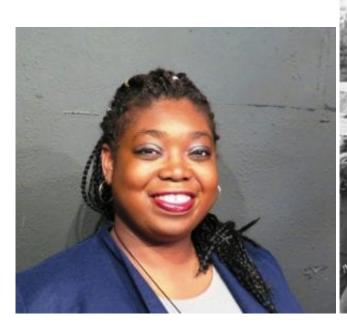


SUNY Broome's Student-Choice Spring Showcase will feature an original piece, "Thank You Rosa: A Short Dramatization," about Rosa Parks. Pictured below are the real Rosa Parks and April Horton, the acting student portraying her.

Performances will start at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 14, and Friday, April 15, in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theater, located in the Student Center.

In partnership with the SUNY Broome Women's Institute, the Thursday evening performance will feature a Q&A Talkback about Rosa Parks and the events surrounding her historic action led by Professor Margherita Rossi, with the director Katherine Bacon and cast present.

The Showcase will feature a sampling of short scenes that the acting students chose themselves from an array of great dramatic literature. You will see scenes from plays by Tennessee Williams, Tony Kushner, Samuel Beckett and our own Jan Quackenbush. Join us!





Upcoming Professional Development Events

March 28, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

3D (Dine, Discuss Diversity) Series

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

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 30, 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

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

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

Google Boot Camp: Google Drive

Learn how to use Google Drive to create, edit, and share documents & presentations. Everyone at SUNY Broome has access to Google Drive's free file creation and storage.

When: Thursday, March 31, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 11:50 am

Where: NSC 107 Lab (only 2 seats available)

Presenter: Paul Cartie

Register: Register Here

Blackboard Advanced: Ensemble

Ensemble Video is a powerful online video platform that can be used to enhance teaching and learning in online, blended and web-supplemented courses at SUNY Broome. Participants in this workshop will be given a private video library area to work in and will be shown how to upload video, create playlists and share their content through Blackboard and email.

When: Friday, April 1, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm **Where:** NSC 107 Lab

Presenter: Carine Surdey & Catagay Dogan

Register: Register Here

All About Web Time Entry

Join the Payroll Department and find out everything you wanted to know about Web Time Entry but were afraid to ask. We'll go over the basics and the not so basics. We'll share tips and tricks to make web time entry a piece of cake!

When: Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Peggy Holmes & Angie Bergholtz

Register: Register Here

OR

When: Thursday, April 7, 2016

Time: 9:00 am – 10:00 am

Where: NSC 107 Lab

Presenter: Peggy Holmes & Angie Bergholtz

Register: Register Here

Promotion and Appointment Basics

Review the basics and essentials of the Promotion & Appointment process at SUNY Broome. Newly hired, full-time employees working under the FA contract at SUNY Broome enter an Appointment process, the goal of which is to earn Continuing Appointment. In addition, these faculty members may apply for promotion or Professional Development Recognition Increment as stipulated by the Contract.

When: Friday, April 8, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Suzanne Shepard

Register: Register Here

Convocation Day is April 12 **updated**

March 28, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

CONVOCATION DAY 2016

SUNY Broome's annual Convocation Day on Tuesday, April 12, will bring together the campus community to discuss the continued prevalence of racism in our country.

Professor Sut Jhally is a scholar whose work focuses on cultural studies, advertising, media and representations of race and gender. He is the producer of more than 40 documentaries on media literacy topics and the founder and executive director of the Media Education Foundation. His documentaries have analyzed sexual imagery in music videos, and his foundation has produced documentaries that analyze tough guys in rap videos and mobster movies. One of his most famous video productions is "Advertising and the End of the World," which links advertising and the habits of a consumerist society to the global environmental crises. He is also well-known for his series of documentary films on "Dreamworlds: Desire, Sex and Power in Music Video."

Dr. Jhally will give his keynote address, "Why America Can't Think Straight about Race," from 10 to 10:50 a.m. in the Baldwin Gymnasium. A discussion with Dr. Jhally will follow from 11 to 11:50 p.m. in the Baldwin Gym. The documentary "White Like Me: Race, Racism & White Privilege in America" will be screened at 2:30 p.m. in Titchener 102.

The Convocation Day Committee, with the help of several amazing SUNY Broome faculty, staff and members of Student Assembly and Phi Theta Kappa, also have put together a full day of activities including afternoon workshops, student poster sessions and many opportunities for students to win prizes.

Afternoon events run from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. They include:

- "Human Trafficking" by faculty presenters Diane O'Heron and Kristin Bensen-Hause in Titchener 102
- "Laughing Away Racism" by faculty presenter Phyllis Amenda in Titchener 101
- "'Detour Spotting:' Promoting Behaviors that Advance Justice" by faculty presenters Vanessa Rodriguez and Scott Corley in Decker 201
- "Eugenics in America: Our War Against the 'Unfit'" by faculty presenter Rick Firenze in Natural Science Center 201
- "Talking about Race Through Literature" by faculty presenter Chris Origer in Titchener 106
- "Know Your Rights at Work" by faculty presenter Gian Roma in Business 210

Raffles will be held during the afternoon events for SUNY Broome gear, gift cards and other prizes.

Additional afternoon events include a Student Musician and Convocation Day Cookout by SUNY Broome's Hospitality Club in the Student Center patio; food will be available for purchase. The Natural Science Center Student Research Poster Presentation Symposium will run from 12 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the AT Atrium. Students from Biology, Chemistry, and Physical Sciences will present posters of their work in these fields.

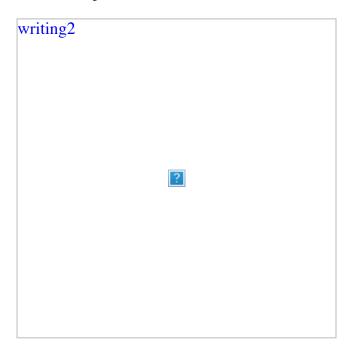


March 31 Common Hour: 'V' Map your way to a better paper

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join Professor Bill Altman, an expert in education psychology, at 11 a.m. March 31 in T-102 for an introduction to 'V' mapping. Learn how to organize your paper writing in a graphic way. This session is based on a presentation Dr. Altman did at a national conference on excellence in teaching.



Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Advisement Days

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

It's that time again: Advisement and Registration Days for Criminal Justice & Emergency Services.

Appointments are available from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31; Thursday, April 7; and Wednesday, April 13.

Stop by Business Building Room 104 to schedule your appointment.



Comedian Mickey Housely to perform April 1

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Need an April Fool's laugh? Comedian Mickey Housely will be performing in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theater from 7 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 1.

Mickey's show can be summed up as animated, witty, and full of self-deprecation fueled by a childhood of peer depreciation. Mickey was teased so much that he got good at teasing himself, too. Thinking, "Hey, if someone has to talk about me – why not me?"



Speakers of the House and The Writing Center present 'The Write Stuff'

March 27, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



Speakers of the House invites you to 'The Write Stuff' on Friday, April 1, 2016.

Students from SUNY Broome's Writing Center will be presenting speeches they have written. Please join us at 3:10 p.m. in Darwin R. Wales Center Room 203B for this special event showcasing our student speakers and the Writing Center.



Diversity Discussion: 'Finding Common Ground' on March 31

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Learn about diversity in a talk on "Finding Common Ground" by Dr. Major Barnett, at 4 p.m. March 31 in Science Building Room 105. Hornets are a diverse bunch, and this is sure to be an interesting discussion led by one of the college's instructors.

There will be a short movie on the Blue Eye Brown Eye experiment and discussion following. Bring your opinions!



Delegate sought for NYS Teachers Retirement System

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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/



Green thumb? Spend your Mondays in the garden

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The Garden Club invites you to work in the Campus Garden on Mondays from 1 to 2 p.m. We'll be working any Monday that school is in session, starting March 28. We will cancel if it's raining.

Dress to get dirty; tools and gloves will be provided. You may want to bring a water bottle. We'll try to have refreshments most days.



36th annual Children's Fair returns to campus April 2

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Department and the Binghamton Association for the Education of Young Children (BAEYC) will hold the 36th annual SUNY Broome/BAEYC Children's Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 2, in SUNY Broome's Student Center.

This year's theme is *Early Years are Learning Years*. April is recognized as the Month of the Young Child, which brings attention to the needs of young children and their families.

This interactive, fun-filled family event features developmentally appropriate, hands-on activities created by SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Education students. Big trucks, police cars, snowplows, fire trucks and Chenango Gymnastics will be on hand for the children to interact with as well. The event also will include child safety seat inspections, the Child-Safe Program and community exhibits, as well as entertainment by Johnny Only.

Nutritious and low-cost lunches and snacks will also be available. The event also will include basket raffles and the Scholastic BOGO Book Fair to support the Broome Educators of Children Association (BECA) club's community and professional development initiatives

The cost of the event is \$3 per child. Adults attend free with a donation to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse. There is a \$10 maximum cost per family.

For more information about this event or other upcoming BAEYC events, contact Christine Webb, BAEYC President and Children's Fair Chairperson, at (607) 778-5160, webbca@sunybroome.edu or www.Binghamton-aeyc.org



Title IX Training for Employees

March 27, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Two Title IX First Responder trainings are scheduled for this semester:

- 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, in Decker 201
- 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday, April 26, in Wales 203-B

Faculty and staff who have not attended a previous Title IX training are strongly encouraged to attend. Registration is not required and a sign-in sheet will be used to take attendance. A question and answer session will follow the training.

Rising Star: Stella Safari spends an amazing year at SUNY Broome

March 25, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Stella Safari had hoped to head out of town for college, but her parents convinced her to stay.

SUNY Broome was a good choice, they said – highly affordable with a top-notch academic program. She listened – and she's glad she did.

A top student at Johnson City High School, she qualified for both the <u>Presidential Honors Scholarship</u> – which gave her a free ride – and the <u>AA1 program</u>. Designed for academically gifted and highly motivated students, the program allows them to earn their Associate in Arts degree in a single year and ultimately transfer to top-flight schools.

"Instead of doing two years here, I'm doing one year and trying it out, and then transferring. I felt this is a smart choice," Safari said.

<u>The AA1 Program</u> kicked off only <u>two years ago</u>. Classes are small and academically challenging, giving students the opportunity to bond with one another while working on research projects.

Last semester, the group worked on a <u>30-minute documentary</u> on Lyme Disease, which has become endemic to Broome County. While Safari wasn't initially interested in the topic, the research opened her eyes. While some AA1 students had a knack for video production and editing, Safari conducted many of the interviews with students, doctors and researchers.

"It was a good thing, getting us all together. There are seven people in the program and we all have different strengths. Who knew that we could actually do that?" she reflected on the documentary, which is now available online.

Watch the video here:

In the Lyme Light | A SUNY Broome Student Documentary

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



This semester, research centers on the group's social problems and research methods class. Class members will break up into groups and create a research proposal, part of which may involve issuing a survey to students. Safari's group is exploring college students' attitudes toward white privilege, a timely topic thanks to the rise of the #BlackLivesMatter movement.

In some senses, the AA1 program creates a school within a school, with close ties between fellow students. They often hang out together after class, sharing interests that go beyond their research.

Still, they are a diverse bunch. Several are local high school graduates; two were homeschooled. There are also students from Long Island, Staten Island and even Texas.

"It's pretty diverse," Safari reflected.



Making a difference

In high school, Stella Safari was a go-getter, involved with everything from the lacrosse team to church and multiple fundraisers. She's followed that trend at SUNY Broome, where she plays lacrosse, volunteers and participates in many clubs, in addition to holding a job off campus.

While she grew up in Broome County, her story starts more than 7,000 miles away in Rwanda, the country of her birth.

When she was not quite five years old, her parents won the "green card lottery" and were accepted for immigration into the United States, along with their daughters. They had a lot to give up – not only their friends and family back home, but their professional success. In Rwanda, Stella's father worked as a professor and a businessman, and her mother as a doctor. Now, her father is a postal worker and her mother a nurse at a local hospital.

"My parents made humongous sacrifices for me to be where I am. I'm trying to make a positive impact," Stella said.

She has never returned to Rwanda, although both of her parents have visited, and has lost the language. Still, her home country grounds her sense of mission. While her family lived in a wealthy home, just 15 minutes away people were living in intense poverty. Some didn't even own shoes.

After she graduates from AA1, she is looking to transfer to a four-year school; the University at Buffalo, Stony Brook University and Cornell University are all on her radar. Her goal: to make a difference in the lives of the next generation.

"I plan to do my bachelor's in business administration and then a master's. I'd like to create a nonprofit to help kids in poverty," she explained. "Being born in Africa, I see the need. A lot of people don't have the opportunity to get a good education, especially in Africa."



Spreading the word

In the meantime, Stella Safari is enjoying her time at SUNY Broome – the many activities she partakes in, the company of her classmates and the chance to be a role model. While the coursework can be challenging, professors in the AA1 program are highly supportive, both pushing students to do their best and encouraging them to take advantage of what campus life has to offer, Safari said.

She has also tried to spread the word about the AA1 program and what it offers. Her two teenaged sisters are interested, and Safari has also dropped off brochures at her former high school. She's talked it up to anyone who seems to have an interest.

Why? Because it's a good deal and a great experience.

"It's an amazing place. Broome surpassed my expectations," she said. "I just wish I could spend more time here. It's an amazing place."

Hunger Banquet to be held April 19

March 25, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



A Hunger Banquet will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 19, in Decker 201.

There is no admission cost, although canned food donations will be accepted for the food pantry. For tickets, contact Melissa Martin at martinmm2@sunybroome.edu. Seating is limited.



hungerbanquet ad final

Hockey 4 Hope to be held April 2

March 25, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The Constance Foundation is proud to announce the seventh annual charity Hockey 4 Hope game will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 2, 2016, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center. The event is free to the public. Join the Constance Foundation for a great night of hockey, raffles and fun as we raise money for a great cause.

Proceeds will be donated to the Geller Oncology Fund of Lourdes Hospital, Make-A-Wish Central New York and individuals in need in an effort to alleviate the financial burden associated with cancer.

"Each year, we offer 38 spots for players, with all 38 spaces being filled within 3 minutes of opening registration," said Brian Laing, President and founder of the Constance Foundation. "We have players from all over including Cali, Florida, SC, PA, and include talents from retired professionals to college players to weekend warriors. We average about 800 in attendance and have raised \$26K consecutively for the past three years."

In addition to Hockey 4 Hope on April 2, join the Constance Foundation to paint the ice with messages of hope, love, memories and encouragement. Ice painting takes place from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 1, 2016, for a \$5 donation.

For more information, visit <u>www.hockey4hope.com</u> or <u>www.constancefoundation.org</u>. For media information, please contact Jacki Gerchman at jgerchman@constancefoundation.org

Hockey 4 Hope is owned and operated by the Constance Foundation, a 501c3. All donations are tax deductible.







Professor Byrnes receives Continued Excellence Award as PTK Advisor

March 25, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome Professor Irene Byrnes has received the 2016 Continued Excellence Award from Phi Theta Kappa for her role as advisor.

Professor Byrnes is among 15 advisors from around the nation who will be honored with the award, which will be presented by the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society during <u>NerdNation 2016</u>, the annual convention in National Harbor, Maryland, from April 7 to 9. Recipients will receive commemorative medallions and be honored during the Association of Chapter Advisors Luncheon and the Second General Session.

The Continued Excellence Award for Advisors recognizes advisors who have served at least four years and have previously won a Distinguished Advisor Award. Award-winning advisors have made significant contributions to the growth of the individual chapter members, served as the chapter's advocate on campus, and encouraged the chapter to be involved on the local, regional and/or international level of the organization. Advisors were nominated by their chapters through the Hallmark Awards application process. They were selected by a panel of judges from 38 nominees worldwide.

Phi Theta Kappa is the oldest, largest and most prestigious honor society recognizing students pursuing two-year degrees. Phi Theta Kappa is made up of more than 3 million members and nearly 1,300 chapters in nine nations.



2016 SUNY Broome Spirit Award: Nominations due April 8

March 24, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

For times when "thank you" just isn't enough — when a campus individual goes above and beyond the call of duty —there's the SUNY Broome Spirit Award!

Excellence and commitment are all around us. Let's recognize the exemplary commitment and contributions of our colleagues who embody the spirit of SUNY Broome. The SUNY Broome Spirit Award recognizes valued campus members — colleagues who are on the job day in and day out, contributing that extra effort that helps make SUNY Broome an outstanding institution.

This award recognizes a campus member for service and dedication "above and beyond," or for unique contributions to SUNY Broome Community College. Celebrate our past winners of the award and think of those that should be added to the list:

- 2011 Marty Guzzi
- 2012 Sharon Eldridge
- 2013 Donna Rehak
- 2014 Michelle Perricone
- 2015 Mike Carra

Nominations are due to Donna Rehak, Mail Stop #66 by Friday April 8, 2016.

Please use the attached form to submit your nomination.

Spirit Award Nominating Form 2016

Degree Works to go live by the end of March

March 23, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

<u>Degree Works</u> Academic Audits will be going live by the end of March and will replace the current CAPP degree evaluations. A quick launch icon will be created for everyone to obtain access through MyCollege.

Stay tuned for more information about this exciting web-based tool, which allows students and advisors to review and monitor student progress toward degree completion.



Learn about mental health with Stories of the Mind on April 7

March 23, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



Look at mental health in a whole new way with Stories of the Mind, a short film program at 7 p.m. April 7 in Binghamton University's Mandela Room.

Hosted by the Binghamton University Counseling Center and Health Education Services, the event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact LeAnna Rice at lrice@binghamtom.edu.



SUNY Broome Faculty Art Exhibit runs through March 29

March 22, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



It's not too late to enjoy the talents of SUNY Broome's talented faculty!

The SUNY Faculty Art Exhibit will run through March 29 at the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, located on the first floor of the Library. The exhibit features a select collection of inspired artwork from the SUNY Broome Liberal Arts faculty.

Enjoy these photos from a March 17 reception:

















Dining Hall, cafe hours during Spring Break **updated**

March 22, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Updated Tuesday: The Dining Hall will be closed for the remainder of Spring Break week, which runs through March 25.

The Blueline café will still be open from 12 to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday during break, while the Titchener coffee shop will be closed all week.



St. John Fisher College and SUNY Broome Announce 2+2 Partnership Agreement

March 22, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

St. John Fisher College and SUNY Broome have announced a 2+2 partnership agreement, ensuring a seamless transition for SUNY Broome students looking to complete their baccalaureate degree.

The program will require students enrolled at SUNY Broome to complete two years of prescribed coursework for an associate's degree and then continue their coursework at Fisher, where they can earn a bachelor's degree from most programs in just two years. Other benefits of the program include specialized student advisement and registration opportunities. Students who enroll in the program receive guaranteed acceptance to Fisher as long as all academic requirements are fulfilled.

"We are pleased to add SUNY Broome to our list of academic alliance partners. Our goal with the growing number of alliance partners that we have is to provide transfer students with a seamless transition to Fisher as well as a transformative educational experience once they arrive on our campus," said Dr. Gerard Rooney, president, St. John Fisher College.

With the addition of SUNY Broome, Fisher now has 2+2 agreements with a total of 10 schools, including Corning Community College, Erie Community College, Finger Lakes Community College, Genesee Community College, Herkimer College, Hudson Valley Community College, Mohawk Valley Community College, Monroe Community College, and Onondaga Community College.

"This agreement opens up new opportunities for our students, many of whom go on to pursue their bachelor's degrees," said SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm. "Academics at SUNY Broome are rigorous, and our students are very well-prepared to succeed at their transfer institutions. This partnership will help our students achieve their academic goals, and make the transfer process that much easier."

Articulation agreements allow students to transfer all of their credits to a designated program at a four-year school, allowing for seamless transfers. SUNY Broome currently has such agreements in a wide range of programs with nearly 30 different colleges and universities.

For more information about St. John Fisher College, visit <u>www.sjfc.edu</u>. For more information about SUNY Broome, visit <u>www.sunybroome.edu</u>.



Business Information Management: Amp up your career with an online degree

March 21, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



Looking to level up your skills to land a better job? SUNY Broome's <u>Business Information Management</u> (<u>BIM</u>) degree program will allow you to do just that – without setting a foot on campus.

New this year, you can earn your <u>Associate in Applied Science degree</u> in Business Information Management completely online via Open SUNY. Our traditional degree program is also available for those who prefer to learn on campus.

"We offer a flexible class schedule – nights, days – and four different degree tracks that offer a lot of flexibility to students," explained Professor Mark Ryan, chair of Business Information Technologies in SUNY Broome's Division of Business and Public Services. "It's set up for what the student wants and needs."

Four BIM tracks are available, both in the online and traditional tracks.

- Business Information Management: General allows students to couple credits in any field with five BIT courses, allowing them to update their technology skills and earn a degree quickly. It's a great option for visual and performing artists who want to market their talent online, as well as teachers at all levels who want to enhance their instructional technology skills with the use of smartboards, tablets, apps and multimedia tools.
- Business Information Management: Office Technology allows students to combine core office technology skills with business or additional computing skills. It prepares students for careers as administrative assistants, secretaries, computer application specialists or program coordinators, or for

- civil service office positions.
- Business Information Management: Desktop Publishing combines art classes with the technology needed to create print, web and social media solutions. It addresses a skill set that's increasingly important in marketing, public relations, entrepreneurship and management.
- Business Information Management: Website Development and Management combines visual design, marketing savvy and technology skills, enabling students to create attractive and functional websites. Students also will learn to create mobile apps for tablets, smartphones or desktop systems.

While the degree attracts students of many backgrounds, a good percentage of students are older and already in the job market, seeking to pick up skills and move to the next level in their careers, Professor Ryan noted. But even if they are new to the business field, the degree will give them a strong start.

"It's set up in such a way that people can get a job right after graduation," he said. "You'll learn the technical skills you need to go out into the job market."

Click here for more information on our <u>Business Information Management degree program</u>, or visit <u>www.sunybroome.edu/apply</u> to apply now.



April 7 entrepreneurship talk with LUMA, BingPop's Joshua Bernard

March 21, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



Join us at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 7, in Business Building Room 205 for Innovation+Entrepreneurship+Creativity, a discussion by Joshua Bernard, creative director of BingPop and director of operations for LUMA.

Joshua Bernard has led the way in community engagement in the Greater Binghamton area over the past few years. Learn his strategies and business model for evaluating opportunities and implementing dynamic projects, and the art of building relationships while focusing on economic development and profitability.



April 14: Learn how to make a living selling your art online

March 21, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Interesting in learning how to make a living selling your artwork online? Join us at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 14, in Business Building Room 205 for a talk by photographer Christina Rollo.

There are many opportunities to sell work on the internet; but which ones provide the greatest return on your investment? When do you need to change your business strategy? How do you find and evaluate opportunities? Rollo will address these questions and more.



Your Bachelor's Degree is Closer Than You Think!

March 21, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Finishing your Associate's degree? Want to take more classes at <u>SUNY Broome</u> that will transfer to your <u>Bachelor's degree</u> and then complete your degree online through <u>Excelsior College</u>?

Stop by our outreach tables to pickup materials, talk about your options and see if this transfer path is right for you!

- 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, on the first floor of Titchener
- 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, April 6, in Titchener and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Business Building near the lounge
- 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, April 7, on the first floor of Decker



Guests welcome: Two entrepreneurs to speak at SUNY Broome

March 21, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized

Interested in entrepreneurship? Check out these two upcoming talks in SUNY Broome's entrepreneurship class. Guests are welcome!

• Innovation+Entrepreneurship+Creativity

presented by Joshua Bernard, MBA, Creative Director of BingPop & Director of Operations for LUMA

4 p.m. Thursday, April 7

Business Building Room 205

• Making a Living Selling Your Artwork Online

4 p.m. Thursday, April 14

Business Building Room 205

Presented by:

Christina Rollo

<u>Photographer</u> · **<u>Artistic Services</u>** · **<u>Home Decor</u>**

www.rollosphotos.com

More information:

<u>April Entrepreneur – flier</u>

Save the date: Middle States PRR meeting on April 5

March 20, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

There will be a Middle States Periodic Review Report (PRR) town hall meeting on April 5, 2016, to present and discuss the final report to be submitted to Middle States on June 1, 2016. Please come and have your voice heard. Information about the venue and time are below:

Venue: Titchener Room 102

Time: 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Monday Poem: 'Men After Work' by Dana Gioia

March 20, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Men After Work

by Dana Gioia

Done with work, they are sitting by themselves

in coffeeshops or diners, taking up the booths, filling every other seat along the counter, waiting for the menu, for the water, for the girl to come and take their order, always on the edge of words, almost without appetite, knowing there is nothing on the menu that they want, waiting patiently to ask for one more refill of their coffee, surprised that even its bitterness will not wake them up. Still they savor it, holding each sip lukewarm in their mouths, this last taste of evening. Notes from poets:

• "I think all writing is a disease. You can't stop it." —William Carlos Williams



One week left to send your submissions to Breaking Ground

March 18, 2016

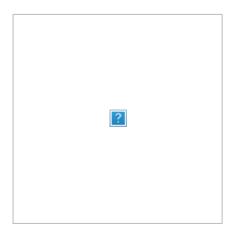
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Breaking Ground: The SUNY Broome Literary Magazine wants your best art, photography, poetry, short stories and creative non-fiction.

Don't miss out! The deadline for submissions is Monday, March 28, 2016

Go to:

www.sunybroome.edu/breakingground



Heating work in Student Center, Decker

March 18, 2016

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There will be major heating repairs in the Student Center hallway by the Dance Studio, and the Decker third floor hallway by Room 318.

Work will start Saturday and continue through next week. Please be careful in those areas.

Do you know a student who would make a good RA?

March 18, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Contact Residence Director, Jarvis McCowin, for more information! Application deadline is Friday, April 8, 11:59pm

The Student Village will be accepting applications for the Resident Assistant (RA) position until Friday, April 8, at 11:59 p.m. If you know of a student who you believe will be a great fit, feel free to nominate them here: http://goo.gl/forms/M08YRYDxnP.

The RA application can be found here: http://goo.gl/forms/sYooSTJND1

Feel free to contact a current RA, or Jarvis McCowin (Residence Director), for more information.

resident assistant job description



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Title IX Training for Employees

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Two Title IX First Responder trainings are scheduled for this semester:

- 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, in Decker 201
- 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday, April 26, in Wales 203-B

Faculty and staff who have not attended a previous Title IX training are strongly encouraged to attend. Registration is not required and a sign-in sheet will be used to take attendance. A question and answer session will follow the training.

Using Financial Aid for Summer Term? Here's what you need to know.

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Plan ahead and save for summer classes. Find out if you qualify for a loan that would include funds for summer classes.

Check with Financial Aid to see if you are eligible for summer funding. They are the experts and can give you the best advice!

There are several categories of Summer Financial Aid:

- Pell Grants
- Student Loans
- Work-study
- TAP

Talk to the financial aid office soon to see what you qualify for!

You can reach Financial Aid at (607) 778-5028 or finaid@sunybroome.edu.

SUNY Broome Next 5 Year Strategic Plan, 2016-2021

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Dear Colleagues,

We are in the process of commencing our next 5-year strategic plan. Our 2010 to 2015 strategic plan is now expired.

The planning process is commencing this spring semester and will conclude next summer 2017. This critical endeavor—so important for our future—will be co-chaired by Drs. Adanu and McGuinness. For those who might not be aware, Dr. Sesime Adanu is our Institutional Effectiveness Officer and Dean, and Dr. Meghan McGuinness is a professor in Dental Hygiene.

Under Meghan and Sesime's leadership and with your input, a steering committee will be assembled which will be comprised of faculty, staff, administrators, students, a member of the Board of Trustees, and representatives from the community. This body will deliberate and lay out the process to get our new strategic plan developed.

For spring 2016, the committee will start with a review of the mission, vision and value statements of the college. Work on the strategic plan goals and objectives will be done from now until spring 2017. The plan will be finalized during spring 2017, reviewed and approved by the shared governance bodies and trustees, then made available in summer 2017.

I look forward to the participation of our entire campus in this process which will determine our primary course for the next five years of the college's development.

Thank you for your continuous support in both educating our students and moving the college forward. Kevin E Drumm, PhD

President

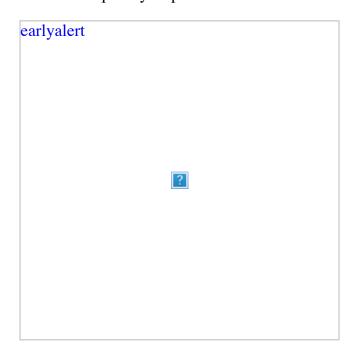
SUNY Broome Community College

Digital sign system currently undergoing repairs

March 17, 2016

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The digital signs on campus are currently undergoing repairs due to an equipment failure. While the issue is being addressed, you may see digital signs that are blank or outdated. We are working to get the signs restored as quickly as possible.



Get smarter about your finances with this March 23 workshop

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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

"Identify Strategies to Help you Plan for Taxes" will take place in two sessions: at noon and at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23.

Click the below flyer for information on how to reserve your spot, the call-in number and more:

SUNY Webinar Invitation March 23 2016 FINAL

Upcoming Board of Trustees meetings

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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

- March 29, 2016 (Tuesday) Monthly meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee, 8:00 a.m., Wales Administration Center Conference Room 107.
- March 31, 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.

2016 SUNY Broome Spirit Award: Nominations due April 8

March 17, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

For times when "thank you" just isn't enough — when a campus individual goes above and beyond the call of duty —there's the SUNY Broome Spirit Award!

Excellence and commitment are all around us. Let's recognize the exemplary commitment and contributions of our colleagues who embody the spirit of SUNY Broome. The SUNY Broome Spirit Award recognizes valued campus members — colleagues who are on the job day in and day out, contributing that extra effort that helps make SUNY Broome an outstanding institution.

This award recognizes a campus member for service and dedication "above and beyond," or for unique contributions to SUNY Broome Community College. Celebrate our past winners of the award and think of those that should be added to the list:

- 2011 Marty Guzzi
- 2012 Sharon Eldridge
- 2013 Donna Rehak
- 2014 Michelle Perricone
- 2015 Mike Carra

Nominations are due to Donna Rehak, Mail Stop #66 by Friday April 8, 2016.

Please use the attached form to submit your nomination.

Spirit Award Nominating Form 2016

Save the date: Middle States PRR meeting on April 5

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

There will be a Middle States Periodic Review Report (PRR) town hall meeting on April 5, 2016, to present and discuss the final report to be submitted to Middle States on June 1, 2016. Please come and have your voice heard. Information about the venue and time are below:

Venue: Titchener Room 102

Time: 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

36th annual Children's Fair returns to campus April 2

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Department and the Binghamton Association for the Education of Young Children (BAEYC) will hold the 36th annual SUNY Broome/BAEYC Children's Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 2, in SUNY Broome's Student Center.

This year's theme is *Early Years are Learning Years*. April is recognized as the Month of the Young Child, which brings attention to the needs of young children and their families.

This interactive, fun-filled family event features developmentally appropriate, hands-on activities created by SUNY Broome Teacher Education/Early Childhood Education students. Big trucks, police cars, snowplows, fire trucks and Chenango Gymnastics will be on hand for the children to interact with as well. The event also will include child safety seat inspections, the Child-Safe Program and community exhibits, as well as entertainment by Johnny Only.

Nutritious and low-cost lunches and snacks will also be available. The event also will include basket raffles and the Scholastic BOGO Book Fair to support the Broome Educators of Children Association (BECA) club's community and professional development initiatives

The cost of the event is \$3 per child. Adults attend free with a donation to the Community Hunger Outreach Warehouse. There is a \$10 maximum cost per family.

For more information about this event or other upcoming BAEYC events, contact Christine Webb, BAEYC President and Children's Fair Chairperson, at (607) 778-5160, webbca@sunybroome.edu or www.Binghamton-aeyc.org



Yum: Pizza and Bake Sale fundraiser for BECA

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Support the Broome Educators of Children Association (BECA) with your taste buds at a Pizza and Bake Sale fundraiser, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, April 4, and Tuesday, April 5, in the Titchener lobby.

The fundraiser supports BECA's community outreach and professional development initiatives.



Campus Shop closed during Spring Break

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Please note: The Campus Shop will be closed during Spring Break, which runs from March 21 through 25.



Marketplace: Need ink cartridges?

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Mary Gilbert in Financial Aid is offering free ink cartridges for computer printers. Contact her at gilbertma@sunybroome.edu if you'd like them.



Financial Aid labs every Thursday during Common Hour

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Financial Aid will be holding an open lab every Thursday during Common Hour (11 a.m to noon) through the end of the spring semester in AT 014.

Students can come in and have all their Financial Aid questions answered. They will be able to create an FSA ID, submit FAFSAs for the next year, have verification questions answered and find out about financial aid awards for spring, summer and beyond.



Green thumb? Spend your Mondays in the garden

March 17, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The Garden Club invites you to work in the Campus Garden on Mondays from 1 to 2 p.m. We'll be working any Monday that school is in session, starting March 28. We will cancel if it's raining.

Dress to get dirty; tools and gloves will be provided. You may want to bring a water bottle. We'll try to have refreshments most days.



Portal Upgrade Notice

March 16, 2016

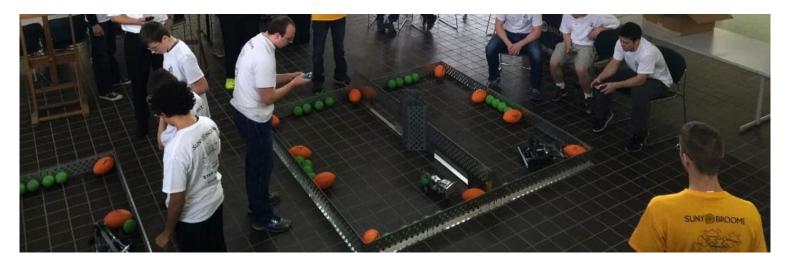
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The MyCollege Portal (<u>mycollege.sunybroome.edu</u>) will be unavailable from 12 to 6 a.m. Monday, March 21, for a system upgrade. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Celebrate STEM: Young engineers show their skills at Robotics Competition

March 16, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



A group of fez-wearing Sidney Elementary School students clustered near a square in SUNY Broome's Applied Technologies atrium. Controller in hand, one student directed his robot to move green balls and orange footballs from one side of the enclosure to another, under a judge's watchful gaze.

Meanwhile, high school students were silently watching the progress of a tony robot through a maze. After it bumped into the walls, each contestant scooped their unit up and returned to the drawing board – a laptop computer, where they programmed the device to navigate the labyrinth.

The region's budding engineers eagerly tackled Swept-Away and the Maze Programming Challenge, among the five complex tasks in the Southern Tier Robotics Competition on March 16. The event, co-sponsored by the Eastern Southern Tier STEM Hub and SUNY Broome, drew 148 students from Broome-Tioga BOCES' New Visions engineering program; BOCES' Evertech Academy; Chenango Forks High School; Chenango Valley High School; Greene High School; Harpursville High School; Maine-Endwell High School; Owego Free Academy; Seton Catholic Central High School; Sidney Elementary School; Sidney Junior High School; and Sidney Elementary School, Junior High School and High School.

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

Winning teams earn bragging rights – and the chance to keep the competition's revolving trophy for the year, according to SUNY Broome Professor Robert Lofthouse, the event organizer.

"This is the seventh year and it's grown each year," he told visitors to the competition.

Students had to build their own robots for the challenges, a process that often takes a few weeks. The greater task, according to Greene High School senior Austin Savage, comes after assembly.

"It takes a lot of programming and debugging, and lots and lots of testing," he explained.

Both he and teammate Grey Reid, a sophomore at the school, are interested in careers and engineers. And

why robots?

"They're just cool," Austin said with a smile.

Seven students from Chenango Forks High School teacher Michael Ramsden's robotics class made it to the competition, their first year participating. Students learned concepts in class that they then used to construct and program a half-dozen robots.

"There's a lot of research that goes into preparing for this event," Ramsden explained.

Chenango Forks senior Dylan Silvanic helped design the robot for the Swept-Away challenge, the one in which the robot needs to move balls through an enclosure. Some of his ideas didn't work out, but he came up with a design that ended up acing the course.

"We've been really working on this for the last couple weeks. It's been a good experience with a lot of trial and error," said Silvanic, who plans to pursue an engineering career.

SUNY Broome students and administration also stopped by the event, watching as participants guided through robots through the challenges.

"This is great stuff, isn't it?" mused Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti.

7th Annual Robotics Competition Results

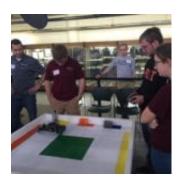










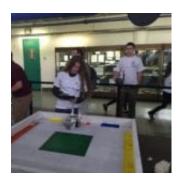


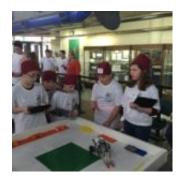














Problem Solver: Erica Epply works toward a career in forensics

March 16, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



Erica Epply has always loved a good mystery.

That's why she has a longstanding interest in forensics, which would give her a chance to solve puzzles made of DNA and unforeseen circumstances.

"It's just always been something I was interested in since I was a teenager. I watched *Unsolved Mysteries*, *CSI*," she explained. "I would love to work for the FBI and do forensics."

Unlike many of the cases in an hour-long television show, real forensics takes knowledge, determination and a good deal of time. And so did the Binghamton resident's own six-year trajectory toward her degree and her chosen career.

After graduating from Windsor High School, Erica joined the Army and headed to boot camp – only to discover that the scoliosis in her back kept her from a military career. Next stop: retail, to pay the bills and support her two children, now ages 12 and 9.

"I didn't come back to college for 10 to 11 years. I didn't want to work retail for the rest of my life," she said. "I've always been interested in criminal justice – solving things, mysteries."

At first, higher education seemed to have a tough learning curve. She made some mistakes – taking too many difficult courses, such as biology and chemistry in one semester, for example – and didn't always know where to turn for help. But she adapted, connecting with her professors – particularly Chemistry Professor Harold Trimm, with whom she did many forensics-related independent studies.

After earning an Associate's degree in science at SUNY Broome, she headed to Binghamton University to major in biochemistry. Still, she had a tough time figuring out precisely what she wanted to do in forensics; she loves the entire field, she noted. After two years at BU, she returned in Fall 2015 to SUNY Broome to major in criminal justice.

Epply, who will graduate in May, said she appreciated the small class sizes at SUNY Broome, and the skill and knowledge of its professors. She also enjoyed the opportunity to do an internship with a detective in the local district attorney's office, where she helped interview subjects and helped create a database of crime lab results.

After graduation, she's planning to stay on at SUNY Broome and earn her bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice through the <u>Excelsior College partnership</u>.

"I love the teachers. They know what they are talking about and they're very helpful," she said of her SUNY Broome experience. "At BU, I had several classes with 400 students. You don't get as much interaction with the teachers."



Erica Epply

Maintenance work during Spring Break

March 16, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The following maintenance projects will be conducted during Spring Break:

- The men's bathroom on the second floor of the Old Science Building will be renovated. **The bathroom will be closed Friday, March 18, and reopen Friday, March 25.**
- Small renovations also will be conducted in the Financial Aid office.

Both projects are expected to be completed by Friday, March 25.

Go Green: Earth Fest returns to campus on April 24

March 16, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Earth Day Southern Tier, SUNY Broome and the Binghamton Zoo at Ross Park will hold Earth Fest from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 24, in the Baldwin Gym, located in SUNY Broome's Student Center.

Earth Fest is one of the longest-running celebrations of Earth Day in the nation and a respected Southern Tier institution. As always, there will be music, food, magic shows, hands-on children's activities, crafts, demonstrations and give-a-ways.

The event also features a River Trails Bike Cruise organized by the Southern Tier Bike Club. The SUNY Broome Ecology Club will be operating a book exchange and clothing recycling drop-off program, and fuel-efficient cars will also be on display.

Past exhibitors have included local companies such as IBM, NYSEG, Toyota, Johnson Camping, Taylor Garbage and Frito Lay; government organizations such as the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the Broome County Division of Solid Waste, the Broome County Environmental Management Council, the Susquehanna River Basin Commission and the Cornell Cooperative Extension; and non-profit organizations including the Animal Care Council, Finch Hollow Nature Center, Sierra Club and Waterman Conservation Education Center.

If you are a vendor and wish to participate, please fill out a registration form available at www.myedst.org.

Your involvement in Earth Fest helps support Earth Day Southern Tier's mission by increasing public education and awareness of environmental concerns and the programs, products and technology available to green the Tier and the planet. Together we can realize a better today and a sustainable, more healthy tomorrow.

Earth Fest draws over 3,000 visitors and each year we widely publicize the event to reach an even greater community. As such, participants can expect exposure to a wide audience, recognition as a green community member and numerous networking possibilities.



We need your help with graduation!

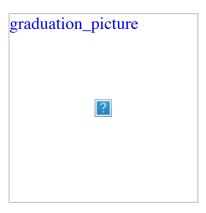
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The Graduation Committee would like to extend an open invitation to all faculty and staff that would like to help with Commencement. This is an incredibly special time in our students' lives and the lives of their families.

We have many different ways to assist. If you are interested, our meetings are bi-weekly on Mondays from 11 a.m. to noon in W203B. The next meeting will be on March 28.

If you are interested, please send an email to Jason Boring at Boringjw@sunybroome.edu.



SUNY Broome's Dr. Bill Altman accepts appointment as consulting editor

March 16, 2016 Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

Dr. Bill Altman of SUNY Broome's Psychology & Human Services Department has accepted an invitation to serve a three-year term as a consulting editor for the American Psychological Association's journal *Teaching of Psychology*.

This is the official journal of the Society of the Teaching of Psychology (Division 2 of the American Psychological Association). As noted on the *Teaching of Psychology* website, coverage in this journal includes:

empirical research on teaching and learning; studies of teacher or student characteristics; subject matter or content reviews for class use; investigations of student, course, or teacher assessment; professional problems of teachers; essays on teaching; innovative course descriptions and evaluations; curriculum designs; bibliographic material; demonstrations and laboratory projects; and news items.

Dr. Altman has served as a reviewer for *Teaching of Psychology* since 2006. In 2010, he co-developed and ran workshops for training successful peer-reviewers with the Editors of *Teaching of Psychology* at the National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology.

Save the Date-Spring 2016 Carnival of Assessment

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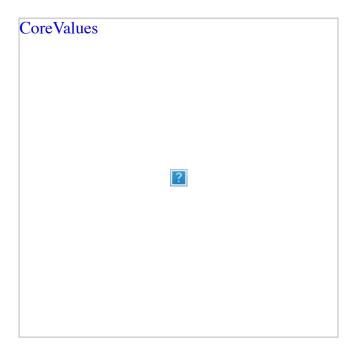
The spring 2016 Carnival of Assessment (Assessment Day) will be held from 9 a.m. to noon May 19, 2016.

Theme: Closing the assessment loop using Student Learning Outcome results.

Venue: Titchener Hall RM 101

Time: 9 a.m. to noon

Events will include presentations from each academic division about the use of student learning outcome assessment results to improve courses taught in subsequent semesters. Light refreshment will be served. Please make it a point to attend.



From the Classroom to the Job Site: SUNY Broome's Engineering Tech Program is Building the Future

March 15, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



Chelci Allis often jokes that she's working on her "field bachelor's" in construction.

Many people believe that good jobs require a bachelor's degree, noted the 2014 graduate from SUNY Broome Community College's Civil Engineering Technology program. They might also believe that jobs in the construction field are similarly limited – the typical "guy with a shovel."

Both assumptions are highly incorrect, the Vestal native points out.

She should know: she's been busy working throughout New York State. A week after graduation, she began working at the state Department of Transportation's massive Prospect Mountain road construction project, testing concrete for new bridges. In January 2015, she became a field engineer for the Maine-based construction company Cianbro. Her projects have ranged from the North Grand Island Bridge near Niagara Falls to a natural gas compressor station in Herkimer County, and finally to her current stint in Cianbro's Estimating Department.

While her work takes her across the state, Allis views every project as a learning opportunity and a chance to improve her knowledge and skill base. Construction, as she points out, is a major exercise in planning and logistics, a complex web of interrelated tasks involving a wide range of factors, from materials handling and equipment to earthworks, safety and the composition of the materials themselves.

"You don't realize as a student how much goes into a project," she mused. "There is a lot more going on that just fixing a bridge.

"I can easily say that just about everything I learned at SUNY Broome I'm using today. It sets you up for real construction."



SUNY Broome alumna Chelci Allis, a field engineer, has worked on construction projects all over the state. Here are pictures of some of them.









A path to careers

SUNY Broome's Engineering Technologies programs are among the college's oldest, dating back to the 1947 opening of Binghamton's Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences, one of five such institutes and the forerunner to the community college system.

The college offers three core A.A.S. degree programs. Civil Engineering Technology (CET), the most popular, typically draws around 80 students, while Mechanical Engineering Technology typically draws 50 and Electrical Engineering Technology, 40.

In recent years, the college has added a Manufacturing Technology A.A.S. degree, which typically enrolls around 10 students, with the first scheduled to graduate in May 2016. A future degree in Aircraft Maintenance, A.O.S., is under development, and awaiting approval from the Federal Aviation Administration and the SUNY system.

The programs are both academically rigorous and hands-on, noted Engineering Technologies Chair Joe DeAngelo, a SUNY Broome graduate himself. In addition to classroom time spent learning theory and concepts, students spend approximately half their time working in the field.

The Civil Engineering Technology program teaches from a construction perspective, with such topics as soil mechanics, hydraulics, materials testing, estimating, structural design, surveying and more, as well as a host of classes in CAD, including engineering drawing, civil drafting, architectural drawing and design.

The two other core programs have construction applications as well. Mechanical Engineering Technology addresses such topics as thermodynamics and fluid mechanics that are useful for future work in HVAC companies and on pipelines, while Electrical Engineering offers skill and familiarity with topics of use to those in energy-related fields.

About half of program graduates transfer to four-year schools; popular options include the Rochester Institute of Technology, SUNY Polytechnic Institute, Alfred State College, SUNY Delhi, the University at Buffalo, and the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry for construction management.

Jim McDuffee, now Vice President and Chief Operating Officers of Delta Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors, used his SUNY Broome degree as a stepping stone to a four-year school. He's far from the only Hornet at the Binghamton area's largest engineering and architectural business; more than 40 of his colleagues went to SUNY Broome, including company president and CEO Anthony Paniccia, who sits on the college's Board of Trustees.

McDuffee graduated the CET program in 1988, and the college's engineering science program after that. From there, he transferred to Ivy League Cornell University to finish his engineering degree.

"I remember it being a fantastic experience – hands-on, a great professor-to-student ratio. They were very passionate in making sure that students learned and learned well," he said of SUNY Broome, adding that he still keeps in touch with his former professors. "I was perfectly well-prepared to finish my bachelor's at Cornell."

The other half of students follow Chelci Allis' path and enter the workforce directly, for a wide range of firms and government agencies. Among them is Bill Steen, now a rebar estimator for Tarco Steel in Binghamton.

Steen had graduated SUNY Broome years ago with a Liberal Arts degree, planning to transfer to Syracuse University to study landscape architecture. But life intervened, pushing that degree out of reach. Instead, he spent 10 years as a pressman for Vail-Ballou, only to face unemployment when the company closed its local plant.

He then earned a CET degree and landed his current job. His SUNY Broome degree prepared him well for the work, he said.

"I look at drawings and I talk to people on a technical level and know a lot more about the product I'm handling on a day to day basis," he said.

These days, a degree in Engineering Technologies is lucrative for students; DeAngelo noted that the program has an enviable 100 percent employment rate for students transitioning to the work world. Many local companies and the state Department of Transportation also provide Tech students with internship and summer job opportunities that can also ultimately lead to employment.

"We've seen an improvement in the job market since 2010. We currently have more companies looking for people than students," DeAngelo said.



Professor Joe DeAngelo's surveying class completes an assignment outside.

























The Employer Connection

Local employers often look for SUNY Broome graduates, citing their skills and qualifications for a wide

range of roles.

1. Allyn Jones Jr., president of J & K Plumbing and Heating, said graduates tend to be self-motivated with good work habits, an interest in their jobs and technical expertise. Hornet alumni at his firm include estimators, the head of the CAD department, mechanics, project managers and even the Chief Financial Officer, a graduate of SUNY Broome's Business and Public Services division.

"We've had a lot of success with the graduates," he said, adding that the company has participated in an internship program with the college that led to several full-time hires.

Matco Electric Co. employs at least eight SUNY Broome graduates, including the company's CAD operator, according to President Mark Freije. At Delta Engineers, graduates include technicians and senior technicians, as well as surveyors and construction inspectors, McDuffee said; several have risen up through the ranks, and ended up leading projects.

"We look for them," McDuffee said of the college's Engineering Technologies graduates. "They're so well-prepared and align well with what we need. We feel strongly about the quality of the students; they are preparing them to meet our needs."

Employers also play a role on campus as a way to give back. In addition to offering internship opportunities, they participate in mock interviews, giving students a chance to hone their professional development skills, as well as programs such as P-TECH, which provides economically disadvantages high-school students with the opportunity to work toward their Associate's degree in STEM fields, including Engineering Technology.

Going Forward

Even though SUNY Broome's Engineering Technologies programs are among the college's oldest, they have kept up with changing times and technologies. These include software such as AutoCAD, AutoCAD Civil 3D, Revit and SolidWorks. The program also purchased new GPS equipment for its surveying classes through the Ahearn Tech Fund, Professor DeAngelo said.

While students have always participated in hands-on projects, they recently received a new opportunity in partnership with Binghamton University: building an electric car from scratch.

In just eight months, a team of students from SUNY Broome and BU designed and built an open-wheel, single-seat racecar for an international competition – no small feat. Students in SUNY Broome Engineering Technologies Professor Gary DiGiacomo's class helped design the electric motor and built the drive train.

New opportunities are also on the horizon. SUNY Broome's Mechanical Building – among the oldest on campus – will be completely rebuilt in 2017 and 2018, and feature all new classrooms and labs.

For Chelci Allis and Bill Steen, the Engineering Technologies program has opened the door to opportunity and success – and proved the value of an Associate's degree.

"You can be just as effective with a two-year degree and some field experience as someone with a bachelor's degree who is just out of college," Allis said. "After I graduated, I wanted to get out there and I wanted to work and learn all that I can

Change the Date: Keep Calm & Ace Your Finals event moves to May 3

March 15, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized

Due to a conflict with Spring Fling, Keep Calm & Ace Your Finals has been moved to Tuesday, May 3, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Baldwin Gym.



Changing Directions: SUNY Broome welcomes new Dean of Health Sciences

March 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



When Amy Brandt first considered her future, healthcare wasn't part of the score. Rather, the Los Angelesarea native practiced for hours on the French horn, envisioning a career in music – perhaps an orchestra pit, watching the conductor's baton.

But the culture changed, and classical music no longer seemed a way to make a living as fine arts budgets were slashed around the country. Unsure of what to do, she decided against the conservatory, opting instead for the University of California – Los Angeles (UCLA), where she studied English.

English? French horn?

"It does seem odd," SUNY Broome's new Dean of Health Sciences and Distance Education agreed, as she sat in her office at the top of the Decker Health Sciences building. "After my undergraduate years I was ready to work. I never envisioned myself getting a Ph.D.; that wasn't the plan. I had trained to be a classical musician."

You may not imagine a Health Sciences dean coming from a background in literature or music, but then, you probably haven't met Dr. Brandt. And in a sense, perhaps it's fitting that the associate vice president who will oversee a changing department has undergone transformations of her own – and in a way that would likely be familiar to many current college students.

With her bachelor's degree in English completed, Dr. Brandt was eager to get into the work world – but unsure what career to pursue.

"I can't explicate epic poems for a living," she quipped.

She found herself working for a chair of radiology, helping coordinate his research activities and a hospital residency program. That's how she ended up in healthcare, and she found she enjoyed it. Her next stop was working for a chair of emergency medicine in Baltimore, a mentor who pushed her young employee to figure out a path of study. Brandt, who was interested in human behavioral health, chose social work. She headed back west, earning her master's at Cal State — Sacramento and her doctorate at UCLA.

After earning her doctorate, she ended up working as a program coordinator for UC Berkeley's School of Social Welfare – and found herself at a crossroads. Would she pursue a research career, or try to make her mark in another way? A position opened up for a healthcare dean at Napa Valley College in northern California – and she took it.

"I decided I really wanted to have an impact. You can do with through research, but it's a very long drawnout process and it's a real crapshoot whether you're researching the right topics at the right time," she explained.

After three and a half years there, she became director of Health Sciences and Curriculum Management for Corinthian Colleges and then dean of Academic Affairs & operations for South University in Florida. But she missed the public system. With her husband traveling for work, she decided to follow her career to the Gulf Coast, becoming dean of Vocational Instruction for Wharton County Junior College in Texas. The Wharton position gave Brandt the opportunity to learn about traditional vocational education – from petrochemicals to the police academy, nursing and emergency medical technicians. She joked that she learned she should never be a welder, because "things catch fire."

But healthcare remained central to her interests. When the dean position opened up at SUNY Broome, nearly two years after she started at Wharton, she took the leap.

Some of the reasons were personal. In a few years, her husband will retire, and upstate New York puts him closer to his family. Although they loved the people they met in Texas, life on the Gulf Coast – with its famous heat and humidity — wasn't for them. SUNY Broome's administration seemed forward-thinking, and willing to tackle the challenges in the changing healthcare field.

And, of course, it was centered in healthcare – a field she fell into accidentally, and fell in love with.

In choosing Dr. Brandt for the post, Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti cited her experience in program and curriculum development, evaluation and improvement, as well as accreditation and regulatory compliance, faculty recruitment and more. She's also known for a collaborative and solution-focused management style, which is also a plus.

"She feels the best solutions are derived from people bringing diverse values and experience together to resolve problems," Dr. Battisti reflected. "Dr. Brandt's experience in higher education will be an asset to the Health Sciences Division and to our campus community."



A changing field

Nationally, the healthcare system is undergoing massive changes, spurred by the Affordable Healthcare Act. The roles of doctors, nurses and other healthcare professionals are shifting – and along with it, the programs that train these professionals.

"The standard delivery models won't necessarily hold up," explained Dr. Brandt.

As healthcare becomes more accessible, physicians are assuming more specialized roles, caring for patients who are more medically complicated. A relatively healthy person or one with routine needs is more likely to visit a nurse practitioner or a physician assistant. The location of many services is also shifting – away from hospitals and into outpatient settings, or even via remote delivery for rural locations.

As responsibilities and even decision-making are shared, the need for in-depth training rises – not only for nurses, but for technicians and associated health professions. Health Information Technology also becomes critical in managing the expansion of healthcare, especially in the days of electronic healthcare records and data analytics.

"We're looking at all levels of the healthcare team upping their game," Dr. Brandt explained.

The new dean hit the ground running. Multiple health sciences programs are currently in the middle of the accreditation process, and planning for the future.

It's a challenging time for healthcare, and for SUNY Broome's Health Sciences Division. But Dean Amy Brandt has the focus, drive and determination – the same qualities that marked her as a budding classical musician – to get the job done.

"It is very dynamic and changing. You can't get bored in healthcare and if you are, you should probably look at changing careers," she said of the field. "The opportunities have opened up."

3D discussion on March 16 canceled

March 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The 3D (Dine, Discuss Diversity Series) discussion scheduled for noon March 16 has been canceled.

The series will resume on March 30.



It's Never too Late to Donate! The Faculty & Staff Campaign 2016

March 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Thank you to our faculty and staff participants for your 2016 campaign contribution! Your support and dedication not only to our campaign, but also to our campus community is invaluable and greatly appreciated!

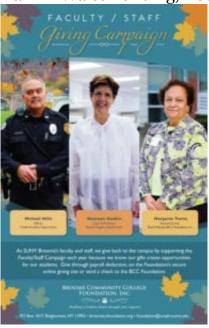
If you have yet to make your gift, please consider doing so today. We are hoping to achieve record participation across campus this year and we need your help.

Giving is easy, you can write a check and send to our office, or you can set up a recurring gift through payroll deduction by visiting the <u>2016 Payroll Deduction Form</u> (print, complete and send to Foundation (MS # 4) or make a <u>secure online credit card</u> gift today.

Thank you again for your support!

Please feel free to contact Andrea Roma, Director of Development, if you have any questions.

Sincerely, BCC Foundation Darwin Wales Building, Room 201



Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair draws more than 100 students

March 15, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



SUNY Broome welcomed nearly 100 local middle and high school students and their families and more than 35 local professionals who served as judges to the 14th annual Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair (STSSF) on Saturday, March 12. It was a celebration of science with medals, ribbons and more than \$1,500 in prizes distributed.

The event included a hands-on workshop called Getting Discreet with Calculating and Concrete offered by SUNY Broome STEM faculty and a 3D Printing and Additive Manufacturing workshop presented by engineers from Lockheed Martin, Incodema Group, BOCES New Visions Academy and the Union-Endicott CSD Technology Department. More than 30 volunteers, many of whom are current SUNY Broome students, worked with the fair participants in the workshops.

Major sponsors of the STSSF included SUNY Broome, Sigma Xi, BAE, IBM, Lockheed Martin and Time Warner Cable, but many other local companies and organizations have contributed awards and judges.

Thank you to all of the volunteers and to the faculty from the Health Sciences and STEM Divisions who worked so hard to make the 2016 Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair a success! Pictures can be found at: https://www.flickr.com/photos/bcc_bio/sets/72157665352807840





SUNY Broome voice students compete in Eastern Division conference

March 15, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



Nine voice students from the Applied Music studio of Music Coordinator Brenda Dawe traveled to Montclair State University on March 10 to 11 to attend the Eastern Division Conference and Auditions of the National Association of Teachers of Singing.

Ciaira Bridges, Jayla Davis, Brittany Miller and Paige Powell competed in Lower College Musical Theater Women. Emily Blumenfield and Kaleigh Watkins completed in Classical Freshmen Women and Kristen McPeak and Quessa Brown competed in Sophomore Classical Women. Megan MarkAnthony, an Early College Student, competed in Upper High School Musical Theater Women and Classical Women. Ciaria Bridges and Megan MarkAnthony both advanced to the Semi-Final round.

Studios, colleges and universities from New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Quebec and West Virginia can attend this conference. SUNY Broome is the only community college that sends students.

Professor Dawe also brought students from her private voice studio. A Vestal highsSchool senior, Drew Sprague, won Upper HS Musical Theater and placed second in Classical Men. A Maine-Endwell senior, Megan Hull, placed second in Musical Theater. Numerous students placed in the top five and will be sending audition tapes to qualify for the National competition.



Random Acts of Kindness Week runs through March 18 **updated**

March 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



It's cool to be kind! Show your good side during Random Acts of Kindness Week, which runs today through March 18.

Donate items to a food drive from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday in SB 227, or from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday in the Business Building lobby. Each item donated will enter you in a drawing for a \$15 gift card to the bookstore!

On Wednesday, take a look under your feet! We'll be creating art and writing sayings all over campus with sidewalk chalk.

All week long, take a compliment or give a compliment at our Kindness Board, located on the second floor of the Science Building. Or enter someone's name in the drop box if you noticed them doing something kind, and they'll get their name posted on the Wall of Kindness. Plus, look for cards of encouragement all week — and don't be afraid to share yours with someone else!



Citrix servers to be offline on March 22

March 15, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

On Tuesday, March 22, our remote access Citrix servers (<u>apps.sunybroome.edu</u>) will be unavailable from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm while we perform mandatory security and performance updates.

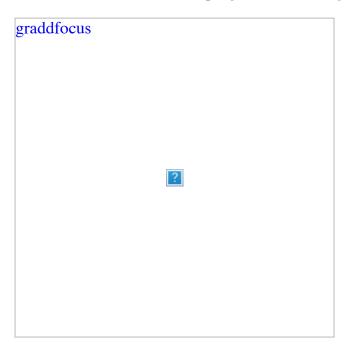
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Doctor in the house: President Drumm discusses his dissertation

March 14, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm isn't just the head of a top-notch community college. Dr. Drumm is also a scholar, and earned his Ph.D. in Organizational Studies and Higher Education at New York University more than two decades ago.

He had a chance to discuss his dissertation and the research behind it at a recent Doctoral Colloquium. The monthly events give SUNY Broome faculty and staff a chance to talk about their scholarship, while inspiring their peers to pursue their own graduate degrees.

Dr. Drumm began his work — ultimately titled "Difficulties in leadership Transition: A Case Study of a Community College Presidency" in 1986. His work started as an in-depth ethnographic study with no initial hypothesis, rather than the survey-driven research conducted by many of his graduate school peers.

"I would have been done a lot sooner if I did the traditional survey research," he conceded with a smile.

A bit of serendipity spawned his initial idea. One day, he discovered a book — simply titled *Leaders* — while on an airplane trip, and read it all the way through. Its concepts intrigued him, and he decided to focus on leadership during the pursuit of his graduate degree.

He decided to do an in-depth study of a leadership transition involving a new community college president and his administrative team. After receiving permission from the new president, he spent two to three days on the community college campus for a year. He attended meetings and had surprisingly candid conversations with a wide variety of campus personnel.

Dr. Drumm is still unable to publish his findings, as many of the interview subjects are still alive and may recognize themselves, despite pseudonyms and the undisclosed location of the college, which was also given a false name. (As such, we won't disclose the details of his research here in the Focus, although he did discuss his project in more detail — albeit with pseudonyms — during the colloquium.)

While the research took a year, it took four to turn his 500 pages of notes into a doctoral dissertation. Along the way, he began working and married.

Dr. Drumm didn't rule out publishing his research someday. It was groundbreaking at the time.

"There was not a lot of research on community college presidents," he remembered. "There were more on universities."



Scholastic Book Fair from March 10 through 16

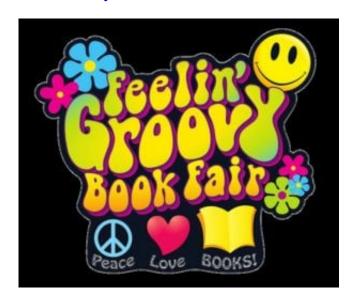
March 14, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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.

scholastic flyer 2016



SUNY Broome Open House & Alumni Reunion 2016

March 14, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Join us for the SUNY Broome Open House and Alumni Reunion from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 23, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center.

- Tour the campus and Student Village
- Find out about financial aid, scholarships and payment options
- Explore the outstanding majors available
- Watch an athletic team and find out what it takes to be a Hornet
- Improve your employability by getting involved in opportunities outside the classroom, such as Student Government, Study Abroad, Service Learning, clubs and more
- Enter to win \$500 in textbooks! (Some restrictions apply.)

Register for Open House here or call Admissions at (607) 778-5001 for more information.

SUNY Broome Alumni Reunion 2016 will be held on the same day! Alumni, please call the BCC Foundation at (607) 778-5182 to register.



Changes to our Enrollment Management team

March 14, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

As you may have heard, our enrollment offices are undergoing some changes to streamline and enhance our services to future students. This transition has been discussed for a number of years, and we have seen similar restructuring occur at our peer institutions. We are very excited to see it come to life here at SUNY Broome.

Under the leadership of Jesse Wells, a new Enrollment Management structure is being created. Admissions recruiting will now be working directly with our MarCom Office, while processing positions will be centralized in our new Enrollment Services Office under Marty Guzzi.

Our Admissions Office will still be intact, and both offices will be strengthened with new support positions. Please feel free to stop by and say hello to some of our new colleagues in these areas.

While our transformation may take some time to unfold, we hope that you will partner with us and work closely with all the areas involved. We will be looking for better ways to get the word out about our excellent programs, developing new systems that will make it easier to track students through the enrollment process, and exploring opportunities to make it easier for students to enroll overall.

Upcoming Professional Development Events

March 14, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

3D (Dine, Discuss Diversity) Series

LGBT- Alphabet of Difference?

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 16th 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 30th: Redskins, Blackhawks, The Fighting Irish, and the New England Patriots-What's in a Name?

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

Financing Community Colleges

SUNY Broome's Professor Emeritus Richard M. Romano has authored a book on community college finance that was released by Rowman & Littlefield in December. This presentation/discussion focuses on selected parts of the book which draws on 30 years of research and highlights current trends and future prospects. Topics range from where the money comes from, how it is spent, college quality, affordability, access, productivity and outcomes. Part of a series commissioned by the Association of Community College Trustees, *Financing Community Colleges* is available on Amazon or can be borrowed from the BCC library.

When: Thursday, March 17, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Richard Romano

Register: Register Here

Promotion and Appointment Basics

Review the basics and essentials of the Promotion & Appointment process at SUNY Broome. Newly hired, full-time employees working under the FA contract at SUNY Broome enter an Appointment process, the goal of which is to earn Continuing Appointment. In addition, these faculty members may apply for promotion or Professional Development Recognition Increment as stipulated by the Contract.

When: Friday, March 18, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Suzanne Shepard

Register: Register Here

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

Google Boot Camp: Google Drive

Learn how to use Google Drive to create, edit, and share documents & presentations. Everyone at SUNY Broome has access to Google Drive's free file creation and storage.

When: Thursday, March 31, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 11:50 am

Where: TRC Lab **Presenter:** Paul Cartie

Register: Register Here

Join us for the American Heart Association Heart Walk: 26 Days Left!

March 14, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized

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 at 9 a.m. Sunday, April 10, 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 <u>Field of Hearts Form</u> and we will do it for you!) please contact Deena at 778-5611.



Register for the Color Run on May 7

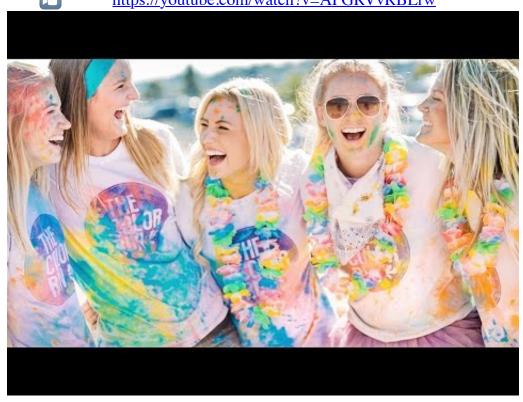
March 14, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

The Happiest 5k on the Planet is coming to Binghamton on May 7, 2016!

Escape the everyday with an island-style 5k in your city. Whether this is your first time at The Color Run or you're a seasoned pro, we'd love for you to experience our 2016 Tropicolor . Save \$5 and use SUNYBROOME when you register

The Color Run Tropicolor World Tour 2016 Official Video https://youtube.com/watch?v=APGRVvRBLrw





Watch and discuss 'The Codes of Gender' on March 16

March 13, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join SUNY Broome's Women's Discussion Group for a viewing of "The Codes of Gender" from 3 to 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, in T-108.

In the film, filmmaker and <u>Convocation speaker Sut Jhally</u> offers important insights into the social construction of masculinity and femininity, the relationship between gender and power, and the everyday performance of cultural norms. He uses many film clips in this 47-minute documentary to illustrate how media teaches us to "perform" gender.



Be advised this documentary film contains adult images and adult language, usually in the clips taken from well-known films and advertising images. A Media Education Foundation study guide for the film will be provided at this screening.

Discussion Leaders: Student Assembly President, Heather Coggin and Professor I.J. Byrnes, Philosophy Program

March 17 Film Screening: What's the Right Thing to Do?

March 13, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Don't miss this special screening of an ethics presentation on justice by Harvard's most popular professor and philosopher, Dr. Michael Sandel, at 3 p.m. March 17 in T-205. No one wants to leave Harvard without taking Sandel's course on justice. Join this film screening and discussion and you will understand why this highly influential thinker is such a hit.



Education and Early Childhood Advisement & Registration Days

March 13, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

It's that time again: Advisement and Registration for students in the Education and Early Childhood Department.

Appointments are available from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 18; Tuesday, March 29; and Wednesday, April 6.

Sign up in The Academic Advising Department, SS 210.

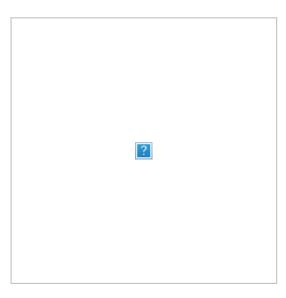


March 17 Common Hour Event: Irish Culture Under the British Empire

March 13, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized

How did Irish culture survive its brutal encounter with England at the height of its global empire? How does Ireland's experience compare with other former British colonies?

Learn more during this March 17 presentation by Professor Mary Donnelly, which begins at 11 a.m. in T-102.



Comedian Mickey Housely to perform April 1

March 13, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Need an April Fool's laugh? Comedian Mickey Housely will be performing in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theater from 7 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 1.

Mickey's show can be summed up as animated, witty, and full of self-deprecation fueled by a childhood of peer depreciation. Mickey was teased so much that he got good at teasing himself, too. Thinking, "Hey, if someone has to talk about me – why not me?"



Hornets Hoops with Heart Basketball Tournament on March 17 and 18

March 13, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



The American Heart Association and the SUNY Broome Student Activities Office are sponsoring the Intramural Basketball Championship Tournament "Hoops with Heart" from 8 to 11 p.m. March 17 and 18 in the Baldwin Gym, located in the Student Center.

Admission is free on March 17, the preliminary games. Finals are on March 18; admission is \$1 and will include an American Heart Association bracelet. At 9:45 p.m. March 18, there will be a 3-point shootout contest for a chance to enter a drawing for a TV; the entry fee is only \$1.

All proceeds from the event will go to The American Heart Association.



The Monday Poem: 'The Wall of Cold Descends'

March 13, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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

The wall of cold descends

by Marge Piercy

Near the end of our annual solstice party

as guests were rummaging through the pile for their coats and hugging many goodbyes the very first snow of the year began to eddy down in big flat flakes.

It was cold enough to stick, with the grass poking through and then buried.

Now the ground gives it back under the low ruddy sun that sits on the boughs of the pine like a fox

if red foxes could climb. The cats crowd the windows for its touch. The Wolf Moon seemed bigger than the sun, almost brighter as last night it turned the snow ghostly.

Now it too wanes. The nub end of the year when all northern cultures celebrate fire and light. Tonight we'll take the first two candles to kindle one from the other.

When we go out after dark, our eyes seek lights that bore holes in the thick black like the pelt of a huge hairy monster, a grizzly who devours the warm-blooded.

We are kin with the birds who huddle in evergreens, who crowd feeders, kin with the foxes and their prey, kin with all who shiver this night, homeless or housed, clutching or alone

under the vast high dome of night.



Diversity Discussion: 'Finding Common Ground' on March 31

March 13, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Learn about diversity in a talk on "Finding Common Ground" by Dr. Major Barnett, at 4 p.m. March 31 in Science Building Room 105. Hornets are a diverse bunch, and this is sure to be an interesting discussion led by one of the college's instructors.

There will be a short movie on the Blue Eye Brown Eye experiment and discussion following. Bring your opinions!



Delegate sought for NYS Teachers Retirement System

March 13, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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/



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St. Patrick's Day Themed Bake & Pizza Sale on March 16

March 11, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The Medical Assisting Club will be having a St. Patrick's Day themed bake from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, in Decker on the first floor.

Stop in and get some delicious baked goods and some pizza!



American Heart Association honors SUNY Broome as Fit-Friendly Workplace

March 11, 2016 Categories: FOCUS on Wellness



SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm accepted a plaque from the American Heart Association's Gina Chapman for the campus' Fit Friendly status.

The association named SUNY Broome a Fit-Friendly Workplace yet again last year, and awarded it the Gold Seal.



Free to good home: File folders

March 11, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Mary Gilbert in Financial Aid has three file sorters in excellent condition. "Yours for the taking!" she said.

Feel free to email her at

gilbertma@sunybroome.edu



Got Questions? Get answers on April 7

March 11, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Do you have any questions navigating SUNY Broome? Questions about getting involved and taking advantage of resources? Do you know about academic advising and course registration? What about Financial Aid and Scholarships?

Stop by the Got Questions table and ask one of the Imagine Success Members. We will be available between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. April 7 across campus. Building locations include the lobby of Titchener Hall, the Library, Applied Technology and Decker Health Science. We look forward to meeting you and answering your questions!



TEDxBinghamtonUniversity returns March 20

March 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

TEDxBinghamtonUniversity is an independently organized event that falls under the TED Talks umbrella. This year's theme is 'Flip the Script' because speakers are changing the game in their respective fields! You can check out the speakers here: http://binghamton.edu/events/tedx/tedX-2016/index.html

This year, the event will take place in BU's Osterhout Theater at the Anderson Center on at 1 p.m. **Sunday, March 20, 2016,** and is followed by a meet-and-greet reception with the speakers. Refreshments will be provided.

Tickets can be found:

- Online at \$11.80 (after fees)
 - http://bingtickets.universitytickets.com/
- Binghamton University Tabling at \$10 flat
 - o Monday, March 7, 2016 -Bartle under Flags
 - Tuesday, March 8, 2016 Tillman Lobby
 - Wednesday, March 9, 2016 Tillman Lobby
 - Thursday, March 10, 2016 Tillman Lobby
 - Friday, March 11, 2016 -Bartle under Flags
 - Monday, March 14, 2016 Tillman Lobby
 - Tuesday, March 15, 2016 Tillman Lobby
 - Wednesday, March 16, 2016 Marketplace
 - Thursday, March 17, 2016 Tillman Lobby
 - Friday, March 18, 2016 Marketplace

You Can Still Sign Up for the SUNY Wellness Challenge!

March 10, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

Registration for the SUNY Wellness Challenge will remain open through this weekend. Have you been thinking of signing up? Just do it! Get information and sign up at https://mycollege.sunybroome.edu/web/events/wellness-challenge

Already signed up? Don't forget to send or bring your \$10 fee to FSA!

Questions? Contact Heidi Melzer.

O drive offline from March 18 through 21

March 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

As part of a necessary hardware replacement and upgrade, ITS will be changing the O: drive name from "Cronos" to "Trident". As a result, the O: drive (common) will not be available starting Friday, March 18, at 5:00 p.m. and will be accessible no later than Monday, March 21, at 8:00 a.m.

All files and folders will be migrated by ITS, including security permissions.

Currently this drive is referred to as common\$ (\\cronos) (O:)

The changed name with be common\$ (\\trident) (O:)

It will be best to shutdown your computer on Friday, March 18, when you leave for the weekend as a restart on Monday is necessary to see the change and access the new O: common drive.

Votes for Women: SUNY Broome to host screening of Suffragettes

March 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join the SUNY Broome Women's Institute and the League of Women Voters of Broome and Tioga Counties on March 14 for a screening of *Suffragette*, a 2015 feature film on the fight for the vote in early 20th century Britain.

Following the film, stay for a panel discussion with SUNY Broome professors of history, English and psychology who have studied the suffrage movement. A reception and raffle will follow.

The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. March 14 in Decker Health Sciences Room 201.



Public Safety reminder: Semester fire drills are scheduled

March 10, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Fire drills will soon be happening for the semester. There are a few things to remember:

- 1) Please exit the building as soon as the alarm sounds. DO NOT attempt to finish the class.
- 2) Please close your room door.
- 3) Please exit the building and have your students move away from the building.
- 4) An officer(s) will need to walk through the building to make sure that all of the doors, audible/visual alarms, and any other related items have operated correctly and make sure everyone has exited the building.
- 5) The sooner the building is cleared, the sooner everyone gets back inside.
- 6) DO NOT go back into the building until you have been told to do so.

We are also required to take a head count and make sure everyone has exited the building. So, if you ask a question, you'll know why we don't answer (we're counting!)

If you have any questions regarding procedures, please consult the Emergency Response Guide.

*** Remember, we are REQUIRED by New York State Law to perform fire drills throughout the year. Your assistance is greatly appreciated in accomplishing this.

Defend yourself: Take the RAD Self Defense Program

March 10, 2016

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Public Safety and Human Resources are sponsoring a Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) Course for employees and students. R.A.D. is a realistic self-defense tactics and techniques training program for women. This program includes lecture, discussion and physical resistance strategies taught by certified R.A.D. Instructors.

The course will be held in the Baldwin Gym beginning on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, from 5 to 7 p.m. and will run for five (5) weeks (March 30, April 6, April 13, April 20 and April 27).

To sign up for the course contact Public Safety at 778-5083. Class size is limited and acceptance in the class will be on a first-come, first serve basis.

R.A.D. website http://www.rad-systems.com/



So you want to run for political office? Find out how on April 9 **new venue**

March 10, 2016

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Did you ever think you could do a better job than the current crop of elected officials? Perhaps you want to put your skills to work for the community you love, or believe that important changes need to be made in our county, cities, towns and villages. Perhaps you simply feel a calling to help make democracy work.

All too often, however, life gets in the way and those aspirations are put on the back burner. The end result: even in our region, some races for elected office barely find a single candidate. If you want to make a difference, consider the possibility of making a "leap of faith" as one recently elected official told us.

But unless you have an endless sea of money or a reality TV show, how would you even begin?

Join the SUNY Broome Center for Civic Engagement on **April 9** for a **free** non-partisan workshop on how to take those first steps. The event runs from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Titchener Hall Room 101 on the SUNY Broome campus.

The day begins with a roundtable discussion, featuring elected officials of different parties, age groups and genders, each explaining their decision to first run for office.

The workshop will then explore nuts-and-bolts information on how to gather and file petitions; filing financial reports; fundraising; and the use of print and electronic media and the Internet. During a free, light lunch, network and talk with elected officials and party representatives.

Following lunch, the afternoon session will concentrate on campaign ethics; what is involved in budgets; how to stay in touch with one's constituents; and how new candidates can help work to repair our democracy. At the conclusion of the afternoon session, there will be a special segment — "Run Sister Run!" — especially designed for women interested in running for office.

The Center encourages anyone with an interest in elected office to attend – including high school students, as they are future of our democracy.

Register online at www.sunybroome.edu/ce or call 778-5012. You can also register between 8:30 and 9 a.m. April 9 in Titchener 101. Coffee and doughnuts will be available.

Any questions should be directed to Professor Doug Garnar at garnardc@sunybroome.edu; or 778-5094.

Student Village Residents: Ask an Advisor and Transfer Counselor

March 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Connect with Advising and transfer resources from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Monday, March 14, in Student Village Classroom 135.

- Meet Advising Staff from Academic Advising, BPS Divisions and Health Studies
- Learn about requirements for your major
- Discuss transfer options
- Ask questions
- Schedule your advising appointment

All Student Village residents are encouraged to attend.



Watch and discuss 'The Codes of Gender' on March 16

March 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join SUNY Broome's Women's Discussion Group for a viewing of "The Codes of Gender" from 3 to 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, in T-108.

In the film, filmmaker and <u>Convocation speaker Sut Jhally</u> offers important insights into the social construction of masculinity and femininity, the relationship between gender and power, and the everyday performance of cultural norms. He uses many film clips in this 47-minute documentary to illustrate how media teaches us to "perform" gender.



Be advised this documentary film contains adult images and adult language, usually in the clips taken from well-known films and advertising images. A Media Education Foundation study guide for the film will be provided at this screening.

Discussion Leaders: Student Assembly President, Heather Coggin and Professor I.J. Byrnes, Philosophy Program

Bowling for CHOW on April 2

March 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Head to Midway Lanes in Vestal to help a good cause and have fun, too. Bowling for CHOW will run from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday April 2, and will benefit the CHOW Farm in Conklin.

The \$25 cost includes three games of nine no-tap bowling, shoe rental, pizza, wings, a fresh garden salad, soda, basket raffles, 50/50 drawings and a bake sale.

To register, call Kate Mower at (607) 768-4966 or email kmower@hardingbrooks.com. The deadline to enter is March 31.

The event is sponsored by the Broome Leadership Institute.







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Save the Date-Spring 2016 Carnival of Assessment

March 9, 2016

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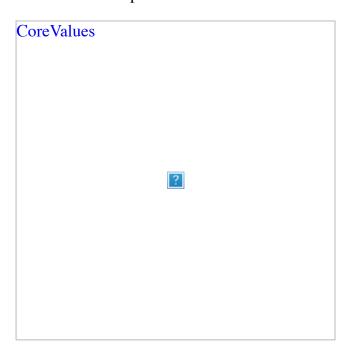
The spring 2016 Carnival of Assessment (Assessment Day) will be held from 9 a.m. to noon May 19, 2016.

Theme: Closing the assessment loop using Student Learning Outcome results.

Venue: Titchener Hall RM 101

Time: 9 a.m. to noon

Events will include presentations from each academic division about the use of student learning outcome assessment results to improve courses taught in subsequent semesters. Light refreshment will be served. Please make it a point to attend.



See and discuss the film 'Suffragette' on March 14

March 9, 2016

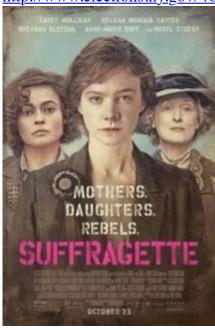
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Please join us as the SUNY Broome Women's Institute and the League of Women Voters show and discuss the film *Suffragette*.

This **free** event will run from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday, March 14, in Decker Building Room 201 on the SUNY Broome campus, and include food, raffle and giveaways. The event is sponsored by the SUNY Broome Women's Institute and the League of Women Voters of Broome and Tioga Counties.

And don't forget: March 25 is the deadline for registering to vote in the primary!

http://www.elections.ny.gov/VotingDeadlines.html



Vote now: It's time for Mascot Madness!

March 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

No speeches, no caucuses — but Stinger sure needs your vote in this election!

It's time for Mascot Madness. In Round One, our favorite Hornet is up against SUNY Oneonta's Red Dragon and Schenectady Community College's Royal the Duck.

We think Stinger is so much cooler than a duck and a dragon — but he needs your vote! All this week, <u>click</u> <u>here</u> to vote in Round One. You'll need a valid email address to verify your vote, so make sure to check your email inbox after casting your ballot.

You know what they say: Vote early and often!

To read about your favorite Hornet and other SUNY mascots — it pays to know the competition — $\underline{\text{click}}$ here.



Facilities Update: February 2016

March 9, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Update on 2015-16 Small and Medium Size Facilities Improvement Projects

This is a follow-up of the December/January Facilities Update that provided a list of the small and medium sized facilities projects identified as priorities for renovation this year.

The projects listed below have been completed or are well underway:

- Complete Mechanical building pre-design, usage plan, and construction estimates to be used in fundraising efforts. RFP completed and advertised.
- Replace light bulbs and fixtures with energy efficient ones Ongoing
- Install digital sign on campus front lawn sign is functioning, additional aesthetics to be added
- Repair doors and openers across campus Ongoing
- Renovate vacated Veteran's Office for use by payroll to provide safe and adequately sized space. Still needs smoke-alarm relocation.
- Replace old control system for HVAC in Decker Ongoing
- Downtown Library programming and estimate Ongoing, presentation to Board of Trustees at February meeting

The projects listed below are in early and middle stages of completion:

- Upgrade bathrooms in Business Building February/March
- Replace broken basketball hoops and deteriorated wood and padding in gyms
- Renovate business office suite and IT offices (adding help desk to IT entrance) front entry of business suite updated; IT help desk drawings being updated
- Rehab Titchener lecture halls Spring; replacement chairs identified and color scheme being selected
- Replace HVAC units in AT014 to reduce noise Day after graduation
- *Install outdoor basketball court Spring (location being identified)*
- Install sound proof music practice rooms Rooms are on order. Installation to follow.
- Add a second smoking gazebo near Hickory Road Spring
- Add a wall, door and workstation in the Financial Aid Office
- New carpeting, lights, paint, ceiling and furniture for SS210 Summer
- Business 110 Lecture Hall Renovate projection area
- Asbestos remediation in Student Services Building Summer
- Replace motor for compressor in the Ice Rink. Rewind old motor and retain as a spare. Should be completed before board meeting.

Carnegie Downtown Campus Renovation Cost Estimates Nearing Completion

We are in the final stages of developing a comprehensive building use plan and renovation cost estimates for the Carnegie Downtown Campus. There will be a presentation at the February 18, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting.

Other Business Building Updates Proceeding

Keystone Associates will be providing us with updated architectural drawings for the new "Student Help Desk" planned outside of the current IT entrance.

Decker Building Temperature Control and Mold Remediation

The project is ongoing with completion estimated by the end of February.

Mechanical Building Space Use and Building Connector Plan Being Finalized and Cost Estimates Prepared for Calice Funding Proposal

Mechanical Building Renovation plan and costs were presented to the BCC Foundation Board on Thursday, January 28. An RFP for architectural and engineering services has been completed and advertised.

Digital Sign on Campus Front Lawn Nearly Complete

The digital sign is now operational with additional aesthetic work to be completed in the upcoming weeks.

Payroll Office Renovation Completed to Provide Adequate Workspace and Improve Security

The payroll office renovation project has been completed with the exception of smoke alarm relocation.

Prepared by R. Losinger, VPAFA, and D. Ligeikis – 2/10/16

Top achievers: Meet SUNY Broome's All-New York Academic Awards recipients **updated**

March 9, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

If there is something interesting happening on campus, chances are that Heather Coggin and Richard Connolly know about it – and are actively involved.

Coggin serves as president of SUNY Broome's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), acting president of SUNY Broome's Student Assembly, president of the Women's Discussion Group on campus and vice president of the gardening club, and also serves on multiple campus committees. Connolly serves on the PTK student board, is the student representative on the committee that organizes the college's Ethics Conference and is serving his second term on the campus literary magazine's editorial board, among other activities.

Oh, and Connolly has a GPA of 4.0 and Coggin 3.75.

How do these high-achieving Hornets balance their campus service with academics, jobs and more?

"Coffee is our friend," Connolly deadpanned.

The two were recently nominated for the <u>All-USA Community College Academic Team</u>, which recognizes high-achieving students at two-year colleges who demonstrate academic excellence, intellectual rigor, leadership and service. Every year, only 20 students receive the honor, each winning a \$5,000 scholarship.

And on March 8, both were honored at the 2016 PTK All-New York Academic Awards at the New York State Museum in Albany. They were among 77 students to receive All-New York Academic Awards. Coggin was also named to the state's <u>Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team</u>.

"Each year, Phi Theta Kappa selects community college students from throughout New York State and the nation who have improved their local community in some way. In doing so, PTK also recognizes the immense value of a community college education and the profound impact that our students have on their campuses, in their communities, and on the economy," said SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher at the March 8 event. "Congratulations to all of the students honored today in recognition of their outstanding leadership and achievement."

Richard and Heather – who each had to write a half-dozen essays during the application process — will head to Albany on April 5 for a regional awards ceremony. If they win on an international level, then it's off to Chicago.

"The nomination is itself an award. Only two students get selected from each school," Heather explained.

Both are in their final year at SUNY Broome, with Richard majoring in Liberal Arts and Heather in Business Administration, respectively. Both also hope to transfer to Binghamton University across town.

Richard, a lifelong Vestal resident, hopes to become a professional writer, a career he's experienced firsthand with his involvement in <u>Breaking Ground</u>. Heather, a Harpursville native, hopes to transfer to Cornell's Johnson Graduate School of Management and become either a chief executive officer in the corporate world or start her own business. Initially unsure about her career path, she came to love business while working for a local auto parts store.

She wasn't involved in campus life during her first semester, but that changed after she saw the wide variety of clubs and activities available.

"I chased all the opportunities I could. It was been a very pleasant, rewarding experience," she said.

They've graduated from attending events to running them. PTK is heavily involved in Common Hour offerings, including a Feb. 11 Common Hour event on Weird Job Interview Questions, the Feb. 26 Institute on Race, Gender and the Jury System, and more. Both Connolly and Coggin are panelists for a March 10 discussion of The Secret History of Wonder Woman and are involved in the planning of other events, from Convocation to the Ethics Conference.

They and other organizers meet during college breaks and even the weekends to stay on task. Excellent mentorship helps as well.

"We can't do all the things we do without our advisor, Professor Irene Byrnes. We're thankful to have such a passionate lady mentoring us," Coggin said.

Both students opted for SUNY Broome for financial reasons, as well as family connections that kept them in the Broome County area. That choice proved to be rewarding in many ways, they said.

"I had a brother who went here several years back and he stressed that it was a good school with great teachers," Connolly said. "I've found SUNY Broome to be a very warm, open college. I've gotten a lot of mentorship here."



Left to right: Richard Connolly, SUNY Broome President Kevin Drumm, Heather Coggin

SANS OUCH! Mar 2016 – What is Malware?

March 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SANS is excited to announce the March issue of OUCH! This month, led by Guest Editor Lenny Zeltser, we focus on malware. Specifically,

what malware is and the key steps you can take to protect yourself against it. (Hint: it's not just anti-virus software.) As such, we ask you share OUCH! with your family, friends, and coworkers.

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Turn Obstacles into Triumphs: March 10 EOP Success Seminar

March 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

"How to Turn Obstacles into Triumphs: They Came, They Saw, They Conquered!" is the topic of the next EOP Success Seminar, which runs from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Thursday, March 10, in Natural Science Center Room 207G.



Volunteers needed: Basketball Heart Walk Event on March 18

March 8, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

SUNY Broome will host Hornets Hoop With Heart, a 2-day event on campus to support toe American Heart Association!

A few weeks ago, 19 Intermural SUNY Broome Basketball teams started playing in a 10-week league, leading up to the championship. The final 10 teams will advance to Thursday, March 17 games, and the final four teams will advance to Friday, March 18, championship.

The final four games will have a \$1 admission, with proceeds to the Heart Walk. The American Heart Association will also have a Heart Walk table at the finals to promote our SUNY Broome teams, and tell others how to get involved. Then, from 9:45 to 10:15 p.m., they will hold a 3-point shot contest, for \$1 per shot. The top 3 teams will receive SUNY Broome Student Store gift cards, and the top team will win an additional AHA prize.

Can you help? The American Heart Association would love your support from 8 to 11 p.m. Friday, March 18, for the championship games. They need help manning the table, selling tickets and more. If you are able to do a short shift, even one hour, they would love to have you.

Interested? Contact Gina Chapman, director of the American Heart Association of the Southern Tier, at Gina.chapman@heart.org



March 17 discussion: Financing Community Colleges

March 8, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome's Professor Emeritus Richard M. Romano has authored a book on community college finance that was released by Rowman & Littlefield in December. This presentation/discussion focuses on selected parts of the book which draws on 30 years of research and highlights current trends and future prospects. Topics range from where the money comes from, how it is spent, college quality, affordability, access, productivity and outcomes. Part of a series commissioned by the Association of Community College Trustees, *Financing Community Colleges* is available on Amazon or can be borrowed from the SUNY Broome library.

When: Thursday, March 17, 2016

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Richard Romano

Register: Register Here

Join the Creativity Club!

March 8, 2016

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Come explore the variety of ways to promote creative thinking in the Creativity Club! Activities include games, coloring, improvisation, writing and more.

The club meets every Thursday in Titchener Hall Room 106 from 6 to 9 p.m.



Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair to be held March 12

March 7, 2016

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The fourteenth annual Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair will be held at SUNY Broome from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12, 2016.

The Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair is dedicated to encouraging the Southern Tier's middle and high school students to pursue scientific and technological inquiries through individual science projects. Cosponsored by SUNY Broome, Lockheed Martin, BAE Systems, IBM, Time Warner Cable's Connect a Million Minds and the Triple Cities-NY Chapter of Sigma Xi, the Science Fair provides a forum for developing academic skills, including familiarity with the scientific method, conducting an independent scientific investigation, speaking and preparing an organized display.

Nearly 100 local students will have the opportunity to participate in two exciting workshops, meet with the judges and be considered for more than \$2,000 in awards and prizes donated by local businesses and organizations.

Faculty from the SUNY Broome's Division of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) will conduct morning workshops that give students the opportunity to mix and mold cement while learning about strength and density; use math to identify patterns; and engage in inventive problem-solving. In the afternoon, engineers from Lockheed Martin will provide an interactive stage show about 3D printing, followed by displays of 3D printers in action.

Family and friends are welcome to attend our awards ceremony, which is scheduled to start around 2 p.m. in the Baldwin Gym. We are pleased to welcome our honored guests who will help us to recognize and congratulate our student participants: Dr. Amy Brandt, Associate Vice President and Dean of Health Sciences

and Distance Learning at SUNY Broome; Dr. Kelli Ligeikis, Associate Vice President and Dean of STEM at SUNY Broome; Dr. Francis Battisti, Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer at SUNY Broome; Assembly Woman Donna Lupardo; and New York State Senator Fred Akshar.

For more information, please visit http://www.bccsciencefair.wordpress.com.

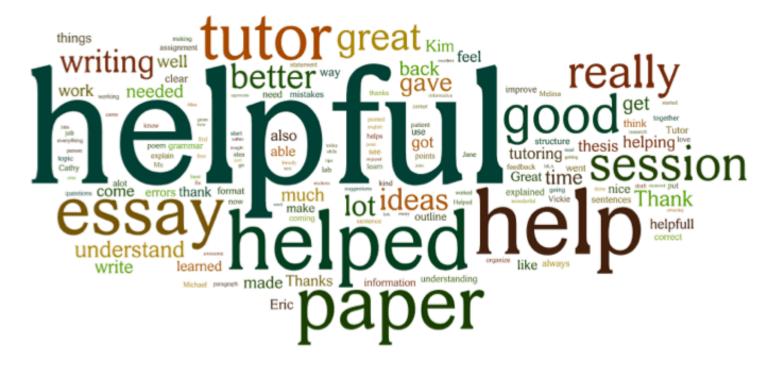


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Speakers of the House and The Writing Center present 'The Write Stuff'

March 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Speakers of the House invites you to 'The Write Stuff' on Friday, April 1, 2016.

Students from SUNY Broome's Writing Center will be presenting speeches they have written. Please join us at 3:10 p.m. in Darwin R. Wales Center Room 203B for this special event showcasing our student speakers and the Writing Center.



Coming in April: The Student-Choice Spring Showcase Theater Production

March 7, 2016 Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



The Periods and Styles of Acting Class is currently rehearsing for this semester's theater production, the Student-Choice Spring Showcase, which will feature the work of great playwrights on **Thursday, April 14**, and **Friday, April 15**.

The showcase will include a staging of "Thank You Rosa," a piece about Rosa Parks written by SUNY Broome Professor Katherine Bacon in support of this year's Convocation theme of Civil Rights, and in partnership with the newly formed <u>SUNY Broome Women's Institute</u>.

The event also will include the work of playwrights Tennessee Williams, August Wilson, Arthur Miller, Samuel Beckett, William Inge, Tony Kushner and SUNY Broome's own Jan Quackenbush.

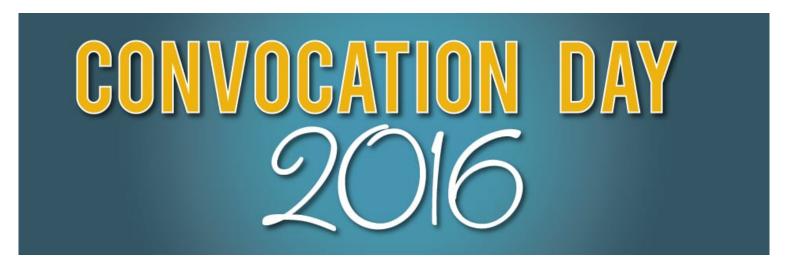
Pictured are some of the cast and crew in rehearsal. More information coming soon!



Notice to Campus Community about Change of Convocation Speaker

March 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



The campus-wide Convocation Committee regrets to inform the campus community that attorney Morris Dees will not be joining us on April 12, 2016, due to circumstances beyond our control.



The good news, however is that **acclaimed communications and media guru Sut Jhally**wlll be with us on Tuesday April 12, on the topic of *Why America Can't Think Straight about Race*, which will focus on race, media, popular culture, television and film.

Professor Sut Jhally, Ph.D, is a professor of communication at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, whose work focuses on cultural studies, advertising, media, and representations of race and gender. He is the producer of 40+ documentaries on media literacy topics and the founder and executive director of the **Media Education Foundation**. His documentaries have analyzed sexual imagery in music videos and his foundation has produced documentaries that analyze tough guys in rap videos and mobster movies. One of his most famous video productions is *Advertising and the End of the World*, which links advertising and the habits of a consumerist society to global environmental crises. He is also well-known for his series of documentary films on *Dreamworlds: Desire, Sex and Power in Music Video*.

The Media Education Foundation (MEF) founded by Jhally is a non-profit which produces and distributes documentary films and other educational resources to inspire critical reflection on the social, political, and cultural impact of American mass media. The Foundation's mission is to inspire students to think critically and in new ways about the hyper-mediated world around them.

Dr. Jhally is the author of 6 books and numerous scholarly and popular articles, and he is an in-demand speaker who has presented at hundreds of colleges. He has won the "Distinguished Teacher Award" at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, where the student newspaper has also voted him "Best Professor." He has shown his films and lectured at many colleges and universities nationally and internationally. He was named one of *New Woman* magazine's "People of the Year". As of 2015, Jhally teaches both undergraduate and graduate level courses which focus on media, public relations and propaganda, as well as gender, sex and representation.

Dr. Jhally was born in Kenya, and raised in England. After completing his undergraduate work at the University of York in England, he moved to Canada after accepting a scholarship to the University of Victoria. He continued his studies at Simon Fraser University, where he earned his doctorate.

Please note that all of the planned activities for Convocation Day 2016 remain in place as follows:

10 a.m. **Keynote Address** in Baldwin Gym

11 a.m. Q and A with Convocation Speaker in Baldwin Gym

Noon -2:15 p.m. **Natural Science Student Research Symposium**, AT Atrium under the guidance of: Professor Jason Smith; Professor Tracy Curtis; Professor John McCallen; and Professor Joe Beigen

1:15-2:15 Convocation Day Workshops TBA

2:30 Film Screening TBA

Note: All day and evening classes are canceled to support Convocation Day activities.

We appreciate the support of the campus community and **particularly our large group of Convocation Faculty Scholars, over 50 in number,** for their scholarly efforts and commitment to extra-curricular programming. We have planned an exciting day for the campus community with the active participation of colleagues and student leaders from around campus.

Members of SUNY Broome's Convocation Committee

SUNY Broome's Convocation Committee is a cross-divisional effort with student representation

Professor Irene Byrnes (Chair)

Professor Carla Michalak, Liberal Arts Division

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

Sweet Music: Common Hour Student Recital on March 10

March 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Students from the Applied Lesson studios of Joe Roma, Pej Reitz, Amy Christian, Gerald Grahame, Peter Sicilian and Brenda Dawe will perform a varied program in Decker 201 at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 10. Come hear some of our talented music students during your Common Hour and let your day be filled with the

joy of music!



Registration Open: Art of Teaching Conference 2016

March 7, 2016

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Join us at the Art of Teaching Conference

>>>>>>> April 22, 2016

Registration Now Open

Give yourself the gift of time spent with colleagues to connect, collaborate, and celebrate our vital work improving learning for our students and ourselves. The 2016 Art of Teaching Conference Keynote Address, "Writing, Reflection, and Personation" is presented by Alfred E. Guy Jr., R.W.B. Lewis Director of Writing and an Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs at Yale University. The keynote address will be followed by three workshop sessions with over 21 presentations to choose from. For a complete list and description of the presentations please review the 2016 Art of Teaching Program Descriptions and visit the Art of Teaching webpage hosted by TC3.

When: April 22nd, 2016 **Time:** 8:00 am – 3:45 pm

Where: Coltivare, TC3 Culinary Center

269 S. Cayuga Street

Ithaca, NY

Registration for the Art of Teaching Conference is limited to faculty and staff of the sponsoring institutions. Each institution is limited to 28 seats, so register early! Thanks to the generous support of the BCC Foundation, registration fees will be covered. This includes a continental breakfast and lunch.

Register by March 28th using the Art of Teaching Conference Registration Form. We hope to see you there!



Doctoral Colloquium presentation with Dr. Drumm on March 9 **venue updated**

March 7, 2016

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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:** Decker 201

Presenter: Dr. Kevin Drumm

Register: Register Here



International Education Call for Proposals

March 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

In 2005, an endowment for **International Education** was established to support innovative projects that assist the effort to internationalize the campus.

SUNY Broome's Strategic Directions for 2010-2015 include, under *Strategic Direction 2: Provide Learning Experiences*, an action plan focused on "expanding the global perspectives" by:

- Creating and identifying the brand for marketing International Education
- Expanding workforce development globally through an interface with International Education
- Increasing the number of international students through dual enrollment
- Creating a marketing plan to increase the number of sites and students in Study Abroad
- Promoting opportunities for faculty to teach and study internationally
- Infusing a global perspective in curricula

Purpose and Criteria for Grants

A grant from the International Education Endowment is again available for the academic year 2015-2016. Given the strategic focus noted above, it has a renewed sense of purpose. Awards from the endowment will be made for projects that relate to the action plan for internationalizing the campus and should contribute to systemic, long-term change in the College's efforts in this area.

The selection of award recipient(s) is at the discretion of the College President, in consultation with the Director of International Education. Funding may be allocated for a semester, or longer, to a single individual or a group of individuals. Funds may be designated for a single purpose over a period of years but would generally not be reserved for more than three years for any one person or project.

Mandates for the use of the funds are in five main areas:

Curriculum

Identify and develop an international focus at the course, program, or degree level.

• Grant Procurement

Identify, secure, and administer grants in international education for the college.

• Professional Development

Pursue opportunities for faculty/staff to develop or enhance international awareness and competency.

• Student Support

Enhance or develop enrollment, academic, or learning support systems that address international issues.

• Community Resources

Identify, develop, and promote relationships with the local community focused on international issues; combine community and college resources to create educational/cultural partnership opportunities.

Awards will be contingent on the quality of the proposal, relationship to SUNY Broome's Strategic Direction 2: Action Plan 2.7, and the availability of funds.

Since the use of the Endowment is designed to finance projects that have long-term benefits for the campus

community, the funds cannot be used:

- to support an individual student who wishes to study at SUNY Broome or who is already on campus;
- to support sending SUNY Broome students to study abroad;
- for purposes unrelated to international education; or
- to purchase equipment.

Click the file below for proposal guidelines. The deadline is April 15.

International Education Endowment Call for Proposals (2016) (

Upcoming Professional Development Events

March 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

3D (Dine, Discuss Diversity) Series

The Science of Racism

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 9th 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 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?

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: Decker 201 *NOTE THIS IS A NEW LOCATION*

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)

Financing Community Colleges

SUNY Broome's Professor Emeritus Richard M. Romano has authored a book on community college finance that was released by Rowman & Littlefield in December. This presentation/discussion focuses on selected parts of the book which draws on 30 years of research and highlights current trends and future prospects. Topics range from where the money comes from, how it is spent, college quality, affordability, access, productivity and outcomes. Part of a series commissioned by the Association of Community College Trustees, *Financing Community Colleges* is available on Amazon or can be borrowed from the BCC library.

When: Thursday, March 17, 2016

Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Richard Romano

Register: Register Here

Promotion and Appointment Basics

Review the basics and essentials of the Promotion & Appointment process at SUNY Broome. Newly hired, full-time employees working under the FA contract at SUNY Broome enter an Appointment process, the goal of which is to earn Continuing Appointment. In addition, these faculty members may apply for promotion or Professional Development Recognition Increment as stipulated by the Contract.

When: Friday, March 18, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Where: TRC Lab

Presenter: Suzanne Shepard

Register: Register Here

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

SUNY Wellness Challenge – It's Not Too Late to Register

March 7, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

The SUNY Wellness Challenge has started, but there is still time to register! Registration will remain open through the week.

Info and register:

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

Registered already?

Don't forget to send or bring your \$10 registration fee to FSA.

Badminton tournament (for bonus points!) on March 9 and kickoff event on March 15. Other opportunities for bonus points are posted under the "Latest and Events" section of the website.

Happy stepping!

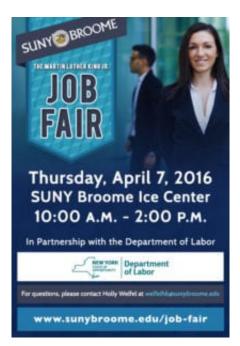
Job Fair to be held April 7 at the Ice Center

March 7, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Job Fair returns to SUNY Broome on Thursday, April 7.

The event, held in partnership with the Department of Labor, runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the SUNY Broome Ice Center. Visit http://www.sunybroome.edu/job-fair for more information.



Yum! Multicultural Dinner will be on March 11

March 6, 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.



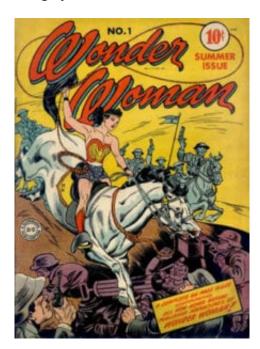
March 10 Common Hour Event: The Secret History of Wonder Woman

March 6, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join panelists Heather Coggin, Richard Connolly, Steven Burnette and I.J. Byrnes at 11 a.m. March 10 in T-102 for a special Women's History Month discussion, "The Secret History of Wonder Woman."

Panelists will discuss the comic book heroine, as presented in Jill Lepore's book. You will find out at least 10 things you did not know about action figures, the creation of cultural icons and the making of a superhero.



The Monday Poem: 'The History Teacher' by Billy Collins

March 6, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized

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

The History Teacher by Billy Collins

Trying to protect his students' innocence he told them the Ice Age was really just the Chilly Age, a period of a million years when everyone had to wear sweaters.

And the Stone Age became the Gravel Age, named after the long driveways of the time.

The Spanish Inquisition was nothing more than an outbreak of questions such as "How far is it from here to Madrid?" "What do you call the matador's hat?"

The War of the Roses took place in a garden, and the Enola Gay dropped one tiny atom on Japan.

The children would leave his classroom for the playground to torment the weak and the smart, mussing up their hair and breaking their glasses,

while he gathered up his notes and walked home past flower beds and white picket fences, wondering if they would believe that soldiers in the Boer War told long, rambling stories designed to make the enemy nod off.



Turn your challenges into strengths: Student2Student on March 9

March 6, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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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March 9 Doctoral Colloquium to feature President Drumm

March 6, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm will be the presenter at the March 9 <u>Doctoral Colloquium</u>, which runs from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the TRC. He will present on "The Leadership Vacuum: An ethnography of the first year of an experienced president taking the reins of a high-profile community college."

Votes for Women: SUNY Broome to host screening of Suffragettes on March 14

March 6, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join the SUNY Broome Women's Institute and the League of Women Voters of Broome and Tioga Counties on March 14 for a screening of *Suffragette*, a 2015 feature film on the fight for the vote in early 20th century Britain.

Following the film, stay for a panel discussion with SUNY Broome's Dr. Ellen Brand and Dr. Melyssa Wrisley. A reception and raffle will follow.

The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. March 14 in Decker Health Sciences Room 201.



Southern Tier Robotics Competition on March 16

March 4, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The SUNY Broome Community College Engineering Science and Physics Department will hold the seventh annual Southern Tier Robotics Competition on Wednesday, March 16, on the SUNY Broome campus in the Applied Technology Building atrium. The event is co-sponsored by the Eastern Southern Tier STEM Hub and SUNY Broome.

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

This year, 148 students will compete. Schools include: Broome-Tioga BOCES' New Visions engineering program; BOCES' Evertech Academy; Chenango Forks High School; Chenango Valley High School; Greene High School; Harpursville High School; Maine-Endwell High School; Owego Free Academy; Seton Catholic Central High School; Sidney Elementary School; Sidney Junior High School; and Sidney Elementary School, Junior High School and High School.

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

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

Educational Planning for Liberal Arts, Criminal Justice and Fire Science Students

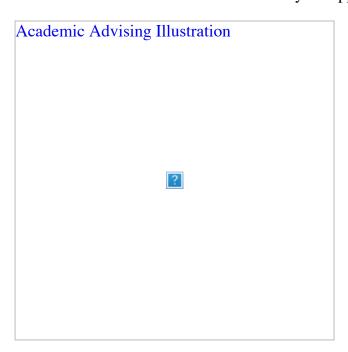
March 4, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Are you in a Liberal Arts, Criminal Justice or Fire Science degree programs? Do you want to get a big jump on your fall schedule? Would you like to plan out your road to degree completion?

Schedule an appointment for Educational Planning! Don't delay, stop by the Academic Advising Department in SS 210 or call 778-5421 and schedule your appointment today.



There is Still Time to Register for the SUNY Wellness Challenge

March 4, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

The SUNY Wellness Challenge starts Monday March 7, but there is still time to register! Registration will remain open through the week. Make sure you register by March 11 — and keep track of your steps, water, fruits and veggies. Beginning March 7, you'll be able to enter them all once you are registered. Don't forget to send or bring your \$10 registration fee to FSA by March 11 also.

Badminton tournament (for bonus points!) on March 9 and kickoff event on March 15 – see the following for more information or to register:

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

Hornets Hoops with Heart Basketball Tournament on March 17 and 18

March 4, 2016 Categories: Uncategorized



The American Heart Association and the SUNY Broome Student Activities Office are sponsoring the Intramural Basketball Championship Tournament "Hoops with Heart" from 8 to 11 p.m. March 17 and 18 in the Baldwin Gym, located in the Student Center.

Admission is free on March 17, the preliminary games. Finals are on March 18; admission is \$1 and will include an American Heart Association bracelet. At 9:45 p.m. March 18, there will be a 3-point shootout contest for a chance to enter a drawing for a TV; the entry fee is only \$1.

All proceeds from the event will go to The American Heart Association.



Educational Planning for Health Studies

March 4, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Are you in the Health Studies degree? Are you working on your prerequisites? Do you want to get a jump on your fall schedule? Would you like to plan out your road to degree completion?

Schedule an appointment for Educational Planning! Don't delay — stop by the Academic Advising Department in SS 210 and schedule your appointment today.



Polish your public speaking skills with Speakers of the House

March 4, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Want to communicate with confidence? Become a better speaker and presenter? Listen effectively? Develop your leadership skills? Help others reach their goals?

Check out Speakers of the House, SUNY Broome's chapter of Toastmasters International! They meet at 3:10 p.m. March 4, 11 and 25 in Darwin R. Wales Center Room 203B.

For more information, visit http://speakersofthehouse.toastmastersclubs.org/ or find us on Facebook: Speakers of the House.



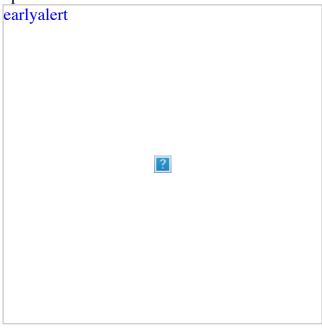
Ice Center to reopen at 10 a.m. March 5

March 4, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Good news: Our Ice Center will be open at 10 a.m. Saturday, one day earlier than previously expected.

Our first program will be the Binghamton Figure Skating Club's Learn to Skate program. All community open skate sessions will be on their usual schedule.



Heather Coggin named NY Coca Cola Scholar

March 3, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments



SUNY Broome student <u>Heather Coggin</u> is among nine New York Coca Cola Scholars, receiving a Bronze award from the scholarship program.

Heather, a Harpursville native in her final year at SUNY Broome, is heavily involved in campus life as president of SUNY Broome's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), acting president of SUNY Broome's Student Assembly, president of the Women's Discussion Group on campus and vice president of the gardening club, and also serves on multiple campus committees. She's also strong in the classroom, with a GPA of 3.75.

Coggin hopes to transfer to Cornell's Johnson Graduate School of Management and become either a chief executive officer in the corporate world or start her own business. Initially unsure about her career path, she came to love business while working for a local auto parts store.

She and fellow PTK member Richard Connolly also were recently nominated for the <u>All-USA Community</u> <u>College Academic Team</u>, which recognizes high-achieving students at two-year colleges who demonstrate academic excellence, intellectual rigor, leadership and service.

Congratulations, Heather!





BC Center visits SUNY Broome's Dental Clinic

March 3, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



BC Center's preschool classrooms visited SUNY Broome's Dental Hygiene Clinic on February 17.

The children saw the dental chairs and equipment, and practiced brushing teeth on a very cute stuffed monkey. The Dental Hygiene also students put together goodie bags that included a new toothbrush.

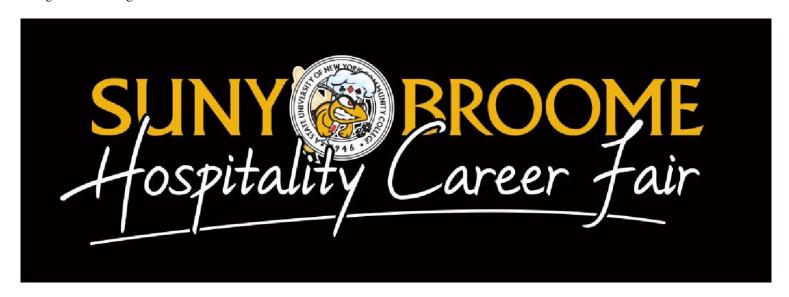




SUNY Broome Hospitality Career Fair on May 3

March 3, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Looking for a job, or need work for the summer? Need a career change, or know a business that is looking to hire?

Join us at the SUNY Broome Hospitality Career Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, in the SUNY Broome Ice Center.

Our great DJ will be raffling off prizes; the winner must be present to claim. Refreshments will be available for purchase through the Hospitality Club.

For more information, contact Maria Montemagno at montemagnomk@sunybroome.edu.



Defend yourself: Take the RAD Self Defense Program

March 3, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Public Safety and Human Resources are sponsoring a Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) Course for employees and students. R.A.D. is a realistic self-defense tactics and techniques training program for women. This program includes lecture, discussion and physical resistance strategies taught by certified R.A.D. Instructors.

The course will be held in the Baldwin Gym beginning on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, from 5 to 7 p.m. and will run for five (5) weeks (March 30, April 6, April 13, April 20 and April 27).

To sign up for the course contact Public Safety at 778-5083. Class size is limited and acceptance in the class will be on a first-come, first serve basis.

R.A.D. website http://www.rad-systems.com/

Tee off: Registration is now open for the Skorko Charity Open!

March 3, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The third annual Lee Skorko Charity Open will be held Friday, June 3, at the En-Joie golf club. Register your team today to secure your spot!

This all-day event will benefit the James Lee Skorko Scholarship fund at SUNY Broome.

The tournament will have two flights and tee times will be in the morning and the afternoon. Registration begins at 7 a.m., with the first shotgun flight at 7:45 a.m. Registration ends at 12:45 p.m., just before the 1 p.m. afternoon start. The morning session includes breakfast and lunch, and the afternoon includes lunch and dinner at 6 p.m.

The golf tournament, including cart and meals, cost \$85 per person. The dinner banquet only (no golf) costs \$45.

Click **HERE** for online registration or call (607) 778-5221. All forms are also available on the website.



Springtime fitness classes for faculty and staff

March 2, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

Get in shape this spring with these employee wellness classes, sponsored by the SUNY Broome Wellness Committee at no charge to our faculty and staff:

• Yoga Short and Sweet, a 30-minute lunchtime rejuvenation program, runs from 12 to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays from March 8 through April 21. Taught by Allison Ellis in Student Center Room 106, there is space for 20 participants. Bring a yoga mat and water bottle with you, and learn to breathe deep, move slowly, connect and restore. Starting with a Vinyasa warm up that allows you to feel more calm, centered, strong and flexible, Short and Sweet will provide a well-balanced workout so you feel refreshed and ready to conquer the rest of your day. To register: Contact Continuing Education at 778-5012 – Course Reference #GW005-02



• Fitness Fusion runs from 5 to 5:45 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays from March 9 through April 25. Taught by Allison Ellis in Student Center Room 106, there is space for 20 participants. Your commitment will be to attend a minimum of 10 classes, and to participate to the best of your ability. Lean the importance of core strength and flexibility, feel healthier through regular movement, get weekly tips and workouts to ease you into a successful exercise program with pilates, yoga, sculpting and barefoot cardio. Contact Continuing Education 778-5012 – Course Reference #GW003-03



Please note that there will be no classes during spring break, from March 21 through 27.

SUNY Broome Faculty Art Exhibit runs from March 7 through 29

March 2, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

The SUNY Faculty Art Exhibit opens on March 7 and will run through March 29 at the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, located on the first floor of the Library.

The exhibit features a select collection of inspired artwork from the SUNY Broome Liberal Arts faculty. There will be a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. March 17.



'Bottom's Up' with the SUNY Broome Women's Institute

March 2, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



What was the <u>Women's Institute's</u> inaugural event <u>on Feb. 26</u> all about? Take a minute and watch the local news report on the event:

<u>http://www.wicz.com/news/video.asp?video=2-26-16bott%2Eftv&zone=News</u> Plus, enjoy these photos by Buzz photographer Smithshell Julien:





































































































































Next Event: Join us at 6 p.m. March 14 in Decker 201 for a screening of the film <u>Suffragettes</u>, followed by a panel discussion.

Questions? Stop by the Academic Advising Outreach Table **updated locations**

March 2, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Do you have questions about academic advisement and/or registration? Do you know who your academic advisor is? Do you know when advisement and registration begins?

Get your answers at the Academic Advising Outreach Table! Here's the schedule:

- 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, in the Titchener lobby
- 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, in the Student Center
- 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, March 10, in the Student Center
- 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, in the Student Center



SUNY Wellness Challenge starts Monday

March 2, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

Are you registered yet? Registration is open! Support your coworkers in healthy habits! The challenge runs March 7 to May 1. Our first event for bonus points is a Badminton tournament on Wednesday March 9. Kickoff party on March 15. Get more information at

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

Once you are registered, don't forget to send in your payment!

Phi Theta Kappa Festival of International Films Spring 2016

March 2, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Note: This is a members-only scholarly event for members of the **Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society** designed to support the new Honors Study Topic which is *How the World Works: Global Perspectives*.

Presiding Faculty: Our thanks go to our film guide, Dr. Mary Donnelly of the English Department. Questions should be sent to Professor I.J. Byrnes of the Philosophy Program and Faculty Adviser to Phi Theta Kappa.

The scholarly goal of the Film Festival is to increase global understanding and appreciation for other cultures. It is also designed to enhance the global competencies of the attendees and to further an understanding of Phi Theta Kappa's honors study topic.

Finally, in an increasingly global job market, it will no doubt prove helpful to have an international-experience-at-home as scholars at Cornell University have described it.

Scholarly Certification: Those who attend the majority of the film series and participate in discussions will be awarded a certificate at the last scheduled screening.

The Film Festival will be held Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in T-102 on the following dates:

Metropolis (Germany, 1927), March 2

Mother India (India, 1957), March 16

Black Orpheus (Brazil, 1959), March 30

Love & Anarchy (Italy, 1973) April 13

The Tin Drum (Germany, 1979), April 27

Tsotsi (South Africa, 2005) May 11



Votes for Women: SUNY Broome to host screening of Suffragettes

March 2, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Join the SUNY Broome Women's Institute and the League of Women Voters of Broome and Tioga Counties on March 14 for a screening of *Suffragette*, a 2015 feature film on the fight for the vote in early 20th century Britain.

Following the film, stay for a panel discussion with SUNY Broome professors of history, English and psychology who have studied the suffrage movement. A reception and raffle will follow.

The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. March 14 in Decker Health Sciences Room 201.



Doug's Fish Fry to benefit BHS After-Prom party

March 2, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

Doug's Fish Fry to Go will be at Hatala Orthodontics at 165 Riverside Drive in Johnson City from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, March 11.

Sales will benefit the Binghamton High School Class of 2016 After-Prom party.

See the attached flyer for pricing and details.

dougs togo event flyer 031116 bhs afterprom

Phi Theta Kappa Wins Honors Study Case Challenge Award

March 2, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

Our campus chapter of Phi Theta Kappa has been selected as an Honors Case Study Challenge Award Winner. SUNY Broome's international honor society is the first from New York State to be awarded this honor since the competition began in 2003. Of 41 international submission received in the competition, only three chapters won this award. SUNY Broome's President, Dr. Kevin Drumm and SUNY Broome Executive Vice-President/Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Francis Battisti and Student Affairs Vice-President Debra Morello, offered their congratulations to the student leadership of Phi Theta Kappa and its Faculty Adviser.

This award is based on research the student leadership and faculty adviser conducted in Fall 2015 and which they wrote up in a series of essays. The rules for this competition appear to provide a sense of the effort involved .The chapter will be awarded \$500 as well as a certificate and plaque and a place of honor in the Parade of Scholars at the 2016 Convention established by Phi Theta Kappa International.

The award-winning submission from Phi Theta Kappa's was a writing and research project entitled *Implications of the Climbing Industry on Mount Everest*. Phi Theta Kappa's writing and research team was composed of: Richard Connolly (Executive Vice-President; Heather Coggin, (Chapter President); and Faculty Adviser, Professor I.J. Byrnes.



Left to right: Richard Connolly, SUNY Broome President Kevin Drumm, Heather Coggin

Phi Theta Kappa award winners will be recognized at International Convention 2016 in National Harbor, MD, during the Scholars Parade in the Fourth General Session on Saturday, April 9, 2016.

THE RULES:

- Read newspaper articles of varying viewpoints between Thursday, January 1 and Tuesday, November 3, 2015.
- Select five newspaper articles with varying viewpoints on a single topic related to the Phi Theta Kappa Honors Study Topic, Frontiers and the Spirit of Exploration.
- Record the headline, byline, section name, publication date, and page number(s) for each article selected.
- Write a one-page (maximum 500 words) Case Study summary of the topic and why the topic was chosen.

- Write an essay (maximum 200 words) on the future implications of the Case Study topic.
- Pose three to five open-ended discussion questions of not more than 75 words related to the topic.
- Suggest up to six academic resources for additional study.
- Complete the <u>Honors Case Study Challenge Entry Form</u>
- Submit your entry via email to honors.programs@ptk.orgby 5:00 pm CST, Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

Challenge ends November 3, 2015!

Student Village students receive drawing lesson

March 2, 2016

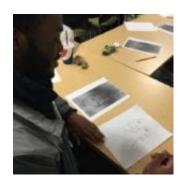
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SUNY Broome Vice President doled out the pencils recently, and spent the night teaching Student Village students how to draw.

"So much talent," she said. "It was exciting!"









Ed Evans receives the Chancellor's Award

March 2, 2016

Categories: Focus on Accomplishments

Ed Evans of SUNY Broome's Communications and Media Arts is the recipients of this year's Chancellor's Award for Excellent in Adjunct Teaching. A professional journalist whose career included jobs in Illinois, Michigan and Pennsylvania, Evans has been with SUNY Broome since September 2007.

SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm described Evans as an "engaged, enthusiastic and lively instructor who maintains rigorous academic standards." Students in his courses engage in research, presentations and discussions that both keep them engaged and allow them to practice the real-world applications of the concepts they study.

A fun fact: The soft-spoken instructor rearranges his physical classroom to ensure that every student has a front-row seat with the best possible view of the instructor and materials.

Drawing from his journalistic background, he views every class as a story, which allows him to communicate key concepts and information in a way that is relatable and memorable to students.

He also takes an interdisciplinary approach, partnering with instructors in different departments on projects. For example, following a recent prison break that made the national news, he worked with a Criminal Justice instructor to bring in Public Affairs officers from the New York State Police via Skype to speak to a combined class of Public Relations and Criminal Justice students.

Outside of the classroom, he is a member of Southern Tier Actors Read (STAR) and the Communications Association of the Southern Tier (CAST), and has given a significant number of presentations for the Heritage Lecture Series at the Chautauqua Archives. He presented his film *Early Bird: Cleveland's Al Engel and Chautauqua Lake Airmain* at the SUNY-wide Film Festival at SUNY Fredonia, his alma mater.

During the course of Evans' career, he was worked in live television and radio, newspapers, documentary production and as a stay-at-home parent before becoming an educator. He has written several books and created several documentary films, including "The White House at Chautauqua."

He is currently working on a new documentary film, "Four Presidents at Chautauqua."

Congratulations to Ed Evans for this well-deserved award!



Doctoral Colloquium presentation with Dr. Kevin Drumm Wednesday, March 9

March 1, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized

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



Wellness Challenge registration is open

March 1, 2016

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

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

To register, go to <u>broome.mywellnesschallenge.org</u> 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.

Phi Theta Kappa Holds Institute on Race, Gender and the Jury System

March 1, 2016

Categories: Uncategorized



Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society held a highly successful **Institute on Race, Gender and the Jury System** on February 26, 2016. This event followed the February 25 visit to campus by the Commissioner of Jurors for a panel discussion. Three student leaders ran today's activities under the guidance of Faculty Adviser, Professor I.J. Byrnes: Heather Coggin, Richard Connolly and Steven Burnette, each of whom is an award-winning officer in the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

The Institute on Race, Gender and the Jury System had 45 student attendees from the campus student body and an additional complement of faculty members. The Institute featured two video screenings, one jury selection exercise and numerous handouts on the jury system and Garfinkel Essay Scholarship. Students were offered food and won 20 Starbucks gift cards provided by Phi Theta Kappa's financial sponsors: Student Assembly and the President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion.

Regarding scholarly benefits, students were offered Institute certification, success tips for the Garfinkel Scholarship and the opportunity to attend a follow-up Garfinkel scholarship workshop with Professor Byrnes, of the campus' Philosophy Program, on March 11 from 1-3 p.m. If you would like to attend this workshop, please RSVP with Professor Byrnes by Noon on March 4 at the following email address: byrnesij@sunybroome.edu

Per the evaluations administered to students and faculty, the overwhelming majority of responses were positive and appreciative of the activities and materials provided at the Institute. **Teaching faculty who supported this event were**: Professor Kerry Weber; Dr. Henry Bartlett; Professor Carla Michalak, Professor I.J. Byrnes; Professor Edward Yetsko; Professor Scott Corley; Professor Kathleen McKenna. Phi Theta Kappa wishes to thank these outstanding faculty for their support of this scholarly Institute.

Scholarly materials created for students attending the Institute, which was also sponsored by the Historical Society of the New York Courts included the following 8 handouts:

Fast Facts about the Jury System

Terms to Know Regarding the Jury System

Pros and Cons of the Trial by Jury System

Benefits of Completing a Submission to the Garfinkel Essay Scholarship (for all scholarship details, go to: http://www.nycourts.gov/history/garfinkel.html)

Quotations About the Jury System

Institute on Race, Gender and the Jury System

Jury Selection Scenario

The Batson Challenge Exercise

Evaluation Form

Success Tips for 2016 Garfinkel Essay Scholarship

Check out these photos from Buzz student photographer Smithshell Julien:



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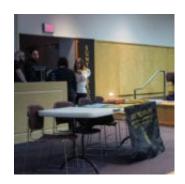
















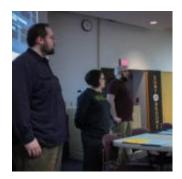














Excelsior College: Your Bachelor's Degree is Closer Than You Think!

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Finishing your Associate's degree? Want to take more classes at SUNY Broome that will transfer to your Bachelor's degree and then complete your degree online through Excelsior College?

Stop by our outreach tables to pick up materials, talk about your options, and see if this transfer option is right for you!

- 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, in the Business Building near the lounge
- 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, March 9, in the Student Center lobby
- 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, on the first floor of Titchener
- 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday, March 10, in Decker near the second floor lounge



NEON Night Run 5K will take place this summer

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The NEON Night Run 5K will take place at 9 p.m. July 22 on the Vestal Rail Trail, starting at Vestal Coal House. Proceeds will benefit the Life Choices Center.

The event also features a 1970s and '80s-themed Afterglow party with award-winning solo artist Erin Harkes, awards for top finishers and best glow costumes.

Register at Eventbrite.com; search for "Neon Night Run NY"



Ice temporarily lost at the SUNY Broome Ice Center

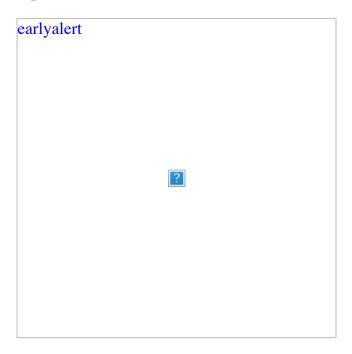
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The cooling equipment at the SUNY Broome Ice Center failed overnight, prompting the closure of the ice rink as repairs are made.

The three-year-old equipment has been regularly maintained, according to campus officials, and the failure of this nearly new unit was not expected.

With around the clock work by the ice center team, the tentative plan is to reopen by Sunday night or earlier if possible.



New through the Library: Kanopy Streaming Films

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Kanopy is a video streaming solution for colleges offering a "Netflix-like" user experience and a broad selection of over 26,000 documentaries, feature films and training videos from thousands of producers.

Touching on all topics, featured producers in Kanopy's collection include Criterion Collection, PBS, HBO, The Video Project, New Day Films, The Great Courses, California Newsreel, Kino Lorber, Media Education Foundation, First Run Features, BBC, and many more. Films can be watched from anywhere, anytime by all staff and students.

You can easily share films, create clips or teaching playlists, and embed them into the course system. We hope you enjoy the films!

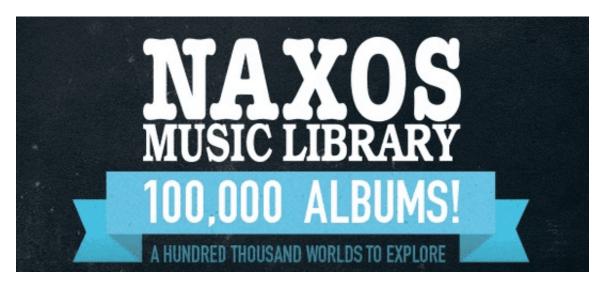
Kanopy can be accessed using this link http://sunybroome.kanopystreaming.com or ask a librarian if you need assistance.



New through the Library: NAXOS Music Library

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Naxos Music Library is the world's largest online classical music library. Currently, it offers streaming access to more than 117,880 CDs with more than 1,728,800 tracks of both standard and rare repertoire. More than 800 new CDs are added to the library every month.

To access NAXOS at SUNY Broome, click here or ask a librarian for assistance.

