

The Focus

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Revised Updated Campus Directory for 2017-2018

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Click below to access the Campus Directory for 2017-2018, updated for the Spring 2018 semester.

[Campus Directory 2017 18 \(PDF\)](#)



A drone's view of campus, courtesy of Wilson Chen

Ethics Conference registration is open! Register today

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Ty Muse, keynote speaker for the 2018 Ethics Conference

Registration for the ninth annual Ethics Conference is open! This event will take place from 3 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 23, in the Decker Health Sciences Building. This year's theme is Ethics of Education and will feature keynote speaker Ty Muse, President/CEO of Visions. His address is entitled "Education – The Great Equalizer."

Admission is free but you need to register as space is limited. You can register online at: <http://www.sunybroome.edu/web/ethics/registration> We look forward to seeing you at this year's Ethics Conference!

Academic Coffee House this Thursday, March 1

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Update of the Progress of Our Achieving Success Initiative.

Join Dr. Francis Battisti, Executive Vice-President and Chief Academic Officer, in his monthly, campus-wide discussions about academic issues that impact the College. Coffee and Tea will be served.

When: Thursday, March 1, 2018

Venue: Wales 203B

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Presenter: Dr. Francis Battisti

Register: [Register Here](#)

Eating Disorder Awareness Week: What are the signs of different eating disorders?

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The below is adapted from: <https://childmind.org/article/signs-a-college-student-may-have-an-eating-disorder/>

Weighty worries

While some weight concerns are normal, the mix of anxiety and the constant pressure to be thin can be a very dangerous mix for some. A history of serious anxiety is a strong indicator for eating disorders during college.

Dr. Baker, a child and adolescent psychiatrist, notes that if a student seems very stressed out or down and has been obsessing over losing weight, it's important to intervene.

“If she’s reporting that she’s unhappy or very anxious, and she looks very different than the last time you saw her, then it’s time to ask,” says Dr. Baker. Eating disorders include anorexia, bulimia and binge eating disorder, and each disorder has a different set of signs.

Anorexia

Anorexia is characterized by an intense fear of gaining weight. People with anorexia go to extremes, restricting food and over-exercising to prevent weight gain.

Signs that someone might be anorexic include:

Obsession with getting thinner: Constant preoccupation with gaining weight, calories, food intake or food ingredients that might be “fattening.” A general obsession with body size and weight.

Excessive exercising: This goes way beyond being a gym rat. If someone spends hours running on the treadmill to “work off” a small snack or insists on going jogging outside even when she’s sick or the weather’s bad, that may be cause for concern.

Food avoidance, hiding and lying: People with eating disorders often try to hide what’s happening from friends and family, which can make it harder to spot a problem. This might mean:

- Skipping meals or parties where eating or drinking are the main event.
- Avoiding the dining hall
- Always saying she’s had a big breakfast or is in “too much of a hurry” to eat.
- Wearing baggy clothes to hide weight loss.

A need for control: People at risk for anorexia are perfectionists and often set impossible goals for themselves, whether it’s getting straight A’s, having a super-clean room or being the president of every club on campus. When the chaos of college makes it hard to control their environment, people with anorexia try to alleviate stress and anxiety by controlling the one thing they feel in charge of—their bodies.

Serious weight loss: Losing a ton of weight, especially in a short period of time, is a sign of real danger. If someone looks painfully thin, it’s time to seek help.

Bulimia

Like anorexia, bulimia is a serious eating disorder characterized by an overpowering obsession with body image and desire to lose weight. However, it takes a very different form when it comes to signs and symptoms.

Bulimia is a cycle of bingeing—eating large amounts of food in a short period of time—and purging, which could include self-inducing vomiting, abusing laxatives or diuretics, over-exercising or a combination of all three. People with bulimia aren’t necessarily noticeably thin, which can make it harder to spot.

Signs someone might be bulimic include:

Bingeing and purging:

- Buying and hiding large amounts of food
- Hiding uneaten food or wrappers from binges
- Inventing reasons to go to the bathroom to purge—if someone is always disappearing after a meal, that’s a big tip-off.
- Bad breath, swelling under the jaw or cheeks, tooth discoloration, acid reflux, or even knuckle calluses from self-induced vomiting.

Obsessing about weight: Talking about weight and size more than is usually considered normal. Constantly comparing her body to the bodies of friends, strangers and movie stars—and always finding herself wanting.

Withdrawal from social events:

- Skipping parties where eating is important
- No longer engaging in things she used to enjoy.
- Passing on activities that interfere with the routine of bingeing and purging.

Binge eating disorder

People who struggle with binge eating disorder (BED) will frequently eat large amounts of food, but unlike a person with bulimia, they don't engage in any of the "purging" behaviors. The disorder is different from anorexia and bulimia because people with BED are not preoccupied with thinness, although they may struggle with poor self-esteem and often feel guilty and ashamed over any weight they've gained from their binges.

People with binge eating disorder may be feeling overwhelmed or out of control—they may struggle with managing stress or difficult emotions—and use food as a way to comfort themselves. Binge eating disorder is often associated with depression.

Signs that someone may have BED include:

Rapid weight gain: Binge eating leads to weight gain and can cause serious health problems including heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure and others. Kids who are binge eating may be wearing really baggy clothes to hide weight gain.

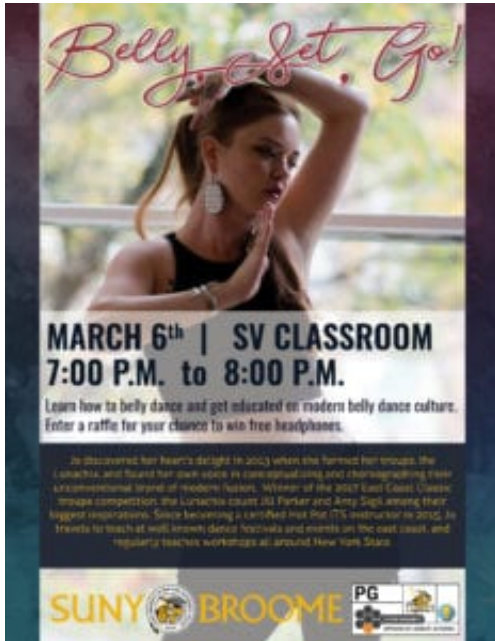
Hiding out: For people with BED, bingeing is usually done in private. If someone is making excuses to eat alone, hiding food around her room or you've notice large amounts of food missing from the dorm, it might be a sign of trouble.

Depression and withdrawal: People with BED often struggle with feelings of guilt and shame after a binge, becoming depressed and isolated which perpetuates the binge-eating cycle.

Learn how to bellydance on March 6

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Learn how to belly dance and get educated on modern belly dance culture from 7 to 8 p.m. March 6 in the Student Village classroom. Plus, enter a raffle for your chance to win free headphones!

Jo discovered her heart's delight in 2013 when she formed her troupe, the Lunachix, and found her own voice in conceptualizing and choreographing their unconventional brand of modern fusion. Winner of the 2017 East Coast Classic troupe competition, the Lunachix count Jill Parker and Amy Sigil among their biggest inspirations. Since becoming a certified Hot Pot ITS instructor in 2015, Jo travels to teach at well known dance festivals and events on the east coast, and regularly teaches workshops all around New York State.

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Women's History Month: Help paint a mural on March 8

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Students will have the opportunity to help paint a mural that will be displayed in the Student Center. This mural will be of Florence Chauncey, the first woman in Binghamton to cast a vote. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 8 in the Student Center lobby.



Women's History Month event: March 22 screening of 'Lot Lizard'

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Please join the SUNY Broome Women's Institute for a special screening of *Lot Lizard*, a documentary about truck stop sex workers, followed by a discussion with field producer and Binghamton native **Dan Livingston**. The event runs from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, March 22, in Decker 201, and will also include a reception, food and raffles.

[Women S Institute Lot Lizards \(PDF\)](#)

Meet with a TIAA Financial Consultant on March 29, April 13 or May 18

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Image of a dollar bill



TIAA financial consultant Alicia Brady will be on campus from **9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 29, April 13 or May 18, 2018, in Wales 203A.**

Register for a session to address such questions as:

- Am I invested in the right mix of investments to help meet my goals?
- Am I saving enough to create the retirement income I need?
- How do I take income from my retirement account once I stop working?

RSVP today as space is limited. Register at www.TIAA.org/schedulenow or call 800-732-8353, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (ET).

Webinar: How are other community colleges using Open Educational Resources?

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The Community College Consortium for OER is presenting 10 OER Adoption showcases next Wednesday, March 7, between 12 and 5 p.m. Ten community colleges will showcase OER programs that have significantly impacted their students access to instructional materials and given faculty the freedom to customize their instructional materials to better meet the needs of their students.

Registration: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/749dc345d1d68a867c24e00bf0acd2b8>

Schedule: <https://www.cccoer.org/webinar/oeweek-ten-oer-degree-and-adoption-showcases-at-community-colleges/>

You do not have to attend the entire webinar. A recording will be posted on the CCCOER website (<https://www.cccoer.org/2018/01/23/cccoer-spring-2018-webinars/>).

Webinar logo



Share your passion with a 60-second lecture

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We want you to share your passion with the campus community!

The 60-second lecture provides a snippet of what you enjoy or have an expertise in.

The format is extremely informal. The lecturer will have one minute to talk about his or her favorite topic. One way to think about this is as the world's shortest TED Talk. Our hope is to record each lecture and create a library (much like Penn's, which is linked below) so that they can be shared with the wider community.

The first 60-second lectures started at the University of Pennsylvania and have been popular since. You can see some of Penn's 60-second lectures at <https://www.sas.upenn.edu/60second/>.

If you're interested in finding out more, please contact Samantha Hernandez (hernandezsl@sunybroome.edu).

Free: Wooden shelving unit

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Business and Professional Services is offering a wooden unit with many adjustable shelves — free! If interested, call ext. 5008.



Banner PROD Downtime on March 2

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Banner, including INB, SSB and MyCollege SSB access, will become unavailable Friday, March 2, 2018, at 4 p.m. During this downtime, we will be migrating all Banner servers to the new ITEC Victory Technology Center (VTC). These processes require us to restrict access to our Banner environment until these tasks are completed successfully. Please sign out of all Banner related sessions by 4 p.m. March 2, or your session will be ended. We will have restored Banner access by the time offices open on Monday, March 5. If you encounter Banner issues Monday or after, please contact Scott Beekman or submit a CSR as always, depending on the issue's urgency.

We understand that this is a busy time, and have therefore made arrangements to copy our production data to our Banner TEST8 INB instance. During the downtime, Banner INB TEST8 will be available for lookup of student information and records. However, no updates should be made in the TEST8 instance, but instead held onto to be processed once PROD becomes available. You may use your existing Banner PROD INB username and password to access TEST8 INB during this time.

In addition, anyone who has access to Argos will be able to print student schedules during this time if needed using the PROD Connection by clicking the report referenced below in the Student folder in Argos.

[Photo of a hand using a computer mouse](#)



Voice students to perform at First Friday event

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Voice students from SUNY Broome's Music Program will perform musical theater selections this First Friday, March 2, at Christ Episcopal Church, [10 Henry St, Binghamton](#).

There will be two separate performances at 6:30 and 8 p.m. Students are from the studios of Brenda Dawe and Peter Sicilian, and will be accompanied by Pej Reitz and Margaret Buhl.



Time to RSVP: Kathy Ryder Scholarship Paint & Sip Night

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Paint, sip and raise funds during the Kathy Ryder Scholarship Fundraiser at 5:30 p.m. March 14!

The Lost Dog at [222 Water St Binghamton, NY](#) has generously donated their Violet Room for the event. Please plan to grab some food and beverages and support local business while you're there.

This year, the event will be painting wine glasses for \$25 a set. The event also will include 50/50 and basket raffles. RSVP to Melissa Martin at Martimm2@sunybroome.edu by March 7.

If you would like to donate a raffle basket or other items to raffle, please contact Erin O'Hara-Leslie at oharaleslieck@sunybroome.edu. To contribute directly to Kathy's scholarship, please go

to www.broomeccfoundation.org and be sure to designate in memory of the Kathy Ryder Memorial Scholarship. Or, send a check payable to the BCC Foundation and in the memo of the check, please designate it to Kathy Ryder Memorial Scholarship. Mail to: BCC Foundation PO Box 1017, Binghamton, NY 13902. If on campus, send to Mailstop #4 or go to 201 Wales.

All proceeds will benefit the Scholarship Fund.

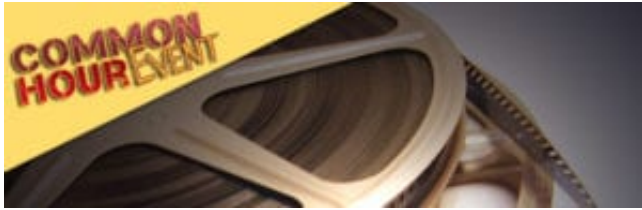
March 1 Common Hour: LGBTQ+ Representation in Japanese Animation

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LGBTQ+ representation has been present in Japanese animation since the 1990s. Our panel, from the Japanese Culture and Animation Club Executive Board, will explore standard anime titles and themes in exploring the impact on western otaku culture, as well as LGBTQ+ policy in Japan. The final 10 minutes will be reserved for a question and answer session.

The event begins at 11 a.m. March 1 in T-102.



Eating Disorder Awareness Week: On the ‘freshman 15’

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Image by Courtney Emery, via Flickr

February 25 through March 3 is National Eating Disorder Awareness Week. This is part of a series of postings on the topic brought to you by SUNY Broome Counseling Services.

Although it is widely believed that freshman in college gain significant weight and college resources should be targeted to obesity prevention, the first study of its kind finds otherwise. Using a nationally representative random survey, the researchers found that freshmen gain between 2.5 to 3.5 pounds on average. This is only a half-pound more than their same-age peers who do not attend college. (Zagorsky, 2011) Given the risks that dieting poses, especially to college students, anti-obesity campaigns on college campuses are not only unnecessary but potentially harmful. In a study of 204 female college athletes from 17 sports at three universities, 2% were classified as having an eating disorder and another 25.5% exhibited symptoms at a subclinical level. (Greenleaf, 2009)

Data from one college over a 13-year period show total eating disorders increased from 23 to 32% among females and from 7.9 to 25% among males. The percentage of students eating according to a special weight loss diet increased from 4.2% in 1995 to 22% in 2008. (White, 2011)

Adapted from:

<https://www.nationaleatingdisorders.org/sites/default/files/CollegeSurvey/CollegiateSurveyProject.pdf>

If you are concerned about a friend, family member or yourself, please reach out for help. Counseling Services is located in Student Services Building Room 210 or 778-5210. Off-campus resources include: The Nutrition Clinic ([\(877\) 752-1007](tel:8777521007))

Time to laugh: See comedian Adam Grabowski on March 1

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Comedian Adam Grabowski

Come and see comedian Adam Grabowski perform live from 7 to 8 p.m. March 1 on the Student Center cafeteria stage.

Adam is best known for his performance on *America's Got Talent*. He is also a five-time nationally-ranked Best Comedian by Campus Activities, APCA's Comic of the Year in 2017, and a two-time winner in Campus Activities Magazine's Best Comedy Act.

The first 10 people in the door will receive a Binghamton Devils Ticket. All attendees will be entered into a raffle for \$50 in gift cards to the bookstore!

[Adam Grabowski Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

Who should we welcome? March 24 community deliberation to discuss immigration

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Join us from 9 a.m. to noon March 24, 2018, at Binghamton High School for a community deliberation on immigration, sponsored by the SUNY Broome Center for Civic Engagement.

All members of the community are invited to weigh in on questions such as:

- Should we reduce the number of immigrants legally admitted into the United States each year? If so, how do we decide who should be accepted?
- How should we handle undocumented immigrants in a way that is humane, but also fair to the millions who are waiting to enter legally?
- Does the current flow of newcomers compromise our sense of national unity or instead build on a rich history of diversity?
- Does the United States have a humanitarian responsibility to take in refugees whose lives are in danger? How many can we realistically accommodate?

This conversation has been framed by the National Issues Forum Institute. Please pre-register for this event by emailing strahleyla@sunybroome.edu.

Meet and learn from the Intern Queen on Feb. 28

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Gallery reception for Spring Student Photo Show rescheduled for March 1

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Photo by Madelyn Chianis

SUNY Broome Communications Department students and faculty will host a closing reception for the Early Spring Student Photo Show in the Art Gallery in the Cecil C. Tyrell Library from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 1.

The closing had originally been scheduled for Feb. 22, but was postponed due to inclement weather.

All are welcome to stop in and view an excellent array of student photographs taken with both 35 mm film and digital format cameras. This is the first of two photography exhibits being sponsored by the Communications Department this semester.

#MeToo: A Guided Dialogue on March 8

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Please join Haley Murphy, Confidential Advocate from Crime Victims Assistance Center, to discuss the #MeToo & Time's Up movements happening in the media and across the nation.

The event runs from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Thursday, March 8, in Decker 201. Voice your opinions, convictions and reactions during this guided conversation about the national condemning of sexual misconduct and what this means for the world we live in.

[Metoocommonhour \(PDF\)](#)

Buzz photos: 2018 Polar Plunge

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Couldn't make the Polar Plunge? You can still be there virtually with our photo gallery!



Art exhibit ‘triple play’ at March 2 First Friday

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Join SUNY Broome Visual Communications Associate Professor Patricia Evans for a triple-play exhibition series this First Friday, March 2, in downtown Binghamton.

Faces: Women Suffragists will be exhibited at two locations, with an opening reception of 6 to 9 p.m. March 2 at both venues. The exhibits showcase classical realist life-size portrait drawings of iconic suffragists throughout history rendered in charcoal, pencil and mixed media. They were created by Evans' Beginning Drawing students, and are accompanied by historical photos and life stories.

Faces: Women Suffragists will be at **the Broome County Arts Council** at 81 State Street, Suite 501, through March 28; hours outside of First Friday are Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The exhibit will be at **Christ Church** at 10 Henry Street through Sunday, March 4.

An opening reception of Faces: The Holocaust will run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. First Friday, March 2, in the lobby of **5 Riverside Drive**. The show continues through April 28. Portraits represent survivors and non-survivors of the Holocaust, rendered in charcoal, pencil and mixed media.

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



Batter up: Baseball players needed

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The men's baseball team is looking for anyone interested in playing for the SUNY Broome baseball team this spring.

Please contact head coach Tyler Santos at tyler.santos24@yahoo.com or call 607-624-3106 if interested. You may also stop by the Athletic Office, located in the Student Center Room 101, for information.



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On-campus construction activities for the week of Feb. 26

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NOTE: A Civil War-era map has been mounted (and lighted) on the first floor corridor in the east end of Titchener. Please take some time to check this out! The map was donated by Professor Doug Garnar.

- Reconstruction of the restroom in the Student Center women's locker room has begun and will continue throughout this week.
- Masonry work for the new elevator in the Calice Center will begin this week.
- Window installation throughout Calice continues.
- The interior brick wall on the south side of the Connector is nearly complete.
- Ceiling grid and interior light installation continues.
- The remaining demolition (old roof and steel) in the vicinity of the pedestrian Connector bridge will take place this week.
- Slab preparation (subbase) for the radiant floor in the Connector will start later this week.
- Tile work in the bathrooms continues.
- Installation of new pumps/VFDs in the boiler room of Calice will take place this week.

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



Eating Disorder Awareness Week: Eating disorders by the numbers

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February 25 through March 3 is National Eating Disorder Awareness Week. This is part of a series of postings on the topic brought to you by SUNY Broome Counseling Services.

Eating disorders such as anorexia, bulimia and binge eating are not a choice. They are serious mental illnesses that can have devastating impacts. These are some common statistics about eating disorders around which we base much of our community education and outreach.

- Eating Disorders affect up to 30 million Americans and 70 million
- 1 in 5 women struggles with an eating disorder or disordered eating.
- Middle-aged women are the fastest growing segment of the population being diagnosed with eating disorders
- Bullying about body size and appearance is the most common form of bullying in schools.
- The most common behavior that precedes and predicts an eating disorder is dieting.
- 42% of first through third grade girls want to be thinner.
- Men constitute 40% of those exhibiting Binge Eating Disorder.
- Girls who diet frequently are 12 times as likely to binge as girls who don't diet.
- 25% of American men and 45% of American women are on a diet on any given day.
- Americans spend over \$40 billion on dieting and diet-related products each year.
- Four out of ten individuals have either personally experienced an eating disorder or know someone who has.
- 81% of ten year-olds are afraid of being fat.

Adapted from: <http://emilyprogramfoundation.org/our-work/eating-disorders/stats-about-eating-disorders/>

If you are concerned about a friend, family member or yourself, please reach out for help. Counseling Services is located in Student Services Building Room 210 or 778-5210. Off campus resources include: The Nutrition Clinic [\(877\) 752-1007](tel:8777521007)

March 7 film screening: ‘A Question of Silence’

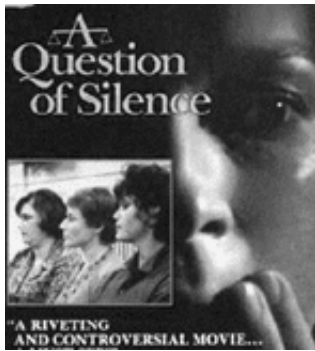
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Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 1982 Dutch film “A Question of Silence,” directed by Marleen Gorris.

Three women, strangers to each other, meet in a dress boutique and beat the shop proprietor to death. Other female shoppers ignore the whole situation and leave when the crime is complete. The court-appointed female psychiatrist who examine the women comes up with a unique defense.

Part of PTK’s International Film Series, the film starts at 7 p.m. March 7 in TH 101.



Feb. 26 Public Deliberation: How Do We Achieve Diversity at SUNY Broome?

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Come and engage in a public deliberation from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Feb. 26 in the Student Village classroom, as we discuss how to achieve diversity at SUNY Broome.

A deliberation will have you engage with tough ideas by discussing various pros and cons, rather than simply debating a point to “win.” You’ll work together toward creating potential solutions.

All attending will be entered into a raffle to win a Bluetooth Speaker!



The Monday Poem: ‘Juneau Spring’ by Dorianne Laux

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

Juneau Spring

DORIANNE LAUX

MARCH 1, 2007

In Alaska I slept in a bed on stilts, one arm
pressed against the ice feathered window,
the heat on high, sweat darkening the collar
of my cotton thermals. I worked hard to buy that bed,
walked towards it when the men in the booths
were finished crushing hundred dollar bills
into my hand, pitchers of beer balanced on my shoulder
set down like pots of gold. My shift ended at 5 a.m.:
station tables wiped clean, salt and peppers
replenished, ketchups married. I walked the dirt road
in my stained apron and snow boots, wool scarf,
second-hand gloves, steam rising
off the backs of horses wading chest deep in fog.
I walked home slow under Orion, his starry belt
hung heavy beneath the cold carved moon.
My room was still, quiet, squares of starlight
set down like blank pages on the yellow quilt.
I left the heat on because I could afford it, the house
hot as a sauna, and shed my sweater, my skirt,
toed off my boots, slung my damp socks
over the oil heater's coils. I don't know now
why I ever left. I slept like the dead
while outside my window the sun rose
low over the glacier, and the glacier did its best
to hold on, though one morning I woke to hear it
giving up, sloughing off a chunk of antediluvian ice
that sounded like the door to heaven opening
on a badly hung hinge. Those undefined days
I stared into the blue scar where the ice
had been, so clear and crystalline it hurt. I slept
in my small room and all night — or what passed for night
that far north — the geography of the world
outside my window was breaking, changing shape.
And I woke to it and looked at it and didn't speak.



About this poem:

Dorianne Laux: Concerning the book (The Book of Men) this poem appears in: It all seems of a piece to me. The first section is devoted primarily to the men alluded to in the title: men from my past, the man on the street, famous men, men of myth, men who have influenced me, the heroes and anti-heroes of my life and imagination. Vietnam and the Iraq war collide in one poem, locales shift between the west coast and the east, poems of youth and age. But mostly these are poems that spring, as usual, from my very ordinary days.

Eating Disorder Awareness Week: What fuels eating disorders?

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U.S. Air Force illustration

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Eating disorders are complex conditions that arise from a combination of long-standing behavioral, biological, emotional, psychological, interpersonal and social factors.

While eating disorders may begin with preoccupations with food and weight, they are most often about much more than food. People with eating disorders often use food and the control of food in an attempt to compensate for feelings and emotions that may otherwise seem overwhelming. For some, dieting, bingeing and purging may begin as a way to cope with painful emotions and to feel in control of one's life, but ultimately, these behaviors will damage a person's physical and emotional health, self-esteem and sense of competence and control. However, with appropriate treatment, people do recover from eating disorders and go on to live healthy, fulfilling lives.

Black History Month at SUNY Broome: Martha Fenty

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Professor Martha Fenty, in a 1984 photo in *The Evening Press*

This post is part of a Black History Month series on SUNY Broome students, faculty and staff of color, who have been a valued part of the campus community since the college's founding in 1946.

For two decades, Professor Martha Fenty shaped students' lives at SUNY Broome, then known as BCC.

She developed her love of literature and her appreciation for the power of education early in life. In a 1984 article in *The Evening Press*, she remembered listening to her grandfather recite works of literature word for word. A native of Atlantic City, Fenty came from a long line of educators; her uncle was the first black principal in the city, while her father worked as an assistant principal and her aunt as a teacher.

"They instilled me with confidence and taught me a black person could never be suppressed if he or she was educated," she told reporter Darren Dopp.

Fenty earned a bachelor's degree in English at Fisk University, a historically black university in Nashville, and later her master's degree in English from Binghamton University.

She began her career as a teacher in her hometown, moving to Endicott after marrying her husband David. One of the first black teachers in the Union-Endicott school district in the 1960s, she continued her teaching career at SUNY Broome, where she spent 20 years before retiring in 2001.

She started Broome's first African-American literature course, and led students to conquer their fears in her public speaking class. Outside of the classroom, she developed and presented a pair of one-woman shows that drew on her love of African-American poetry.

With a talent for theater, Professor Fenty also starred in other local productions, such as Ntozake Shange's *For Colored Girls who have Considered Suicide when the Rainbow is Enuf*, and directed the BCC Verse Choir in a performance with the Fisk Jubilee Singers. She gave inspirational speeches at community events,

such as a Martin Luther King Jr. Day service in Owego, and taught local children African folklore at the Discovery Center of the Southern Tier.

With a zest for life, she pursued many other areas of interest as well, playing both the cello and the piano, gardening and aiding numerous community organizations.

She passed away in 2007 at the age of 69.

‘This Body is Mine’: Join us for a discussion on eating disorders

March 1

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Join us for “This Body Is Mine,” a powerful discussion on eating disorders with Alexis Katchuk from 11 to 11:50 a.m. March 1 in Decker 201.

Alexis writes: “Eating disorders and recovery, the physical body obviously comes up—and one of the most difficult things for me was to not only accept this body as my own, but also to appreciate this body and then, finally, love this body. I had to be comfortable in my own skin, I guess. And we see in most media that we should be striving to change our bodies, and we see in the media that we’re supposed to change ourselves. We are told that we are not good enough as we are. With social media and advertising pulling even more power in the society, being okay with who you are is becoming more difficult.”

This event is sponsored by Counseling Services. For more information, please contact Melissa Martin at 778-5210.



Can you tell what's real and what's fake? Find out and win prizes on Feb. 27

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Image: Jon S, via Flickr

Can you tell real news from fake news? Use critical thinking and win real prizes! This game show-style event from **11 a.m. to noon Feb. 27 in Decker 117** will give attendees tools and tips to determine what's fake and what isn't.

This event is brought to campus by The Democracy Commitment, the President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion, and Student Activities.

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Black History Month Guest Speaker: Dr. Ibram X. Kendi Comes to Campus Feb. 27

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Dr. Ibram X. Kendi

Dr. Ibram X. Kendi Presents: How to be an Antiracist

The President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion, in co-sponsorship with the Office of the President, the Office of the Vice President for Student Development and Chief Diversity Officer and the Office of the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, proudly presents SUNY Broome's **Black History Month** guest speaker, **Dr. Ibram X. Kendi**.

Tuesday February 27, 2018 * 6 p.m. * Decker 201 *

Register here: <https://sunybroome.wufoo.com/forms/mk51pne1wju3sp/>

When the first Black president headed into the White House, Americans were imagining their nation as colorblind and went so far as to call it post-racial. With the arrival of Donald Trump many people are awakening and seeing racial reality for the first time. With opened minds, people are actively trying to understand racism. In this deeply personal and empowering lecture, Kendi shifts the discussion from how not to be racist to how to be an antiracist. He shares his own racist ideas and how to overcome them. He provides direction to people and institutions who want more than just band-aid programs, but actual antiracist action that builds an antiracist america.

This event is open to the campus and community by registration only

Lifesaver: Ivy League Hornet earns a second degree from SUNY Broome while preparing for med school

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Adam Hatala

You really don't want to run into Adam Hatala during one of his 24-hour shifts.

He's a consummate professional – caring, well-trained and dedicated to his job, and bursting with an infectious energy and enthusiasm. As a flight paramedic for Air Methods – an emergency air transportation company that facilitates life flights – Adam is the face people see on their very worst days, if they're conscious enough to see a face at all.

“The ability to give back to the community is very important to me. You haven't really lived until you've given something to someone who can't give anything to you,” said Hatala, who graduated with degrees from both SUNY Broome and Cornell University.

That's right – this flight paramedic is an Ivy League Hornet and will one day carry the title doctor. Adam loves to learn new things, and is a firm believer in the importance of grit and the drive for success – all excellent qualities for a person who may someday save your life.

“If I didn't have Broome for my initial steps, I wouldn't have gone to Cornell,” he said.

His journey began at SUNY Broome, where he took courses in the Emergency Medical Technology/Paramedic degree program before completing an Associate's degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences. He didn't take a semester off, opting for classes during the winter and summer terms in addition to the two main semesters.

A 2012 Union-Endicott graduate, he made the President's List during his Hornet days, joined the Phi Theta Kappa honor society and was named the New York State Chemistry Student of the Year. With a few friends, he re-ignited the campus Chemistry Club, drawing 35 participants during its first year, and tutored fellow students in the Learning Assistance Department.

After graduating, he went on to Cornell, where he earned his bachelor's degree in Biological Science with a concentration in human nutrition, minoring in education. He explored research, too, and became the first-named author on a paper published in a scholarly journal. The topic: reproductive fitness for male mosquitoes

– a subject that impacts healthcare, because the genetically modified male mosquitoes that were engineered to decrease the prevalence of tropical diseases often fail to mate, Hatala explained.

He graduated from Cornell in spring 2017 – and then transferred credits back to SUNY Broome in a process known as reverse transfer. As a result, this semester he will earn his Associate in Applied Science degree in [Emergency Medical technology/Paramedic](#), ending up with two Associate’s degrees and the bachelor’s from Cornell.

He appreciates the small class sizes at SUNY Broome and the availability of his professors. He joked that he kept a cot in the office of Dr. Daniel Brennan, his chemistry professor.

“Anytime I would need help, he would always have his door open. You don’t get that at a big institution,” he said.

At many universities, faculty are primarily focused on research. While that has its benefits, so does SUNY Broome’s approach, which focuses primarily on student instruction and the curriculum, Hatala noted.

“There’s a stigma that community colleges are extensions of high school. That’s the biggest crock I’ve ever heard,” Adam said. “Broome’s academic level is on par with Cornell — the expectations, the assignments, the rigor. And 100 percent of my credits transferred! I got two years out of the way. Why spend \$60-grand?”

The future Dr. Hatala

Adam fell in love with medicine at a young age and joined a local ambulance agency to both hone his lifesaving skills and aid his community.

He still volunteers as a paramedic with the Town of Union Ambulance Squad, when he’s not on one of his 24-hour shifts with Air Methods or working part-time for Superior Ambulance in Binghamton. He is also applying to medical school and studying for the Medical College Admission Test in preparation.

He’s not sure exactly what part of medicine will draw him in the end. It’s a huge field and he finds all of the body’s systems to be fascinating, especially the heart, the brain and pediatric care.

A go-getter by nature, he is looking even beyond his medical career – to the distant day when he decides to pursue a new dream. He has always wanted to earn a Ph.D., he mused. And after that: Teaching? Research? The sky’s the limit.

Right now, as he prepares for his medical career, he remains focused on saving lives. Flight paramedics can bear witness to many terrible situations, but can’t let their emotions get to them. In the end, “you have a job to do,” Hatala said.

“I thrive on what I do. My coworkers are the best trained in the entire room,” he said. “Monotony is not my middle name. I need something new every day.”

All in the Family: SUNY Broome's Nursing program shaped a family healthcare tradition

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Left to right: Rob Mack, Celeste Pazzaglini-Mack, Lisa Mack, Anne Rounds, Joe Mack

Thanksgiving with the Mack family can get a little technical, in the medical sense.

That's understandable, when you consider that five of them – siblings Rob Mack, Joe Mack and Anne Rounds, and sisters-in-law Lisa Mack and Celeste Pazzaglini-Mack – are all SUNY Broome nursing graduates with decades in the field. The next generation of Macks is also heavily involved in healthcare, with more nurses, pharmacists, x-ray technicians and more than you could shake a stethoscope at.

The first generation blazed the trail at what was then called BCC, with Anne graduating first in 1975, Joe in 1976, Rob with a Liberal Arts degree in 1977 and a nursing degree in 1979, Rob's wife Celeste in 1979, and Lisa – married to brother James Mack — in 1983.

“In those days, there was a huge waiting list to get into nursing school,” remembered Rob – a scenario familiar to the many students trying to enroll in SUNY Broome's competitive nursing program even today.

Campus was different, then, with fewer buildings. The Decker Health Sciences Building didn't take shape until the 1990s and so the Macks took many of their nursing courses in 901 Front Street, which has since been demolished to make way for the Student Village.

Nursing, then as now, was a tough program – but the Hornets still had time for fun. The college had a bar then (the drinking age was still 18) and the family remembers the mixers, complete with bands. Spring Fling, which drew the campus community together for one great party. The days when Anne raised her pompoms as a cheerleader and chanted herself hoarse. The day after Labor Day in 1975, the first day of classes, when Rob met his future wife Celeste.

The Macks also remember their inspiring professors: Rick Firenze, who still teaches at SUNY Broome, and Executive Vice President Francis Battisti, who is returning to the classroom this fall. And who could forget Professor Elliott Reitz?

“Great guy,” Rob Mack said. “He used to throw the best nursing parties!”

Family ties

The Mack family had a somewhat unusual introduction to the medical field. Their father worked as a barber for the Greater Binghamton Health Center, back when it was a psychiatric hospital with more than 3,000 patients on its vast grounds – with dormitories, facilities galore and even its own operating room.

He took his children to work with him sometimes and they fondly remember the kindness of the workers there, and the patients themselves. When it came time to contemplate the future, healthcare – and nursing in particular – seemed a familiar option.

“He wanted his kids to go to college, even though he did not,” Anne said of their father, who passed away during Rob’s senior year of high school. Rob remembered the care his father received and that, too, influenced his decision to become a nurse.

Back when Joe and Rob entered the field, few men worked in the profession, traditionally considered a female enclave, Joe acknowledged.

Joe Mack became a psychiatric nurse, working at the Greater Binghamton Health Center (formerly called the Psychiatric Center) and then the Glendale center for more than 38 years in a variety of capacities. He credited Professor Charles Kroll, who taught psychology at SUNY Broome, for contributing to his interest in psychiatric care.

Anne Rounds started off at Oneonta’s A.O. Fox Hospital, and then transferred after six months to UHS Wilson Medical Center, where spent 36 years doing emergency care. Lisa’s career took her to Lourdes Hospital, where she worked for a variety of departments before landing in ambulatory surgery, where she has worked for nearly 30 years.

Celeste began at Binghamton General Hospital before it became part of the UHS system, and worked as a private duty nurse for George F. Johnson’s daughter. She spent 38 years at Binghamton General and is now the Stay Healthy Center’s team leader in the Oakdale Mall.

Rob’s path took him both in and out of the field. He started off as a critical care nurse for 10 years, but then left nursing for 25 years to work in the business and financial services sector. Five years ago, the two threads of his career combined; he currently works in business development for UHS Business Direct.

“That’s the beauty of nursing: You can move around from department to department and never leave an organization,” Celeste said. “From patient care to education, the sky is the limit.”

[Click here to learn about our 50th anniversary of nursing event on April 28.](#)

Celebrate STEM: Engineering Week Open House showcases student projects, local employers

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SUNY Broome students explain the Green van project and show voltage readouts from the school's solar panels.

During the summer, Engineering Science major Brandon McCreary kept busy — by printing and assembling his own remote-controlled airplane.

For about \$20 worth of materials, he used his own 3-D printer to print the panels that make up the device, and then wired it and programmed the controller. All told, it took about 100 hours of printing. It's not the first thing he has built, either; he also assembled the 3-D printer itself.

The project was more than a fun hobby: It was a way to prove his engineering skills to potential employers — and helped him land an internship at Lockheed Martin.

“It's really important not just to study engineering, but to *do* engineering,” McCreary explained during SUNY Broome's second annual STEM/Engineering Open House, where his project was on display. He plans to transfer to Binghamton University this fall to study mechanical engineering, and then earn a master's degree in business.



Students talk with local employers during the STEM/Engineering Open House.

The open house featured local companies, including Raymond Corp., Amphenol, BAE Systems, Lockheed Martin and Delta Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors. In addition to interactive displays, the employers talked to students about job and internship opportunities, encouraging them to send their resumes along.

BAE Systems also brought its electric bus, which was on display next to SUNY Broome's Green Van. The projects are actually linked: The Green Van uses the same batteries as the electric bus, which were donated by BAE Systems.

SUNY Broome's IEEE student club took the broken and retired electric utility van, transforming it into a highly efficient racing machine thataced [the Toyota Green Grand Prix](#) at Watkins Glen International Raceway last year. The team — including driver and computer science major Mike DiGiacomo — will compete at the event again on April 13.



Engineering Brandon McCreary used a #-D printer to make his own remote-controlled airplane.

“Our big goal this year is to use full solar power,” DiGiacomo explained to visitors at the STEM open house.

While the van already has a solar panel on the roof, the team will charge the batteries using the solar panels installed on the Applied Technologies Building before they leave for the competition. DiGiacomo demonstrated to visitors a panel reading the current voltages of the AT solar collectors — a bit low on a gray, rainy day.



The BAE Systems electric bus next to SUNY
Broome's Green Van

Creating a Culture of Literacy: SUNY Broome's Center for Civic Engagement launches The Literacy Legacy Project

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SUNY Broome Community College's Center for Civic Engagement announces the creation of The Literacy Legacy Project of Broome County, aims to work with the community to develop and foster high quality early learning and literacy experiences for all children in the county.

"We know that change happens best close to where families live their lives, through trusting relationships and networks in the community. Therefore, we are committed to working with the community to promote literacy awareness and engagement," said SUNY Broome Professor Lisa Strahley, who has developed the program.

The mission of the Literacy Legacy Project is to promote, inspire and support a culture of talking and reading to young children as part of everyday life in families and communities. The program will share high-quality resources and models to ensure that all children in Broome County are surrounded by an abundance of literacy-rich experiences, beginning at birth. In short, adults will be encouraged to talk, sing, read and play with their children every day.

In partnership with The Children's Reading Connection and with the generous support from Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo, County Executive Jason Garnar and BAE Systems, this vision is becoming a reality.

STAY TUNED! Thanks to early sponsors, programs such *Baby's First Book*, *The Preschool Book* and *Welcome to Kindergarten* will be launching over the next few months. Each of these programs will help deliver the message to all families that early language experiences on the laps of loved ones are how children's brains are nourished, and also provide every young child in Broome County with their own book.

The Literacy Legacy Project is launching Talk It Up on April 26, 2018, as part of a multi-community reading of the book *Thirty Million Words: Building a Child's Brain* by Dana Suskind. Talk It Up was developed by the Children's Reading Connection founder, Brigid Hubberman.

To learn more about the Literacy Legacy Project of Broome County, visit www.sunybroome.edu/literacylegacy

Freezing for a cause: Polar Plunge raises scholarship funds

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The first jumper enters the water at the Polar Plunge

Local law enforcement officers took a chilly dip for a cause during SUNY Broome's fifth annual Polar Plunge, held Feb. 22.

In addition to law enforcement, SUNY Broome student Andrew Kinner and Criminal Justice faculty member Leigh Morrissey took a dip in the ice-cold pool of water, as snowflakes fell all around. The longer participants stayed in, the more money they raised for the Wes Warren Memorial Scholarship Fund, which aids students majoring in criminal justice.



And then there were three in the water at the Polar Plunge!

Hospitality Programs students did a wonderful job running the event!



Participants agree: That water is c-c-c-cold



The final four in the pool



Making a dramatic entrance worthy of an Olympic diver....



Professor Leigh Morrissey checks in for the Polar Plunge with SUNY Broome Hospitality students.

Special meeting scheduled for the Board of Trustees

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The Board of Trustees of SUNY Broome Community College has scheduled the following Special Meeting of the Board for the month of February:

- A Special Meeting of the Board has been called by Chairperson Marc Newman for Wednesday, February 28, 2018 ,at 9 a.m. to be held in room D117, of the Decker Health Science Building.

Purpose:

Preferred Agenda Action Items

- Recommend Approval of Resolution Recommending Candidates for Term Appointment
- Recommend Approval of Resolution Recommending Candidates for Continuing Appointment
- Recommend Approval of Resolution for New Position Description – Environmental, Health and Safety Coordinator
- Recommend Approval of Resolution for Revised Position Description – Assistant Director of Security and Health

Action Items

- Recommend Approval of Resolution for Chemical Dependency Counseling Certificate Program
- Recommend Approval of Resolution for Computer Science Game Programming A.S. Program
- Recommend Approval to Award Prime Contracts for Bid #2018-05 for the Carnegie Downtown Campus Project Conditioned upon Completion of the Legal Documents and Due Diligence Review Process for the Tax Credit Financing Transaction Expected to Close by March 30, 2018

All meeting sites are on the SUNY Broome campus and the meetings are open to the press and public.

Fall 2018 schedule planning has begun for Liberal Arts students!

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Get a jump start on next semester's scheduling by meeting with an advisor for educational planning. Liberal Arts students in the following degree programs — ARTS, HSAS, ISAS, ISAT, LAAA, LACM and LAGT — are encouraged to be advised, plan your coursework and get your PIN before registration opens on March 26.

Liberal Arts students, call (607) 778-5421 to schedule appointments.

[Academic Advising Illustration](#)



Fall 2018 schedule planning has begun for Health Studies students!

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Get a jump start on next semester's scheduling by meeting with an advisor for educational planning. All Health Studies students are encouraged to be advised, plan your coursework, and get your PIN before registration opens on March 26.

Health Studies students call (607) 778-5210 to schedule appointments.

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Have a heart: Join the Southern Tier Heart Walk on April 8 right here on campus!

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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 8, at 10 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 \$5000 goal.

To sign up, go to www.southerntierheartwalk.org , follow the path: Register to Walk, Join a Team or Start a Team, Returning Participant or User Log in, continue to follow prompts. **To create your own SUNY Broome team please name it using SUNY Broome in the title such as (SUNY Broome- Medical Assisting)** so that all proceeds fall under the SUNY Broome team as a whole. If you need assistance setting up a team, please contact Deena Price at pricedm@sunybroome.edu.

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 [Field of Heart Form](#) Field of Hearts Form and we will do it for you!) please contact Deena at pricedm@sunybroome.edu.

Gallery reception for Spring Student Photo Show rescheduled for March 1

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Photo by Madelyn Chianis

SUNY Broome Communications Department students and faculty will host a closing reception for the Early Spring Student Photo Show in the Art Gallery in the Cecil C. Tyrell Library from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 1.

The closing had originally been scheduled for Feb. 22, but was postponed due to inclement weather.

All are welcome to stop in and view an excellent array of student photographs taken with both 35 mm film and digital format cameras. This is the first of two photography exhibits being sponsored by the Communications Department this semester.

Black History Month at SUNY Broome: Ben Clarke

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Ben Clarke from a 1950 newspaper article

This post is part of a Black History Month series on SUNY Broome students, faculty and staff of color, who have been a valued part of the campus community since the college's founding in 1946.

Blazing speed, State Tech lightning: These were some of the terms local newspapers used to describe Ben Clarke, an indelible part of Hornets basketball history.

A graduate of Binghamton North High School where he played multiple sports, Clarke attended SUNY Broome only a few years after its 1946 founding, back when it was referred to as "State Tech." He was a frequent sight on newspaper sports pages.

"Ebony-skinned Ben Clarke led State Tech to the win, dropping in 22 points," the *Binghamton Press* reported in February 1950. In 1950, the *Sunday Press* named him Basketball Player of the Year.

He received the same designation a year later from the *Binghamton Press*, after he led the Hornets to their fourth straight Empire State Conference championship. "Clarke was an inspiration to his teammates and scored many of his baskets at key points in crucial games," reporter Charley Peet wrote.

After graduating from State Tech in 1951 with a degree in Technical Office, Clarke went on to attend Hartwick College, where he was one of the first African-American male students.

During his time at Hartwick, he pledged to the local chapter of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity – despite the fact that the national organization forbade the admission of black students. When the national organization refused to recognize him, the Hartwick chapter left their newly purchased house and returned to its original Alpha Delta Omega designation to keep Clarke as a member, according to the fraternity's Facebook page.

"The time spent as PSK, and the events surrounding the pledging of Ben Clarke have left an indelible imprint on the fraternity, and the principled stand of the brothers of the 1950s is remembered and honored by the

brotherhood as one of our proudest moments to this day,” ADO wrote.

March 1 Common Hour: LGBTQ+ Representation in Japanese Animation

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LGBTQ+ representation has been present in Japanese animation since the 1990s. Our panel, from the Japanese Culture and Animation Club Executive Board, will explore standard anime titles and themes in exploring the impact on western otaku culture, as well as LGBTQ+ policy in Japan. The final 10 minutes will be reserved for a question and answer session.

The event begins at 11 a.m. March 1 in T-102.



Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair to be held March 17: Judges Needed

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The 16th annual Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair will be held at SUNY Broome from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 17, 2018.

The Southern Tier Scholastic Science Fair is dedicated to encouraging our region's fifth through 12th grade students to pursue scientific and technological inquiries through individual or two-member team science projects. Co-sponsored by SUNY Broome, Lockheed Martin, IBM 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 STEM educators and professionals in our community, be considered for more than \$2,000 in awards and prizes donated by local businesses and organizations, and enjoy a pizza lunch.

This year, faculty from the Health Sciences Division of SUNY Broome will conduct morning workshops on vitals signs, CPR, dental cavities, germs, and the virtual Anatomage table. In the afternoon, instructors from BT-BOCES will provide an interactive stage show on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities and events in our community.

Family and friends are welcome to attend our awards ceremony, which is scheduled to start around 2 p.m. in the Baldwin Gym.

The Fair Committee is looking for dedicated STEM educators and professionals to serve as judges. Judging is a half day commitment (8:30am to 1pm) and we provide breakfast treats and lunch for judging volunteers.

For more information, please visit <http://www.bccsciencefair.wordpress.com> or call Phyllis O'Donnell at 778-5669.

Time to laugh: See comedian Adam Grabowski on March 1

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Comedian Adam Grabowski

Come and see comedian Adam Grabowski perform live from 7 to 8 p.m. March 1 on the Student Center cafeteria stage.

Adam is best known for his performance on *America's Got Talent*. He is also a five-time nationally-ranked Best Comedian by Campus Activities, APCA's Comic of the Year in 2017, and a two-time winner in Campus Activities Magazine's Best Comedy Act.

The first 10 people in the door will receive a Binghamton Devils Ticket. All attendees will be entered into a raffle for \$50 in gift cards to the bookstore!

[Adam Grabowski Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

Your Voice Matters for Faculty and Staff on Feb. 27

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Join us for the faculty and staff edition of Your Voice Matters from 11 a.m. to noon Feb. 27 in D-201.

This is a forum for faculty and staff to express concerns and make suggestions about major issues that affect our campus. There will also be the option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the Shared Governance website prior to the forum.

Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.

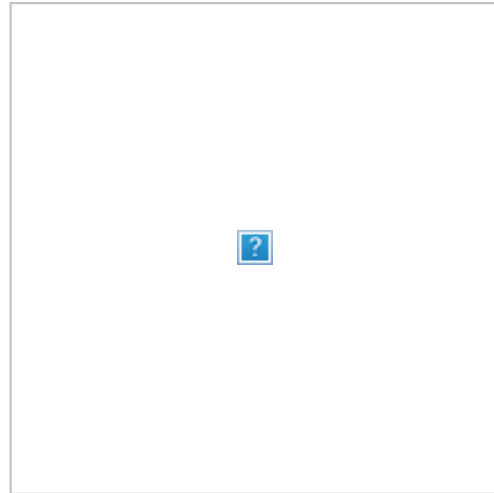
[Your Voice Matters for faculty and staff only](#)



Calling all writers and artists: Breaking Ground deadline extended to March 26

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Transformations

Call for Submissions

Breaking Ground 2018

SUNY Broome Literary Magazine

Send us your best original poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction, memoirs, artwork, photography or graphic stories for our annual theme issue. As with past issues, the only criteria are vividness, vitality, depth of thought and expression and, above all, excellence. Open to all SUNY Broome students, faculty, staff and alumni. The theme of the 2018 issue is transformation in all its permutations, which might include transcendence, migration, metamorphosis, and transmigration.

Reading and Submission Period:

September 1, 2017 to March 26, 2018

For submission guidelines,

and to submit your creative work go to:

<http://www2.sunybroome.edu/english/breakingground/>

#MeToo: A Guided Dialogue rescheduled for March 8

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Please join Haley Murphy, Confidential Advocate from Crime Victims Assistance Center, to discuss the #MeToo & Time's Up movements happening in the media and across the nation.

The event runs from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Thursday, March 8, in Decker 201. Voice your opinions, convictions and reactions during this guided conversation about the national condemning of sexual misconduct and what this means for the world we live in.

This event was originally scheduled for Feb. 22 but postponed due to weather.

[Metoocommonhour \(PDF\)](#)

Active shooting training now available to individual departments

February 21, 2018

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Investigator Marie Finelli from the Office of Public Safety is offering individualized department training centered on the topic of active shooters.

She will come to your department and work spaces to discuss active shooter events, how to prevent them and what to do if an event unfolds.

If you are interested in this training, please contact her at finellime@sunybroome.edu to arrange a date and time.



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

February 21, 2018

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

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

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

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

Everyone is welcome to participate: corporations, businesses, schools, clubs, teams, individuals, groups,



families and friends! Start your fundraising team today.

[2018 Bing Hw Fact Sheet Final \(PDF\)](#)

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

In the Community: Shoe collection drive

February 21, 2018

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The public is invited to participate in a shoe collection drive to raise funds for Nimmonsburg United Methodist Church. Donations of gently worn, used and new shoes are being accepted through April 30. All donated shoes will be distributed to people in impoverished nations to help those who are less fortunate become self-sufficient and make a difference in their lives.

The shoe collection box is located outside the church front door at 918 Upper Front Street, across the street from the college, or call 724-5421 to have shoes picked up.



Apply now: Scholarship deadline extended to March 2

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The Broome Community College Foundation has scholarships available to fit all needs but to be considered, students must apply!

Little-known facts about scholarships:

- Each year, the BCC Foundation awards more than \$1,000,000 in scholarships to incoming and continuing students.
- There are more than 200 scholarships that cover dozens of majors.
- Award amounts range from \$500 to full scholarships.

Don't miss your chance! To apply for scholarships and for additional information please visit:

<https://mycollege.sunybroome.edu/web/www/available-scholarships-for-students>

Who should we welcome? March 24 community deliberation to discuss immigration

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Join us from 9 a.m. to noon March 24, 2018, at Binghamton High School for a community deliberation on immigration, sponsored by the SUNY Broome Center for Civic Engagement.

All members of the community are invited to weigh in on questions such as:

- Should we reduce the number of immigrants legally admitted into the United States each year? If so, how do we decide who should be accepted?
- How should we handle undocumented immigrants in a way that is humane, but also fair to the millions who are waiting to enter legally?
- Does the current flow of newcomers compromise our sense of national unity or instead build on a rich history of diversity?
- Does the United States have a humanitarian responsibility to take in refugees whose lives are in danger? How many can we realistically accommodate?

This conversation has been framed by the National Issues Forum Institute. Please pre-register for this event by emailing strahleyla@sunybroome.edu.

Your Voice Matters for Faculty & Staff on Feb. 27

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Your Voice Matters for faculty and staff only



Join us at 11 a.m. Feb. 27 in Decker 201 for Your Voice Matters.

This is a forum for faculty and staff to express concerns and make suggestions about major issues that affect our campus. There is also an option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the SG website: <http://www2.sunybroome.edu/shared-governance/submit-an-issue/>

Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.

HOT TOPIC ISSUES:

- Workplace Bullying
- Intimidation and threats
- Abuse of power
- Campus spaces
- Gender-neutral restrooms

[Your Voice Matters 2018 Staff Poster February \(PDF\)](#)

Can you tell what's real and what's fake? Find out and win prizes on Feb. 27

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Image: Jon S, via Flickr

Can you tell real news from fake news? Use critical thinking and win real prizes! This game show-style event from **11 a.m. to noon Feb. 27 in Decker 117** will give attendees tools and tips to determine what's fake and what isn't.

This event is brought to campus by The Democracy Commitment, the President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion, and Student Activities.

[Therealfakenews2018 1 \(PDF\)](#)

Meet and learn from the Intern Queen on Feb. 28

February 21, 2018

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Known as “the Intern Queen,” Lauren Berger is arguably the nation’s most in-demand career and internship expert and speaks to thousands of high school students, college students and recent grads every year, motivating and inspiring them.

Catch her from 1 to 2 p.m. Feb. 28 in Decker 201 and learn how to up your internship game! Attendees will be entered into a raffle to win a Kindle Fire.



Congratulations to the recipients of the Chancellor's Award for Adjunct Teaching!

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We are honored and pleased to both announce and congratulate our exceptional colleagues who are recipients of this year's SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching:

Dawn Sella Graney

Department of Health Information Technology

Linda L. Jowett

Department of Nursing

Joshua H. Lewis

Department of English

SUNY Broome is fortunate to have so many faculty and staff who go the extra mile to serve our students and our entire academic community. Please take an opportunity to congratulate these faculty members on receiving their Chancellor's awards. It's quite an honor, especially among the hundreds of exceptional adjunct faculty who grace our classrooms and online networks every year.

Congratulations to our Chancellor's Award winners!

-Kevin

Kevin E. Drumm, PhD

President

SUNY Broome Community College

Ethics Conference registration is open! Register today

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Ty Muse, keynote speaker for the 2018 Ethics Conference

Registration for the ninth annual Ethics Conference is open! This event will take place from 3 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 23, in the Decker Health Sciences Building. This year's theme is Ethics of Education and will feature keynote speaker Ty Muse, President/CEO of Visions. His address is entitled "Education – The Great Equalizer."

Admission is free but you need to register as space is limited. You can register online at: <http://www.sunybroome.edu/web/ethics/registration> We look forward to seeing you at this year's Ethics Conference!

Time to RSVP: Kathy Ryder Scholarship Paint & Sip Night

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Fundraiser at 5:30 p.m. March 14!

Paint, sip and raise funds during the Kathy Ryder Scholarship

The Lost Dog at [222 Water St Binghamton, NY](#) has generously donated their Violet Room for the event. Please plan to grab some food and beverages and support local business while you're there.

This year, the event will be painting wine glasses for \$25 a set. The event also will include 50/50 and basket raffles. RSVP to Melissa Martin at Martimm2@sunybroome.edu by March 7.

If you would like to donate a raffle basket or other items to raffle, please contact Erin O'Hara-Leslie at oharaleslieck@sunybroome.edu. To contribute directly to Kathy's scholarship, please go

to www.broomeccfoundation.org and be sure to designate in memory of the Kathy Ryder Memorial Scholarship. Or, send a check payable to the BCC Foundation and in the memo of the check, please designate it to Kathy Ryder Memorial Scholarship. Mail to: BCC Foundation PO Box 1017, Binghamton, NY 13902. If on campus, send to Mailstop #4 or go to 201 Wales.

All proceeds will benefit the Scholarship Fund.

SUNY Broome, Excelsior graduate becomes photography entrepreneur

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Stephanie Jump

Congratulations to SUNY Broome graduate [Stephanie Jump](#), who was recently featured in an article by Excelsior College!

From the article:

After graduating from high school in 2007, Stephanie attended [SUNY Broome](#) to attain her associate degree in criminal justice, a field she'd always held a deep interest in. This drove her to [Binghamton University](#) in 2013, where she pursued a bachelor's degree in pre-law.

But life had different plans. While studying at Binghamton, she became pregnant with her son, Braydon. Pursuing higher education became more difficult, but Stephanie knew remaining in school would help her provide the best life for herself and, most importantly, her son. She remembered her SUNY Broome academic advisor Terri Fadden mentioning Excelsior College and the convenience, accessibility, and affordability of its online curriculum.

She knew it was the right fit for her, and seamlessly continued her education without taking time off. After taking a few prerequisite classes at SUNY Broome, she enrolled in Excelsior's online program for psychology.

"Excelsior is so great because of the flexibility it offers in your course work," Stephanie says. "I was able to work around being a mom, which was incredibly important. You can't really take a baby to class, but you can take him to the computer."

She began volunteering as a photographer for the Endicott Performing Arts Center, which led to a new identity: that of entrepreneur and owner of [Beyond the State Photography](#).

[Click here to read the article.](#)

Hungry? Students in need can use the Food for Thought Pantry

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Are you a SUNY Broome student in need? The Food for Thought Pantry is located in old Science Building Room 107A.

The pantry is run by the Student Assembly and here to help! Students may receive up to two food bags every month, full of food and/or hygiene products.

Applications are available through Student Activities and the Student Assembly, both of which are located in the old Science Building. Volunteers are also welcome. Contact StudentAssembly@acad.sunybroome.edu for more information.

[Food For Thought \(PDF\)](#)

SUNY Broome Art instructor has published two books

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Dr. Mark Williamson, an adjunct instructor in SUNY Broome's Art and Design department, has published two books.

[*One: a memoir*](#) paints a self-portrait through memories, and [*The Martyrdom Paintings of Jusepe de Ribera: Catharsis and Transformation*](#) is his doctoral dissertation. Check them out!



Feb. 22 Common Hour: Financial Inequality

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Join faculty presenters Leeland Whitted and John Sterlacci at 11 a.m. Feb. 22 in T-102 for a discussion of financial inequality.

According to former president Barack Obama, economic inequality is the most important moral issue of our time. Why do so few have so much and so many have so little? Why do people with a strong work ethic have so few resources? What role does technology play in the problem? Also, is economic equality the natural result of capitalism or are there other avoidable causes? For example, is inequality the result of flawed human agency or structural restraints that prevent some from achieving in our economic system?



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Come listen to two faculty members give their views of this phenomenon.

Gallery Reception on Feb. 22 for Spring Student Photo Show

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SUNY Broome Communications Department students and faculty will host a closing reception for the Early Spring Student Photo Show in the Art Gallery in the Cecil C. Tyrell Library from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22.

All are welcome to stop in and view an excellent array of student photographs taken with both 35 mm film and digital format cameras.

This is the first of two photography exhibits being sponsored by the Communications Department this semester. The current show will be on display until Feb. 28.

[Early Spring Photo Show I Lib 2018](#)



Photo by Madelyn Chianis

Focus on Wellness: eni Monthly Wellness Newsletter

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eni is pleased to bring you our monthly wellness newsletter. This month our experts provide tips on heart health. Please click the link below to access the newsletter and feel free to email marketing@eniweb.com or contact your Customer Relations Representative with any questions.

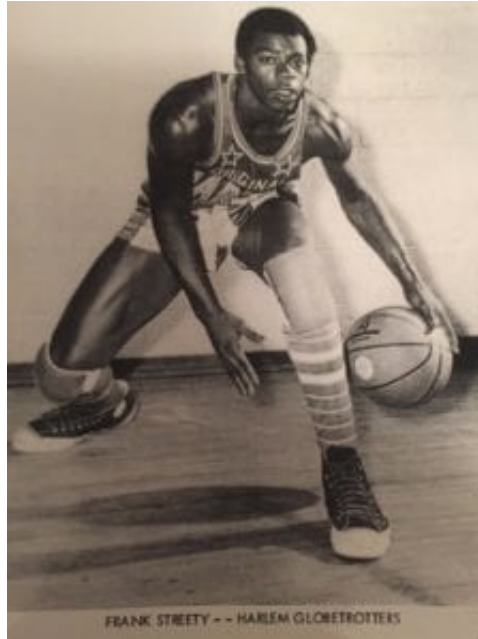
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Have a wonderful month!

Black History Month at SUNY Broome: Frank Streety

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Frank Streety

This post is part of a Black History Month series on SUNY Broome students, faculty and staff of color, who have been a valued part of the campus community since the college's founding in 1946.

By any measure, Frank Streety is a legend.

Known as “Shake n’ Bake” for his wild moves on the basketball court, he was among the original Harlem Globetrotters – and a graduate of Broome Tech, as SUNY Broome was once called. ESPN named the Brooklyn native “a streetball legend” and included him among the two dozen best players produced by the famed Rucker Park – along with Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Wilt Chamberlain and other greats.

A native of Harlem described as an orphan in early newspaper articles, Streety first began playing basketball at the age of 12 and was a standout on the Eastern Districts High School’s basketball team. He came to Broome Tech in 1966 during its basketball heyday under legendary Coach Dick Baldwin.

“Frank is the most exciting and flamboyant player we’ve ever had. He was a great dribbler and had that show-biz appeal,” Coach Baldwin told a reporter in a 1977 news article.

Streety had originally planned to attend Southern Illinois University, but found out last minute that his grades weren’t high enough for acceptance. Broome offered him the opportunity to improve academically as well as a needed scholarship, and he went on to earn a degree in Business Administration in 1968.

During his years on SUNY Broome team, the college went 53-12, won multiple tournaments and championships and headed to nationals both years. He also had to navigate the racial prejudice of the day, finding it difficult to even get his hair cut at a Broome County barber until Coach Baldwin stepped in. Despite these obstacles, Baldwin described his top-notch player in a 1967 newspaper article as “well-adjusted to racial problems in a white community” and without a trace of bitterness.

After graduating from Broome, he continued his education and his basketball success at Kentucky's Murray State, graduating with a bachelor's degree in Business. Streety, who had led teams from both colleges in NCAA playoff games, was inducted into the NCAA Hall of Fame in 1992.

In 1969, he joined the Harlem Globetrotters and played in venues across the globe.

"I'm the type of individual who likes to see people happy. I like to help cover up some of the frustrations and problems of the world. And with the Trotters, where basketball is half-serious and half-fun, people can come out and laugh. I just love kids, too," he told the predecessor to the Press & Sun-Bulletin in a 1977 article.

After retiring, he ended up in Florida, where he continued to show off his hoop tricks on occasion. He combined his love of the game with community service, as an instructor for the Youth Basketball of America Hoopsters program in Orlando and as CEO of the 360 ESAH Foundation, which aims to inspire, educate and empower communities around the world through grassroots efforts to bring about positive changes in the lives of children.

Putting others first: Kevin remakes his life to focus on service

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Kevin Carr teaches a Haitian student how to use a microscope. Photo by Professor Marcia Blackburn

When you're given a second chance, a fresh opportunity to give back to the world, then put your heart and hands into it. Kevin Carr has learned this lesson well – and is grateful for the opportunity.

During his first attempt at college some years ago, he failed out with “a .2 GPA.” Fresh out of high school, he spent years in the darkness, losing his sense of self and filling the hole “in the usual ways,” he admitted. Five years ago, after yet another wake-up call, he asked his Facebook friends whether they knew of any camp jobs. Summer camp was an experience he remembered positively and one that could, he hoped, get him back on track.

A friend suggested the Arrowhead Bible Camp for adults with developmental disabilities. He has worked at the camp for five years and forged a new life – going to Nicaragua on mission trips twice, returning to school and earning a flawless 4.0 GPA, and aiding people in need during [SUNY Broome's Health for Haiti class](#).

“I just really put myself first in the past. This moment that's happening now is because I'm really trying to do things for other people,” he explained. “I work 120 hours a week with school and my jobs. I mentor an individual with special needs on the weekends. I can do a lot of good with my life, so I don't have the right to be tired right now.”

The importance of giving back



Kevin Carr makes a friend in Haiti.

Now 27 years old, Carr is in his final semester at SUNY Broome, where he is majoring in Individual Studies in Health Sciences and STEM. His long-term goal: become a physician assistant and help those in need.

“I find it very important to utilize what I’ve been blessed with to the best of my abilities. Medicine can tie in everything I am able to offer,” he reflected. “I really like the unity that medicine provides. As a PA, I can do a lot of different things rather than specializing.”

At SUNY Broome, he tutors fellow Hornets in biology, math, chemistry and organic chemistry, and is also a supplemental instructor for anatomy and physiology. He is also an integral part of campus life, serving as Student Assembly’s vice president of student affairs, co-president for the Tutor Club and a member of the President’s task Force on Diversity and Inclusion. He finds work for the latter organization to be particularly meaningful, especially the effort to make the faculty more reflective of the college’s diverse student body.



Kevin Carr in Haiti

“This place, I can’t speak highly enough about it. I don’t even recognize myself,” he said of SUNY Broome.

One of his most meaningful experiences at SUNY Broome was his participation in the Winter 2018 Health for Haiti global service learning course.

Launched in January 2014, Health for Haiti is a four-credit, interdisciplinary course with a mission: provide humanitarian assistance to the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, while preparing college students to contribute to global security and prosperity. Students in the course explore the dynamics between poverty, education and healthcare not through textbooks, but through engaging in service projects that address pressing needs.

Projects encompass a wide range of services, from providing solar power, clean water, bathroom facilities and community gardens in the rural community of Grande Saline, to hands-on education in the arts, computer literacy, science, nutrition and hygiene to both rural and urban Haitian children. Medical and dental clinics, food distribution, the creation and support of a sewing school and soap-making initiative, socializing orphans – Health for Haiti has done it all in the four years since it began.



Kevin Carr, left, and Health for Haiti students

“I had never bonded with a group of people faster or more deeply in my life. The impact it made was so incredibly tangible,” Carr said of his experience. “People in the developing world have so much compassion and true joy.”

Carr did a variety of tasks during the 10-day trip, and particularly appreciated his work with the education team, teaching Haitian children. One of the science courses they planned involved a microscope, which Dr. Jennifer Musa was demonstrating to a Haitian teacher who had never used such a device before.

“The teacher said, ‘You just showed me a new world,’” Carr recalled.

One of his most touching experiences came with the same lab. Children were folding origami-type boxes for the new magnifying glasses they received as part of the science lab. It was also preparation of sorts for part two of the science class, when the Health for Haiti team will return this summer with foldable microscopes for their use. The microscopes are fully functional and fascinating, but a bit of work to assemble – hence the early practice with origami.



Kevin Carr teaching a child in Haiti

One little boy had trouble folding his origami project, and Kevin sat beside him, helping him fold the paper. They shared no common language but a desire to learn and a desire to help. Afterward, they shared tears and a hug.

“It was a really special moment. That is what I want my life to be filled with,” Carr said.

Part of the SUNY Broome family

Back at home now, Carr keeps up his busy schedule – always making time to give back. He’s taking a basic EMT class in addition to his course load, thanks to the Union Volunteer Emergency Squad.

To help pay for college, he has received multiple scholarships through the Broome Community College Foundation, including the Paul & Mary Calice and Mildred Barton Memorial Scholarship two years in a row, the Alumni Association for Tutors scholarship and the Second Chance Scholarship.

He’s also a semi-finalist for another incredible scholarship: the [Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship](#), worth up to \$40,000 a year. If he receives that scholarship, he hopes to go to his dream school: Ivy League Cornell University. In the meantime, he has been accepted by Binghamton University, where he plans to major in biological sciences, specializing in neurology and behavior.



Kevin Carr and the education team at work in a Haitian classroom

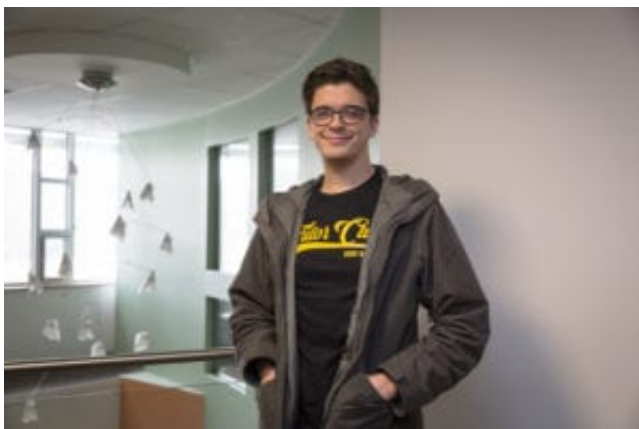
And then it would be off to an intensive and competitive Physician Assistant training program, perhaps at Upstate Medical. Avoiding debt is a priority because Carr wants to work in the Third World, likely volunteering his time.

He's grateful for his start at SUNY Broome and lists some of the many people who have impacted his life: Sandy Stephens in the Student Activities Office, who "is amazing in every way." Student Activities Director Jason Boring. The staff at the Learning Assistance Center. Executive Vice President Francis Battisti.

"I feel like I have this giant family. The financial aid ladies, student accounts – any place on campus I go, I meet with knowledgeable staff who want to help," he said. "It's so conducive for learning. This is such a great institution. I wouldn't go anywhere else."



Serving food to Haitian children



Kevin Carr

Brrr! Polar Plunge returns on Feb. 22

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Think it's freezing outside? Fancy a swim? Some SUNY Broome faculty and staff as well as local police are going to do just that in an unheated ice-pool that will be set up in the patio area between the Decker Health Sciences and Applied Technologies buildings at 11 a.m. Feb. 22. It's SUNY Broome's Fifth Polar Plunge, and you can be a part of it!

Plungers are seeking donations to be given to the Wes Warren Memorial Scholarship Fund. Please contact Maria Montemagno at montemagnomk@sunybroome.edu or the participants for more information. See you there!

[Polar Plunge Poster 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

NYSDOT recruiter will be on campus Feb. 21

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The New York State Department of Transportation will be on campus recruiting for summer Transportation Construction Inspectors. Stop by the AT Atrium between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Feb. 21 to speak with a DOL representative.



NYS DOT Recruitment
New York State Department of Transportation

TCIs
Summer Job Opportunities

Location: Applied Technology Atrium

**Wednesday
February 21, 2018
9:00am to 1:00pm**

 Applied Learning & Career Center
SUNY BROOME

Interested in temporary employment, working outside, and eager to learn about construction projects?

Transportation Construction Inspectors (TCIs) are hired prior to the start of each construction season, and assist in monitoring and inspecting construction projects. Employment can range from two to nine months, and positions exist throughout New York State.

On-campus construction activities for the week of Feb. 19

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- The new elevator foundation has been poured and work has begun on the new elevator shaft in the Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center.
- Tile work (both floors and walls) in the restrooms continues.
- Ductwork has been rerouted from the Business Building boiler room into the Connector/Atrium area.
- A chase wall has been constructed on the west end of the Connector/Atrium.
- Windows have been delivered and are on site with window installation set to begin this week.
- Light fixture installation and painting continues.

As always, if anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact David Ligeikis at (607) 765-0710.



Giving Back: Health for Haiti students change lives – including their own

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Stamatia Dimitriou (left) and Madison Wright

[SUNY Broome's Health for Haiti](#) global service learning class undeniably changes lives in both urban and rural Haitian communities. The lives that are perhaps the most changed, however, are those of the students themselves.

"I changed my entire lifestyle and career path based on that experience," said Stamatia Dimitriou, an [AA1](#) student known as Tia who attended this year's Health for Haiti course during winter term.

Launched in January 2014, Health for Haiti is a four-credit, interdisciplinary course with a mission: provide humanitarian assistance to the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, while preparing college students to contribute to global security and prosperity. Students in the course explore the dynamics between poverty, education and healthcare not through textbooks, but through engaging in service projects that address pressing needs.

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"Having us come there is a huge deal for them. They don't know when the next opportunity for medical care will be," said Madison Wright, a second-year dental hygiene student from the Oneonta area.

This year's trip



The 2018 Health for Haiti class

As in previous years, SUNY Broome students engaged with a wide range of initiatives during Health for Haiti.

“It was a packed 10 days,” Tia said.

On the education side, SUNY Broome CLT students created a science education class for the children at Organisation Assistante pour des Enfants d’Haiti (OAEH). Haitian children learned about the scientific method and observation with the aid of donated magnifying glasses, observation notebooks, a microscope and school supplies. The Health for Haiti team will return this summer for the second part of the science lesson, bringing foldable microscopes for Haitian teachers and students to use.

Grande Saline’s solar energy, water filtration systems and community gardens – previous Health for Haiti initiatives – continue to enhance the lives of residents. The class also distributed 500 personal care kits and served more than 500 lunches to children in urban and rural Haiti, as well as distributed food to 300 families, paid for mostly by student fundraising efforts.

Thanks to a donation of soap-making supplies from Minnesota-based Sweet Cakes Soap, Health for Haiti provided a new economic opportunity for women in Grande Saline. The women have since made and sold their soap at a recent church convention, and have received orders for more.

Children in Grande Saline learned to play the recorder, aided by instructional materials created by fellow youngsters at Tioga Hills Elementary School. Haitian children also learned about nutrition and the food groups, Tia said.

The medical team, led by a pair of Haitian doctors, saw more than 200 patients and dispensed prescription medications. Although not trained on the medical side, Dimitriou aided efforts by recording data, registering patients and fetching medicine as needed.

Health for Haiti distributed more than 1,200 toothbrushes and taught children the rudiments of dental hygiene. Assisted by a Haitian dentist, SUNY Broome’s dental hygiene students applied sealants in the mouths of more than 1,000 patients, helping them keep their teeth from decay. They also applied silver diamine fluoride on 43 teeth, stopping the progression of decay.

The fluoride treatment was new to Health for Haiti, and relied on a technology that allows the treatment to be cured without the application of light – an important consideration in a place where electricity isn’t always available, Wright said. The patient load was high, but understandably so, given the lack of dental care in the

country.

“It makes me appreciate more the care we do have in the United States. I’d like to go back and do more,” Wright said.

The Haitian people were deeply appreciative of the aid they received, Tia and Madison said. Students also had the opportunity to witness the disparities between urban and rural poor, the latter of which had fewer available resources.

“It was really heartbreaking as well as equally inspiring. You can see directly how you’re helping people,” Tia said. “We got to see exactly how that money we raised is being used. It meant more. It was more real.”



Applying sealants at a Health for Haiti dental clinic

Forming bonds

When she was first contemplating college, Dimitriou didn’t know what she wanted to pursue as a major or as a career. Interested in healthcare, she’s also a dancer with a love of the arts and teaches dance as a side job.

“I knew SUNY Broome would give me the best opportunity to figure that out and I knew I wanted to go to Haiti,” said the Johnson City resident. “I knew this would be the best place for me to start.”

She enrolled in the challenging Associate in Arts in One Year (AA1) program for academically gifted students, and pursued her dream of going to Haiti. She couldn’t articulate why she wanted to go, but knew she would figure it out along the way.

The experience changed her dramatically, giving her focus and purpose. She decided on a career path as a physician assistant, perhaps for a nonprofit so she can continue to help those in need, and will transfer to Binghamton University.

“After going to Haiti, I decided that my ultimate thing is helping people,” she said. “Since we came back, we have a whole different appreciation for everything. I observe human behavior in a whole different way.”

Upon her return, she quit her retail job, losing her patience with people who seemed overly concerned with materialism. It’s a feeling that Wright understands well.

“When I came home, I didn’t want to hear people’s negative attitude,” she said.

Haiti marked the first time that Wright even left the country, something she viewed with trepidation initially. But it’s opened a new world and she’ll follow that up this spring with Global Health in Ireland, a course that will send her to a far different island to perform dental care.

After earning her dental hygiene license, she will also consider a more global avenue when it comes to career. It’s quite the change when you realize that she once became intensively homesick on a backpacking trip. Homesickness wasn’t a factor in Haiti at all.

“I felt so comfortable there, so welcome,” she said.

In fact, many of the Health for Haiti students remain good friends. From the first long day in the airport, the class formed bonds with one another, Madison and Tia said.

“The people I went to Haiti with are honestly my best friends now, and I’m already planning to go back to Haiti,” Tia said.

To contribute to the larger world, you need to push yourself – to get outside your comfort zone, Dimitriou mused. With that in mind, she has this bit of advice for fellow Hornets who may also be contemplating Health for Haiti: “Don’t be afraid to take chances. Do everything you can. You have the opportunities.”

Upcoming Professional Development Event: Ensemble 1-2-3 Workshops

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Professional Development logo



Ensemble 1 – Video Storage and Sharing

Ensemble Video is a powerful online video platform that can be used to enhance teaching and learning in face-to-face, 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 and share their content through Blackboard and email

When: Wednesday, February 28th

Venue: TRC Lab

Time: 9:00 am – 9:30 am

Presented by: Carine Surdey

Register: [Register Here](#)

Ensemble 2 – Auto Captioning

Captioning of video for the hearing impaired has historically been a manual and tedious process. The Ensemble Auto-Caption tool makes captioning a breeze! Simply submit your video for captioning and let Ensemble do most of the work. Participants will learn how to submit video to the Auto-Captioning service and edit captions using the Amara Caption editor. **Basic knowledge of the Ensemble Video Storage platform (or the Ensemble 1 workshop) is required.**

When: Wednesday, February 28th

Venue: TRC Lab

Time: 9:30 am – 10:00 am

Presented by: Carine Surdey

Register: [Register Here](#)

Ensemble 3 – Recording Video with Ensemble Anthem

Are you looking for a quick and easy way to create short videos for your students? Whether you want to record a voiced over Powerpoint, a demonstration that includes sharing your computer screen, or a video of yourself using a webcam, Ensemble Anthem is the tool for you! It is similar to Camtasia, but much more simple to use. And, it is web based so there is no additional software to purchase or install. You can record from anywhere you have access to the Internet, both on and off campus! **Basic knowledge of the Ensemble Video Storage platform (or the Ensemble 1 workshop) is required.**

When: Wednesday, February 28th

Venue: TRC Lab

Time: 10:00 am – 10:30 am

Presented by: Carine Surdey

Register: [Register Here](#)

Focus on STEM: Join us Feb. 21 for the Engineering Week Open House

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SUNY Broome's STEM division is hosting an Engineering Week Open House from 3 to 6 p.m. Feb. 21 in the Applied Technology atrium on the SUNY Broome campus.

Employers will be on-site to showcase interactive displays related to their companies and SUNY Broome students will be demonstrating various projects. This event is also an opportunity for middle and high school students and their families to learn more about SUNY Broome's STEM programs and potential careers.



Black History Month Guest Speaker: Dr. Ibram X. Kendi Comes to Campus Feb. 27

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Dr. Ibram X. Kendi Presents: How to be an Antiracist

The President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion, in co-sponsorship with the Office of the President, the Office of the Vice President for Student Development and Chief Diversity Officer and the Office of the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, proudly presents SUNY Broome's **Black History Month** guest speaker, **Dr. Ibram X. Kendi**.

Tuesday February 27, 2018 * 6 p.m. * Decker 201 *

Register here: <https://sunybroome.wufoo.com/forms/mk51pne1wju3sp/>

When the first Black president headed into the White House, Americans were imagining their nation as colorblind and went so far as to call it post-racial. With the arrival of Donald Trump many people are awakening and seeing racial reality for the first time. With opened minds, people are actively trying to understand racism. In this deeply personal and empowering lecture, Kendi shifts the discussion from how not to be racist to how to be an antiracist. He shares his own racist ideas and how to overcome them. He provides direction to people and institutions who want more than just band-aid programs, but actual antiracist action that builds an antiracist america.

This event is open to the campus and community by registration only

Feb. 20 film: ‘Jeanne Dielman, 23, Quai du Commerce, 1080, Bruxelles’

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Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 1975 Belgian film *Jeanne Dielman, 23, Quai du Commerce, 1080, Bruxelles*, directed by Chantal Ackerman.

A lonely widowed housewife does her daily chores, takes care of her apartment where she lives with her teenage son, and turns the occasional trick to make ends meet. However, something happens that challenges her safe routine.

Part of PTK’s International Film Series, the film starts at 7 p.m. Feb. 20 in TH 101.



Spotlight on STEM: Engineering Open House on Feb. 21

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The Applied Learning & Career Center and SUNY Broome's STEM division are once again partnering to host SUNY Broome's second annual Engineering/STEM Open House from 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, in the AT Atrium.

Employers will be on site to showcase interactive displays related to their company and SUNY Broome students will be demonstrating various projects. This is also an opportunity for middle and high school students and their families to learn more about SUNY Broome's STEM programs and potential careers.

Employers such as Lockheed Martin, BAE, Amphenol Aerospace, Delta Engineers, Keystone Associates and many more will be on site. BAE will even be bringing their hybrid bus! Don't miss this exciting, interactive open house event.

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The Monday Poem: ‘The Calculus’ by Paul Hostovsky

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

The Calculus

by Paul Hostovsky

My hygienist likes to include me
in the decision-making.
“Shall we use the hand scaler
or the ultrasonic today?” she asks me.
I like the way she says “we,”
like we’re doing something intimate
and collaborative,
like building a snowman,
or more like dismantling one
after an ice storm, flake
by frozen flake. “The calculus
is caused by precipitation
of minerals from your saliva,” she explains.
“You can’t remove it with your toothbrush.
Only a professional can do that.” She’s very
professional. She doesn’t dumb it down.
“Pay more attention to the lingual side
of your mandibular anteriors,” she says.
I love it when she talks like that.
I love the names of teeth: incisor, third molar, bicuspid,
eyetooth. Her own teeth are
virtuosic. “Calculus comes from the Greek
for stone,” she says. “In mathematics
it’s counting with stones. In medicine,
it’s the mineral buildup in the body: kidney stones,
tartar on teeth.” She teaches me all this
as I sit there with my mouth open,
looking astonished.



About This Poet

When he's not writing award-winning poems, Bostonian Paul Hostovsky makes his living as a sign language interpreter at the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. He is the author of five chapbooks and three full-length poetry collections: *Bending the Notes* (2008), *Dear Truth* (2009), and *A Little in Love a Lot* (2011).

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Westley VanDunk spent his career helping students achieve their educational dreams.

He had his start at Broome Technical Community College, earning a Liberal Arts degree in 1970 before transferring to Binghamton University for a degree in sociology.

He returned to Broome Community College to head the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), which provides access, academic support and financial aid to first-time, full-time students who show promise for succeeding in college but who may need additional support.

In 1987, he made the jump to Binghamton University's EOP program, where he spent three decades supporting students before his recent retirement. He served as the liaison to BU's Decker School of Nursing, where he advised students interested in that career path, encouraging them to succeed.

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Attention continuing students: This is the last week to apply online for scholarships!

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The Broome Community College Foundation's [online Scholarship Application](#) is now open for students interested in applying for scholarships.

The deadline for continuing students to apply will be Feb. 23, 2018. The deadline for prospective students (incoming freshman) will be March 30, 2018.

Please see the Foundation Office in the Wales Building Room 201 with any questions.



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(<https://www.sunybroome.edu/web/professional-development/assistance-program>). This site also contains the recently updated and approved forms that must be used for full consideration of your PDAP request.

PDAP applications should be sent to the secretary to the Chief Academic Officer (**mail stop #55**) by **February 23, 2018**.

The Professional Development Steering Committee will meet shortly after this date to act on the applications. **Applications received after the February 23rd deadline will be accepted in the unlikely event that funds are still available.**

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



Upcoming Professional Development Events: Ensemble 1-2-3 Workshops

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Ensemble 1 – Video Storage and Sharing

Ensemble Video is a powerful online video platform that can be used to enhance teaching and learning in face-to-face, 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 and share their content through Blackboard and email

When: Wednesday, February 28th

Venue: TRC Lab

Time: 9:00 am – 9:30 am

Presented by: Carine Surdey

Register: [Register Here](#)

Ensemble 2 – Auto Captioning

Captioning of video for the hearing impaired has historically been a manual and tedious process. The Ensemble Auto-Caption tool makes captioning a breeze! Simply submit your video for captioning and let Ensemble do most of the work. Participants will learn how to submit video to the Auto-Captioning service and edit captions using the Amara Caption editor. **Basic knowledge of the Ensemble Video Storage platform (or the Ensemble 1 workshop) is required.**

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Ensemble 3 – Recording Video with Ensemble Anthem

Are you looking for a quick and easy way to create short videos for your students? Whether you want to record a voiced over Powerpoint, a demonstration that includes sharing your computer screen, or a video of yourself using a webcam, Ensemble Anthem is the tool for you! It is similar to Camtasia, but much more simple to use. And, it is web based so there is no additional software to purchase or install. You can record from anywhere you have access to the Internet, both on and off campus! **Basic knowledge of the Ensemble Video Storage platform (or the Ensemble 1 workshop) is required.**

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Save the Date: Public deliberation on immigration to be held March 24

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Mark your calendars: SUNY Broome's Center for Civic Engagement will hosting a community-wide public deliberation on immigration from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 24, at Binghamton High School.

Stay tuned for more information!



Feb. 22 Common Hour: Financial Inequality

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Join faculty presenters Leeland Whitted and John Sterlacci at 11 a.m. Feb. 22 in T-102 for a discussion of financial inequality.

According to former president Barack Obama, economic inequality is the most important moral issue of our time. Why do so few have so much and so many have so little? Why do people with a strong work ethic have so few resources? What role does technology play in the problem? Also, is economic equality the natural result of capitalism or are there other avoidable causes? For example, is inequality the result of flawed human agency or structural restraints that prevent some from achieving in our economic system?



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Come listen to two faculty members give their views of this phenomenon.

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Black History Month: Who is Maya Angelou?

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Maya Angelou

This Black History Month post is part of a series, brought to you by Student Assembly.

Maya Angelou (April 4, 1928- May 28, 2014) was an American writer, poet and civil rights activist. She is known for her autobiographical fiction books. Angelou helped Malcolm X, and Martin Luther King Jr. during the civil rights movement. Her work is respected by women and the black community.

Quote: “I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”

Got heart? Valentine's Day Flower fundraiser for the Heart Walk

February 14, 2018

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Physical Therapist Assistant students sold flowers for a Heart Walk fundraiser

The Valentine's Day Flower Fundraiser was a great way to support the American Heart Association Heart Walk!

Thank you to all who participated: the committee members, the Medical Assisting Students who delivered the flowers and the PTA students selling them at a tabling event. More than 250 flowers were sold! It was a fun way to fund raise for a wonderful cause and to let people know you appreciate them.

Please contact Erin O'Hara-Leslie if you have any questions about the walk at oharaleslieek@sunybroome.edu. To join the SUNY Broome Team on Sunday April 8, please click on the following link: http://www2.heart.org/site/TR?fr_id=3000&pg=company&company_id=94600



Medical Assisting students deliver flowers

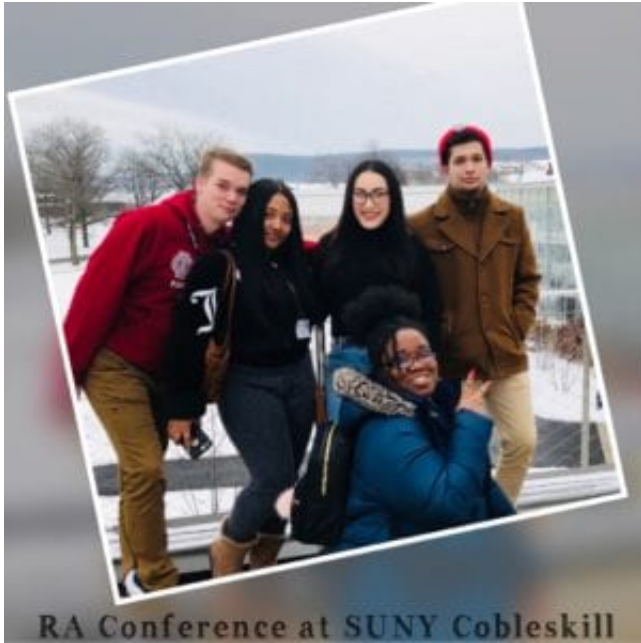


Students prepare flowers for delivery

Student Village RAs attend SUNY Cobleskill's Resident Assistant Conference

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RA Conference at SUNY Cobleskill SUNY Broome's Office of Housing and Residential Life had several members of their resident assistant staff attend SUNY Cobleskill's first annual Resident Assistant Conference on Feb. 10, 2018.

Accompanied by the Student Village's Residence Directors, the RA staff was "provided an opportunity for forward-thinking knowledgeable individuals to share their experiences and insights specifically within student affairs ... a platform for professional development, partnerships and continued growth."

The day-long conference was attended by more than a few colleges. It consisted of various sessions, some of which focused on: mindfulness; community service and the benefits of service learning; social justice lenses; and the Power of positive psychology. SUNY Broome RAs were able to share their own experiences and skills, in addition to learning more about how to be effective leader, a resource to their fellow peers and engaging connectors to the campus community.

Your Voice Matters for Faculty and Staff on Feb. 27

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Join us for the faculty and staff edition of Your Voice Matters from 11 a.m. to noon Feb. 27 in D-201.

This is a forum for faculty and staff to express concerns and make suggestions about major issues that affect our campus. There will also be the option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the Shared Governance website prior to the forum.

Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.

[Your Voice Matters for faculty and staff only](#)



Black History Month at SUNY Broome: Professor Anthony Davis

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Broome Tech Professor Anthony A. Davis, coordinator of the college's X-Ray Technology program, is shown with the program's first two honor graduates, Dawn Marie Rank (left) and Barbara Jean Loudon (center) in this Sept. 8, 1967, photo from The Evening Press, forerunner to the Press & Sun-Bulletin.

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Broome Tech – as it was called back in the day – was the first community college in the state to offer Associate's degrees in X-Ray technology. The first class of eight students graduated in September 1967, back when the college held a separate graduation for the summer class.

The very first coordinator of the X-Ray Technology Program was Assistant Professor Anthony A. Davis, a man of color.

Professor Davis also spearheaded the college's first Health Career Day in March 1968.

He remained active in his field in other ways, as well: publishing research in *Radiologic Technology*, the journal of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists, and coordinating a professional conference on "Current Trends in Radiological Sciences" in 1968 on the Broome Technical Community College campus.

Deadline for Sabbatical Leave Applications

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The deadline for the receipt of Sabbatical Leave Applications is **Friday, March 9, 2018.**

Specifics regarding application content, per the Faculty Contract, are as follows:

Each application shall include a statement outlining the program of study to be followed while on leave, stating that the applicant intends to continue as a member of the academic staff for a period of at least two years following the expiration of his/her said sabbatical leave and further stating that upon his/her return the application shall submit to the President a report (copied to the EVP/CAO preferred) of his/her accomplishment while on sabbatical leave.

At this time, the amount of funding that will be available for sabbaticals is uncertain. However, we are collecting applications and applicants will be notified whether budget conditions will permit sabbaticals.

Sabbatical application forms may be obtained in the Administration Office, Wales 107, from Rhoda Neal. Sabbaticals are available for **full-time permanent faculty members only.**

[Sabbatical Leave App Deadline \(PDF\)](#)



Feb. 15 Common Hour: 911 Good Samaritan Law

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Join Sgt. Sammy Davis from the Broome County Sheriff's Office (also a Criminal Justice & Emergency Services faculty member) for a discussion of the 911 Good Samaritan Law at 11 a.m. Feb. 15 in T-012.



Oil painting by Professor Zeggert part of Philadelphia art exhibit

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Tera, an oil portrait painted by SUNY Broome Professor David Zeggert, has been accepted into the Small Beauties Exhibit curated by Era Contemporary Gallery in Philadelphia. The exhibit will be displayed at the Cynywd Club located in Cynywd, Pa. The exhibit will then travel and be displayed for an evening at The Con Artist Collective in New York City in early March.



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Congratulations to our Vanguard Award winner, Samuel Payzant!

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Samuel Payzant holds the model of a hip replacement. Physical Therapist Assistants help patients recover mobility following surgery, injury or other impairment.

Congratulations to Samuel Payzant, who is one of the Vanguard Award winners for 2017-2018!

Administered by the New York State Nontraditional Employment & Training (NET) Program, the award goes to outstanding students in fields that are considered non-traditional for their gender.

Samuel, who is in the Physical Therapist Assistant program, is among eight award winners from colleges around the state. The winners were chosen from a pool of 50 strong nominees and will be honored in Albany this April.

Other SUNY Broome nominees for the award this year include [Jessica Morgan](#) and [Paul Reardon](#).

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Valentine's Day Bachata and Build-A-Bear on Feb. 14

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Learn to dance the Bachata and then build your own teddy bear this Valentine's Day in the Student Village! Couples and singles alike are welcome to the Feb. 14 event, which will take place in the Student Village classroom.

From 7 to 8 p.m., learn to dance the Bachata. A Build-A-Bear session follows from 8 to 9 p.m. Students must attend the Bachata lesson in order to attend the Build-A-Bear session.

Please pre-register by emailing StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu.

[Valentines2018 \(PDF\)](#)

Meet with a TIAA Financial Consultant on Feb. 20

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Image of a dollar bill



TIAA financial consultant Alicia Brady will be on campus from **9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 20, 2018, in Wales 203A.**

Register for a session to address such questions as:

- Am I invested in the right mix of investments to help meet my goals?
- Am I saving enough to create the retirement income I need?
- How do I take income from my retirement account once I stop working?

RSVP today as space is limited. Register at www.TIAA.org/schedulenow or call 800-732-8353, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (ET).

Human Resource: A veteran draws on his experience to find his path and help others along the way

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Adrian Davis

Adrian Davis' work as a Student Village residence assistant draws on his experience a world away – when he was a Marine sergeant in Okinawa, Japan.

A non-commissioned officer, or NCO, he was in charge of a deck of younger Marines – the same age as many community college students, in fact. Davis, who joined the military a few years after high school, was a little older than the people around him – a situation that endures today at SUNY Broome.

“I was called ‘the old man’ when I was leaving the Marine Corps. Now I’m an RA here and I think I’m the

oldest student in the Student Village,” said the Binghamton native, who is now 25 years old – well, 25½. “I’m grandpa in the Student Village.”

The age and experience gap can prove to be a boon for the younger peers he mentors. As it turns out, this is the Business Administration major’s second time at SUNY Broome.

He had considered joining the military directly out of high school, but his parents urged him to try college first. He was, he admitted, immature and more than a little uncertain about his path. He tried computer science and then criminal justice, but nothing appealed – nothing in the classroom, that is, and he ended up failing.

“I was more into partying rather than going to class. I wasn’t interested in school at all,” said Davis, who then spent five years serving his country.

From sergeant to RA

The Student Village wasn’t yet built when Adrian first attended SUNY Broome, and he had his first exposure to the residence hall as a student worker. He then met residence director Alexandria Donkor, who told him the benefits and the pitfalls of life as an RA.

It reminded Davis of his time in the military and he decided to apply. An added benefit: It gave him the opportunity to live on his own.

He’s a frequent sight on the third floor, which he oversees. Perhaps in some ways, he sees a bit of his younger self in his fellow residents; they, too, are trying out college to see how they like it, and are looking for their path in the world.

When he’s not working as an RA or in class, he holds down other jobs, too: as a student worker and at a store in the mall.

How does he balance the demands of being an RA with his classwork? “It’s really a matter of making a schedule and following it, and making sure you have free time so you don’t feel overwhelmed,” Davis said.

Enjoying the environment

When he was preparing for his transition into civilian life, Adrian Davis began to weigh his college and career options. Along with his hometown college, human resources seemed a natural fit, although accounting also has its appeal.

“I can see the big picture in Business Administration, in case I want to go another path,” he said of his major.

A degree in Business Administration will allow him to tackle the prerequisite courses he will need for his future career, as well as prepare him for transfer to his dream school: West Virginia University. He’s a longtime fan of their football team and has acquaintances from his time in the military who went on to attend WVU, giving him some ready connections.

Long-term, he would like to work in human resources for some part of the government – maybe a police department, drawing on his earlier law enforcement interest.

Unlike his first try at college eight years ago, he’s doing well, and enjoys conversing with his professors.

“I’m enjoying the environment. I like the whole experience of being here,” he said.

Save the Date: 2018 Awards & Retirement Recognition on May 4

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The 2018 Awards and Recognition Ceremony will take place on Friday, May 4, from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at Traditions at the Glen. Stay tuned for more information!

[Save the Date logo](#)



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

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The Society for the Teaching of Psychology (Division 2 of the American Psychological Association) has just released the e-book *Essays from E-xcellence in Teaching* (Volume XVII), edited by SUNY Broome Professor William S. Altman, Dr. Lyra Stein from Rutgers University and Dr. Jon Westfall of Delta State University.

This collection of essays about best teaching practices and techniques is based on the popular series of essays and blog posts edited by Dr. Altman and Dr. Stein. Anyone may download the book for free at <https://teachpsych.org/ebooks/eit2017/index.php>. The other volumes in the series and many other excellent books about teaching may be found at <http://teachpsych.org/ebooks/index.php>

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On-campus construction for the week of Feb. 12

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- Reconstruction of the restroom area in the Student Center women's locker room is expected to begin this week. Please note that the work being done in the Student Center is in the women's locker room on the second floor near the FSA Office.
- Data wire is being pulled on the second floor of the new Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center.
- There will be a concrete pour this week to close the area-way in the Connector/Atrium between Calice and the Business Building.
- Demolition between Calice and the AT Building continues. Please advise if the noise created by this demolition causes a disruption to classes in the AT Building.
- Excavation for the new elevator in Calice is nearly complete. Building of forms and placement of reinforcing bar (for the foundation) will begin this week.
- Lights are being installed in the second floor restrooms in Calice.
- Wall tile work will also begin in the second floor restrooms in Calice.
- Final painting continues on the second floor in Calice with one wall in each room/office having an accent (color) wall and three white walls.

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



SUNY Broome 2018 MLK Jr. Job Fair: Employer Early Bird Registration

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In partnership with the New York State Department of Labor, SUNY Broome is excited to announce that Employer Early Bird Registration is live for our annual MLK Jr. Job Fair. Employer Early Bird registration runs through March 18.

This year's Job Fair will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 26 in the SUNY Broome Ice Center. The past two years the event has sold out to capacity for employers and community organizations; employers and community organizations interested in attending should register early to secure their spot.

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February 11, 2018

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Join Phi Theta Kappa for a showing of the 1975 Belgian film *Jeanne Dielman, 23, Quai du Commerce, 1080, Bruxelles*, directed by Chantal Ackerman.

A lonely widowed housewife does her daily chores, takes care of her apartment where she lives with her teenage son, and turns the occasional trick to make ends meet. However, something happens that challenges her safe routine.

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The Monday Poem: ‘Given to Rust’ by Vievee Francis

February 11, 2018

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

Given to Rust

By Vievee Francis

Every time I open my mouth my teeth reveal
more than I mean to. I can't stop tonguing them, my teeth.
Almost giddy to know they're still there (my mother lost hers)
but I am embarrassed nonetheless that even they aren't
pretty. Still, I did once like my voice, the way it moved
through the gap in my teeth like birdsong in the morning,
like the slow swirl of a creek at dusk. Just yesterday
a woman closed her eyes as I read aloud, and
said she wanted to sleep in the sound of it, my voice.
I can still sing some. Early cancer didn't stop the compulsion
to sing but
there's gravel now. An undercurrent
that also reveals me. Time and disaster. A heavy landslide
down the mountain. When you stopped speaking to me
what you really wanted was for me to stop speaking to you. To
stifle the sound of my voice. I know.
Didn't want the quicksilver of it in your ear.
What does it mean
to silence another? It means I ruminate on the hit
of rain against the tin roof of childhood, how I could listen
all day until the water rusted its way in. And there I was
putting a pan over here and a pot over there to catch it.



About This Poem

“There are few things worse than being silenced, than having one’s voice stifled. In my twenties I lost my singing voice to cancer. Now, the spoken word, conversation, vocalization itself is vital and deeply personal to me, and as much a part of my understanding of self and being as inscription. There are those who cannot stand to hear the truth and are willing to allow harm to not have to listen. I have known such people, and even held them close. But in this poem I hope to convey the consequences of silencing can be dire. And I mean to be heard one way or another, no matter the cost.”

—Vievee Francis

*Vievee Francis is the author of *Forest Primeval* (TriQuarterly Books, 2015). She serves as an associate editor for *Callaloo* and is an associate professor of English and creative writing at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire.*

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The Broome Community College Foundation's [online Scholarship Application](http://www.sunybroome.edu/scholarshipsonline) is now open for students interested in applying for scholarships.

The deadline for continuing students to apply will be Feb. 23, 2018. The deadline for prospective students (incoming freshman) will be March 30, 2018.

Please see the Foundation Office in the Wales Building Room 201 with any questions.



Upcoming Professional Development Webinar: Black Student Success on Your Campus

February 9, 2018

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Black Student Success on Your Campus:

**Increase Recruitment, Retention,
Engagement, & Completion**

Wednesday, February 14th • 2-3:30 pm (ET)

The more inclusive and equitable your campus is, the better your student recruitment, retention and engagement will be. Institutions need to be proactive in their approach to create a more welcoming environment and ensure black student satisfaction by recognizing the unique differences, experiences and struggles they face both on and off campus. *What real changes must my institution make to be more responsive to Black students' needs?*

What can you do to be more than an ally and truly advocate on their behalf?

Join us on February 14, 2018 and our expert presenter will address those questions and the challenges your Black students face daily, as well as strategies for how to help overcome them.

Explore **how current events impact your Black students** and analyze the similarities of history and

current campus climates to help your students seek answers to their concerns not readily provided by your institution.

Learning Outcomes

Join this webinar and:

- Ensure your institution is truly responsive to the needs of your Black students – **avoid being complicit and take intentional action to address and positively impact their experience on your campus so that they succeed and graduate.**
- Create campus structures and systems that provide support for Black students – **utilize more than just Black professionals on campus to advocate for and support black student satisfaction, engagement, and persistence.**
- Understand racial theory in America – **move past these stigmas so you can provide access to needed care and support in a way that resonates with this unique population.**
- Foster a collaborative and proactive approach to recruit Black students – **address campus culture and environment *prior to their arrival* to ensure that their experiences mirror your institutions' mission and values.**
- Recognize the continuous impact to Black students on campus and allow safe opportunities for them to express themselves – **avoid silencing their voices, continued marginalization, low retention, and an increase disapproval ratings.**

When: Wednesday, February 14th

Venue: Decker 201

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Sponsored by: Diversity Initiatives

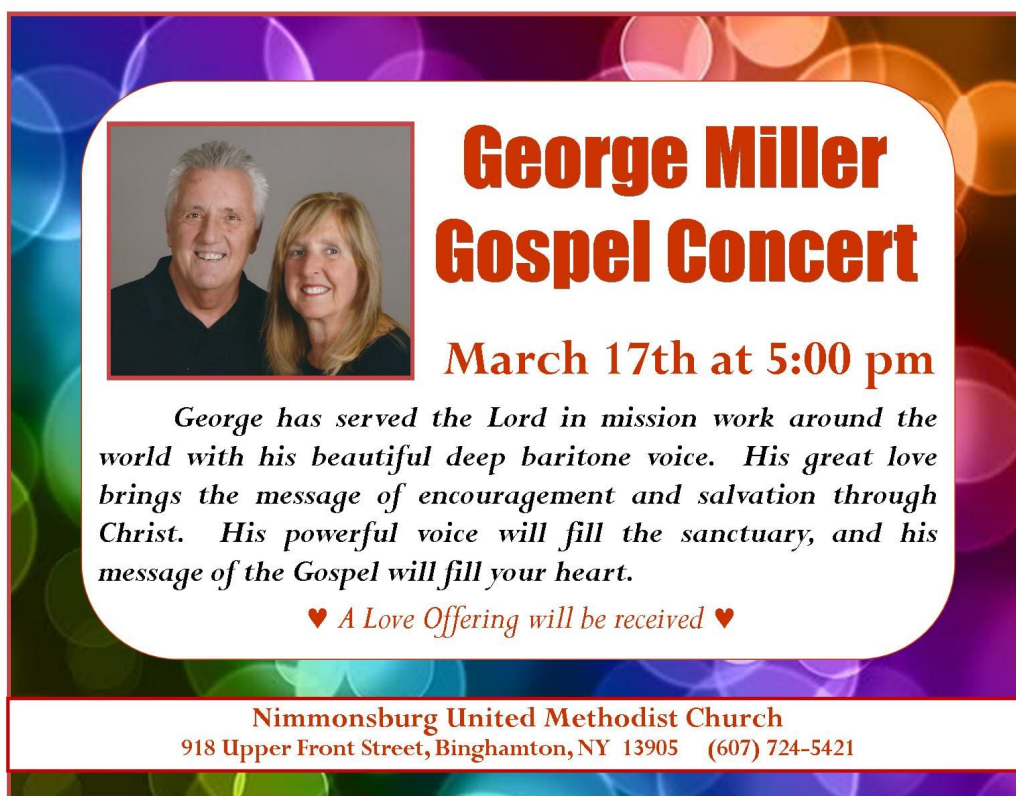
Hosted by: Scott Schuhert

Register: [Register Here](#)

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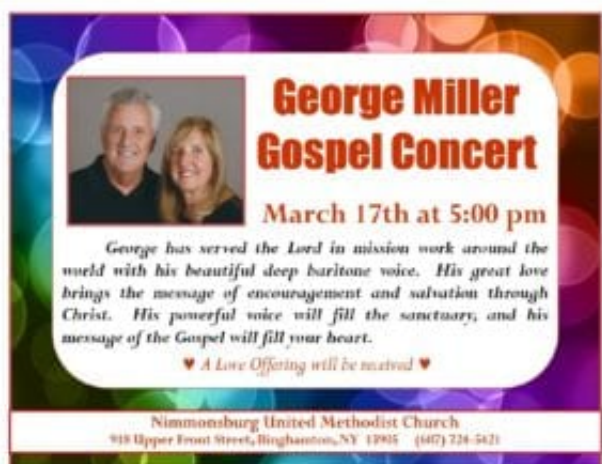
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♥ A Love Offering will be received ♥

Nimmonsburg United Methodist Church
918 Upper Front Street, Binghamton, NY 13905 (607) 724-5421

Nimmonsburg United Methodist Church, located across the street from SUNY Broome at 918 Upper Front Street, is holding a free Gospel concert featuring baritone George Miller at 5 p.m. March 17. Click the flyer below for more details.



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Curious about Open Educational Resources? Three SUNY workshops are coming to the region:

- March 8: Corning Community College
- March 16: Cayuga Community College
- March 23: SUNY Oneonta

These workshops invite faculty, staff, administrators, and other campus stakeholders to explore the possibilities of OER.

- Interact with faculty and librarians across SUNY who have first-hand experience with OER
- Understand the distinctions between traditional and Creative Commons copyright
- Discover OER materials in your subject area
- Apply OER content to help meet your course outcomes

All skill and comfort levels with OER & technology are welcome.

Go to <http://open-nys.org/events-2/> for registration information and directions. If you have any questions about the workshops, or OER in general, contact Paul Bond, x5239 or bondph@sunybroome.edu

Get fit: Join the Student Wellness Challenge by Feb. 12!

February 8, 2018

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Think you're fit? Want to get fit?

The [SUNY Broome Student Wellness Challenge](#) may be for you!

Criminal Justice & Emergency Services, Physical Education and Sport Studies and Student Health Services are sponsoring a challenge to motivate our students to work toward achieving better fitness in Spring 2018. It is based on the New York State Municipal Police Training Council Fitness standards, which measure fitness using running ability, sit-ups and push-ups. The ultimate goal will be to meet or exceed the standards, but participants can set their own goals and work toward improvement.

The Challenge will start on February 15 with an initial assessment and end on April 26 with a final evaluation. A progress assessment will also be offered on March 29 to let participants check their status against their goals. Assessments will be conducted from 2 to 4 p.m. on the dates noted.

Any student who signs up for the Challenge and completes the initial assessment will receive a Wellness Challenge water bottle. Participants who successfully complete the Challenge will receive a Certificate of Completion and a T-Shirt.

Prizes will also be awarded for Most Improved and the leaders in each of the Challenge categories. Students are required to participate in the pre- and post-test, and are strongly encouraged to participate in the mid-test to measure their progress.

Suggested clothing: Workout clothing including sweatsuits or shorts and T-shirt as well as a good pair of gym shoes. Sign up for the challenge before February 12 by [clicking here and filling out the form](#).

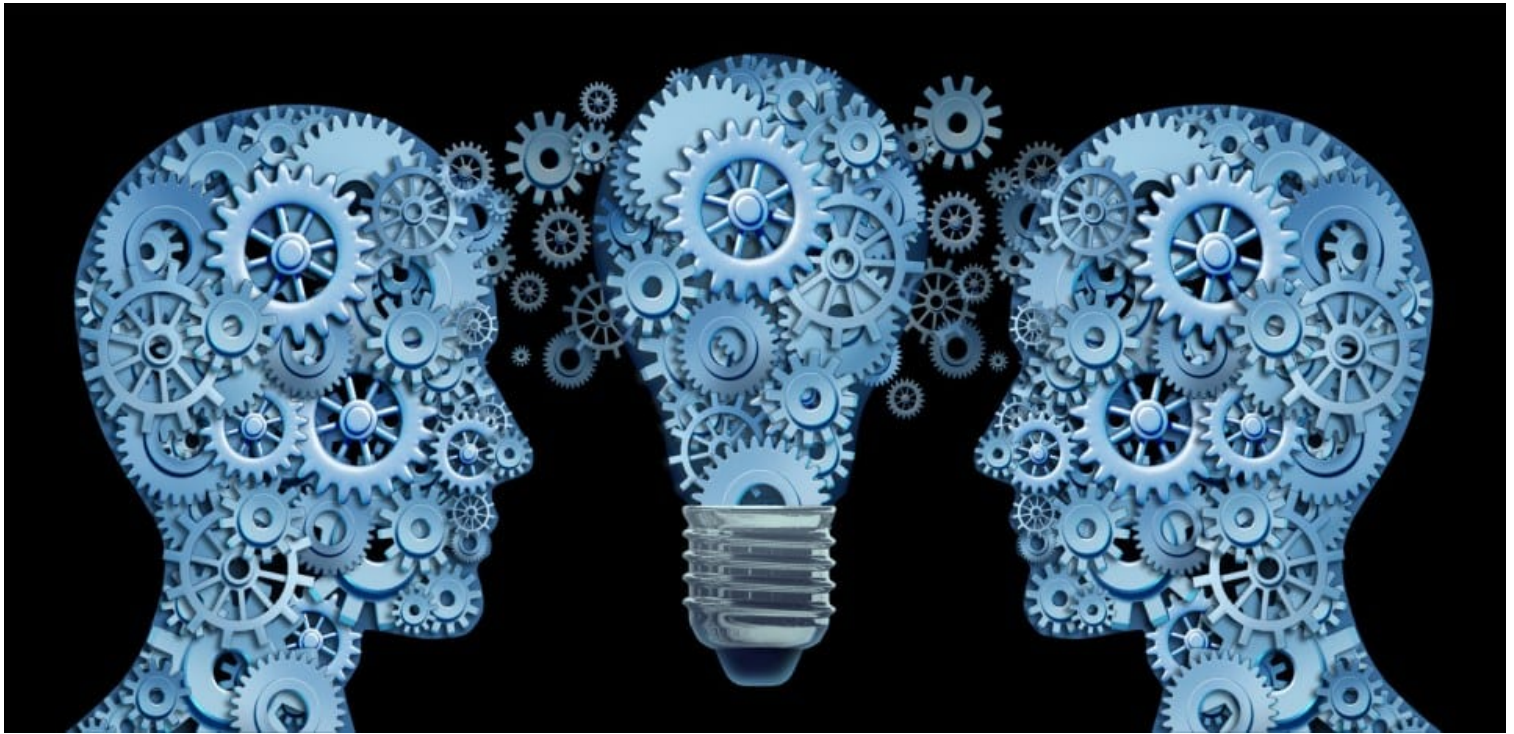
Be sure to sign up early! Participation is limited to the first 350 students. An email confirming your registration will be sent on or before Feb. 12.

A note to faculty and staff: We are seeking faculty and staff to volunteer at the physical agility test events. If you would like to volunteer to assist, please email Kerry Weber at kalickweberkc@sunybroome.edu

Design with a difference: Take the Aging Innovation Challenge

February 8, 2018

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The Aging Innovation Challenge is looking for students to develop new solutions to an aging issue. Accept the challenge for a chance to present your innovation to a panel of judges and take home a prize from the \$50,000 pool.

The New York State Department of Health has partnered with HeroX, an online platform that uses crowdsourcing, to challenge college and university students to consider the needs of older adults with limitations in performing one or more activities of daily living (ADLs). ADLs include taking a bath or shower, getting dressed, using the bathroom, getting up from a chair, walking across a room, and eating a meal. In collaboration with the Empire State Development Corporation and the SUNY Research Foundation, students participating in the Challenge will be encouraged to develop solutions that will have a lasting impact.

There are approximately 2.9 million New Yorkers over the age of 65. By the year 2025, that number is expected to rise by 26 percent. Thirty-five percent of New Yorkers age 65 and older require assistance with one or more ADL – which include eating, bathing, dressing, toileting, and transferring. The competition is set to advance solutions to help New York serve a growing population of aging citizens needing assistance to remain safely in their homes.

The next big invention to change the quality of life of older adults and those who care for them may come from a student in a New York college or university.

Will you be the one?

Submissions are due April 30. For more information, visit HeroX.com and search for the Aging Innovation or go to herox.com/aginginnovationNY.

[Aging Innovation Challenge Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

Formula for Success: Paul returns to school and lands a new career

February 8, 2018

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Paul Reardon

Paul Reardon always had an affinity for numbers – the practical sort that define businesses’ successes or failures, and help companies chart the future.

These days, you can find him crunching numbers as a bookkeeper for the Binghamton Tennis Center and tutoring students in SUNY Broome’s Business Lab. Reardon, who graduated from SUNY Broome in December with an Accounting degree, is a nominee for the Vanguard Award, which is administered by the New York State Nontraditional Employment & Training (NET) Program. The award goes to outstanding students in fields that are considered non-traditional for their gender.

As it happens, accounting is a career considered non-traditional for men, at least at some levels of the

profession.

“I think it’s because the Associate’s is more geared toward becoming a bookkeeper,” Reardon mused. “I never thought about the gender ratio; I just wanted a new career.”

Career options with accounting can be broad, and include businesses large and small, government, healthcare and nonprofit organizations. It’s one of the reasons Reardon chose the field.

“No matter what the economy is doing, businesses need to keep track of their money,” he said.

Changing paths

The Vestal native minored in accounting at SUNY Plattsburgh, but opted for a bachelor’s degree in business administration and management. When he returned home, the available management jobs were in retail, sometimes with weeks of more than 70 hours.

After some years he changed paths, doing direct care at a local development center for the disabled. In many respects, it was a great opportunity with a 40-hour week and health benefits. That ended when a client knocked him unconscious, an incident that shook Reardon deeply.

He worked a variety of jobs after that – any he could get, he admitted – but decided he wanted a different, more stable future. Using his accounting minor to land a position seemed ideal, but it didn’t prove a viable option.

“I tried to find a bookkeeping position, but no one would hire me because I didn’t have the experience,” he said.

He decided to attend SUNY Broome, where he majored in accounting and graduated in just two semesters. Many of his credits toward his bachelor’s degree transferred to Broome, he noted.

“I didn’t think the education I got here was any less valuable than the education I received in Plattsburgh,” he said of his SUNY Broome experience. “I like the professors and I like how involved they are. I can always find a professor here; they’re always around on campus.”

The second time around

An adult student and a father, he took his college experience more seriously than when he initially attended Plattsburgh. He had a grade point average of 3.0 when he attended the northern New York college – respectable, but not the 4.0 he achieved both semesters at SUNY Broome.

“I studied hard and worked hard and maintained my GPA,” he said. “I actually applied myself and did well.”

He became more deeply involved with campus life, too. (At Plattsburgh, his extracurricular activities largely consisted of skiing with friends in the state’s majestic Adirondack mountains.) At SUNY Broome, he joined the Business Club and Alpha Beta Gamma, the international business honor society, where he helped raised funds for Toys for Tots, among other initiatives.

“I still go to the Business Club every week, even though I’m not a student,” he said.

You also will see him in the Business Lab, where he tutors students in accounting, a gig he plans to keep until he enters graduate school. As a tutor, he uses his real-life experience from his bookkeeping job to illustrate concepts to students, a measure they appreciate.

Looking ahead

Looking ahead, Reardon plans to attend Binghamton University for graduate school and become a certified public accountant (CPA). In the meantime, he is preparing for the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), which he needs for graduate school.

Eventually, he's interested in doing accounting work for the State of New York, and already took the civil service test for the Department of Taxation and Finance.

But there's another path that calls him, too: teaching. In addition to his tutoring experience, he coaches girls' softball and soccer and enjoys helping others reach their potential.

While he's looking forward to future possibilities, he is currently enjoying a job in the field he trained for – a plus one on any balance sheet.

“I do exactly what I wanted to do,” he said.

Feb. 15 Common Hour: 911 Good Samaritan Law

February 8, 2018

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Join Sgt. Sammy Davis from the Broome County Sheriff's Office (also a Criminal Justice & Emergency Services faculty member) for a discussion of the 911 Good Samaritan Law at 11 a.m. Feb. 15 in T-012.



Attention Advisors: New course opportunity for March and April

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Are you advising students who need credits to maintain full-time status or keep their Student Village assignment? Do your students need academic strategies and skills content to promote success? Perhaps a student on probation could benefit from additional study skills training.

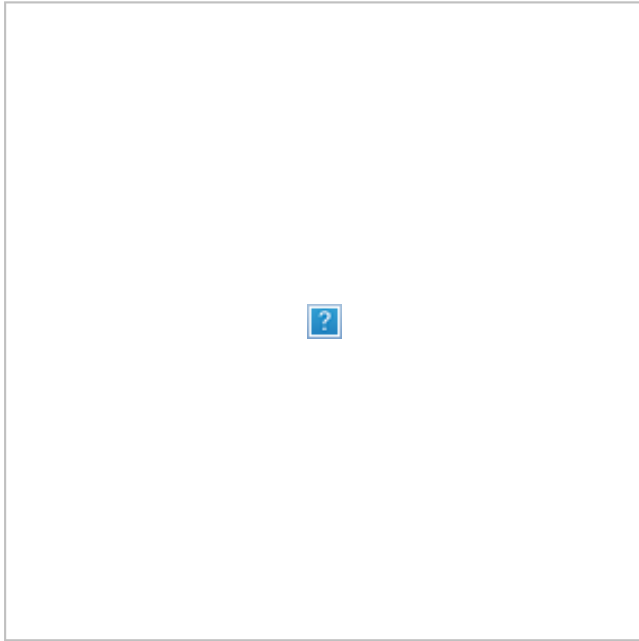
The Learning Assistance Department is pleased to offer (CRN# 55355) LRS 108 in a **fully online** delivery format from March 6 through April 16:

LRS 108 – Study Management, Memory & Exams will cover basic principles for academic success, learning styles, time management, memory strategies and test-taking skills.

Feb. 21 Entrepreneurship meeting to feature EAP client

February 8, 2018

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Breaking Down the Silos, a community of supportive entrepreneurs, will meet at 5 p.m. Feb. 21 at the Koffman Southern Tier Incubator at 120 Hawley St. in Binghamton.

This month's meeting features catering by Sara Liu of Parlor City Vegan. Liu recently graduated from SUNY Broome's Entrepreneurial Assistance Program (EAP) and won top prize in EAP's business plan competition.

Breaking Down the Silos is a partnership of SUNY Broome, Binghamton University, the City of Binghamton, SCORE, The Agency, the Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce and the Entrepreneurs Alliance. The event will feature networking, hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. [Click here to register.](#)

[Silos Flyer Feb 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

Approved 2017-2018 Tech Fee

February 8, 2018

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Attached, please find the approved Tech Fee purchases for 2017–2018.

Please be sure to follow the guideline procedures for all purchases and coordinate them through Randy Campbell. After coordinating your Tech Fee purchases with Randy Campbell, Rhoda Neal will then transfer Tech Fee funding to cover all approved purchases.

[Approved 2017 18 Tech Fee \(PDF\)](#)

Mock Disaster: Call out for formal clothing donations

February 8, 2018

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The Mock Disaster Committee is looking for formal clothing donations. Have any old ties, men's dress shirts and pants, or dresses, skirts and blouses you'd like to donate? Please consider donating them for the event!

All donations can be dropped off in Decker 217 (Erin O'Hara-Leslie's office_ or send an email to oharaleslieek@sunybroome.edu and we can arrange to have them picked up.

Please note: Donated clothing will be damaged during this event.



Scenes from the 2014 Mock Environmental Disaster drill

Medical Assisting students conduct blood pressure screenings on more than 100 people

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Medical Assisting program seniors held a blood pressure screening event in the Student Center on Tuesday, February 6. They screened more than 100 students, faculty and staff screened in just two hours!

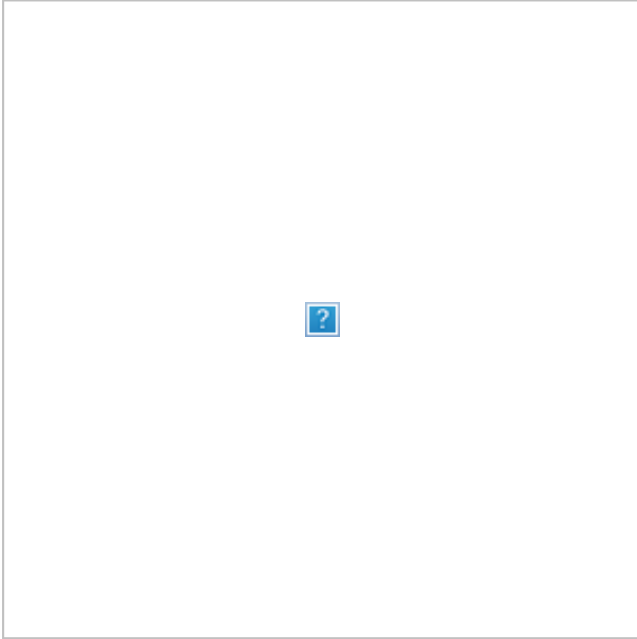
Thank you to the SUNY Broome campus community for helping the MA students perfect their skills.



From the Desk of Dr. Battisti: Spring 2018

February 8, 2018

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As our new semester continues, we are all focused on offering our students a meaningful educational experience. Because of the work we have chosen, we are fortunate to have the opportunity to positively impact the future of many individuals. The planning, preparation and execution of the teaching/learning experience takes the collective work of all segments of our college.

The collaborative atmosphere that is needed to offer quality education requires our continuous efforts to assess and enhance what we do. With this in mind, I have attached the bi-monthly Academic Affairs Board of Trustees Report (Jan. 2018) that lists some such activities. The energy that goes into each of these listed programs underlies the commitment that our campus community has to our academic mission.

[January 2018 BoT Report \(PDF\)](#)

Two improvements that will continue to have major impact on our campus for years to come are the major update and expansion to our computer system and mainframe and the update to our WIFI system by purchasing Aruba hardware, software, and implementation services which will upgrade the College's wireless infrastructure and allows BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). We will replace our current hardware with controllers that allow up to 256 devices and add many additional wireless access devices in each new building.

In summary, I wish each of you a successful and fulfilling semester and look forward to continuing our working relationship.

Francis L. Battisti, Ph.D.

Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer

SUNY Distinguished Service Professor

The Passing of Professor Lou Lange

February 8, 2018

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[In Memoriam logo](#)



The campus community mourns the passing of Professor Ludwig (Lou) Lange, who passed away Feb. 5, 2018, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. He was 92 years old.

Lou was a valued member of SUNY Broome's Engineering Science, Physics and Physical Sciences departments for many years. He arrived at the college in 1964 and was instrumental in forming the Radiation Protection Committee. He retired from the college in 1996, and moved to a retirement community in Cape Cod with his wife, Christina.

Outside of the classroom, Professor Lange was an avid painter and cartoonist, and enjoyed listening to classical music.

"Professor Lou Lange was an amazing educator," said Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti. "He was one of my math professors when I was a student and he was always helpful, concerned with the progress of his students and an excellent role model."

Find balance: Open sessions in stress management and mindfulness

February 8, 2018

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SUNY Broome's Counseling Services is offering four open sessions in stress management and mindfulness this semester.

These open sessions are free and available to students who want to learn how to handle their stress and learn techniques to find balance in their life between school, home, work, family and friends. Seating is limited!

Sessions run from 11 to 11:50 a.m. on Feb. 15, March 15, April 12 and May 10 in Student Services Room 210. Pre-registration is required; call Melissa Martin at (607) 778-5210. You can register for one, all four or any combination.

In the Community: Masquerade Ball on Feb. 10

February 6, 2018

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Little Italy Endicott is presenting a Carnevale di Venezia Masquerade Ball from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Sons of Italy, 126 Odell Ave., Endicott.

The cost is \$35 per person. Cocktail attire and a mask are requested. The event will feature hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, raffles and live music by Sabor Latino.

Tickets can be purchased at:

Antonio's Bar & Trattoria • 100 Oak Hill Ave, Endicott

Jarets Stuffed Cupcakes • 116 Oak Hill Ave, Endicott

Or by calling: 607.444.1701

[Carnivale Flyer 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

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Your Voice Matters for Faculty and Staff on Feb. 27

February 6, 2018

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Join us for the faculty and staff edition of Your Voice Matters from 11 a.m. to noon Feb. 27 in D-201.

This is a forum for faculty and staff to express concerns and make suggestions about major issues that affect our campus. There will also be the option for participants to submit their concerns anonymously on the Shared Governance website prior to the forum.

Issues and concerns at the forum will be forwarded as appropriate for consideration.

[Your Voice Matters for faculty and staff only](#)



Need food? Fresh Fridays comes to campus Feb. 9, March 2, April 13 and May 4

February 6, 2018

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The Mobile Food Pantry from the Southern Tier Food Bank will be on campus to distribute food to those in need during Fresh Fridays.

Distribution will be in the Student Village parking lot from 10 to 11 a.m. February 9, March 2, April 13, and May 4.



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Doctoral Colloquium Presentation with Dr. John Pierog

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“A Study of Variables Related to the Composite Degree of Satisfaction with Faculty, Administration and Major Field of Study at York College of Pennsylvania with Implications for Institutional Planners”

The research project examined various groups of students to determine those groups where significant differences existed with respect to the composite degree of satisfaction with faculty, administration and major field of study. Thirty groups of students were studied. Nine of these groups were determined to differ significantly in their degree of satisfaction. Item analysis was then performed in order to determine those statements which significantly contributed to these differences in satisfaction.

When: Wednesday, February 7, 2018

Venue: TRC Conference (LI 101)

Time: 3:00 pm- 4:30 pm

Presenter: Dr. John Pierog

Register: [Register Here](#)

Upcoming Presentations:

March 14, 2018 Stephanie Malmberg (Doctoral Candidate)

April 11, 2018 Dr. Melyssa Wrisley

May 9, 2018 Dr. Tracy Curtis

If you are interested in offering a presentation please contact Dr. Michael Kinney

at kinneym@sunybroome.edu

In the Community: Benefit for Megan Santa Croce on Feb. 10

February 6, 2018

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Join us from 5 to 9 p.m. Feb. 10 at St. Francis of Assisi [1031 Chenango St, Binghamton, NY 13901](https://www.google.com/maps/place/1031+Chenango+St,+Binghamton,+NY+13901) as we join together to benefit and support Megan Santa Croce and her family!

Megan is battling cancer for the second time (a rare cancer called Sertoli Leydig) and we wish to provide support and love in any way we can. You can view Megan's story

here: <https://www.consumersafety.org/news/health/my-ovarian-cancer-story-chemo-is-like-ice-cream/>

TICKETS: \$10 for Admission, which includes pasta dinner and drinks (beer and soda)
12 & younger are free!

There will be basket raffles, a Chinese auction and a 50/50 raffles. Entertainment will be provided by Megan's alum a capella group, Treblemakers, as well as The Dance Connection and Rooster and the Roadhouse Horns!

If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation, please contact Krista Shoemaker (607-206-8215) or Rob Moss (607-343-3162)

Transferring to a SUNY college? Save up to \$350!

February 6, 2018

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SUNY Broome graduates will receive seven **free** SUNY application fee waivers and save up to \$350 if they're looking to transfer to a SUNY school. To be eligible, students must use a SUNY application.

Pick up a SUNY Viewbook in Student Services 210 to explore your options. Transfer questions? Get answers at Counseling Services. Visit Student Services Room 210 or call (607) 778-5210.



Tips: You can prevent the flu

February 6, 2018

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You Can PREVENT THE FLU

1. Avoid close contact.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.

2. Stay home when you are sick.

If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.

3. Cover your mouth and nose.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick.

4. Clean your hands.

Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs.

5. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.

Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.

6. Practice other good health habits.

Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.



Source: Center for Disease Control and Prevention

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Getting your flu shot is the first and best defense against the flu. But even if you've received your flu shot, you can still get the flu. There are several steps you can take to prevent coming down with the flu this season.

If you're not feeling well, we have a medical provider on staff. Provider hours are posted on the SUNY Broome Student Health Services webpage. You can call us at 607-778-5181 or

email healthservices@sunybroome.edu.

<http://www2.sunybroome.edu/safety/health-services/>

Upcoming Board of Trustees meetings

February 5, 2018

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

- February 20, 2018 (Tuesday) – Monthly meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee, 9:00 a.m., Wales Administration Center Conference Room 107.
- February 22, 2018 (Thursday) – Monthly meeting of the Board, 5:00 p.m., Decker Health Science Building Libous Room D117.

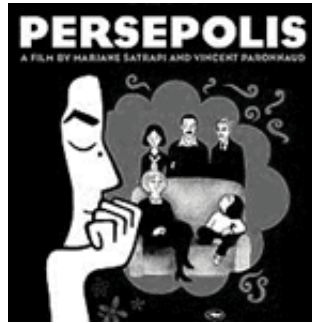
All meeting sites are on the SUNY Broome campus and open to the press and public.



Join Phi Theta Kappa for the Spring 2018 International Film Series

February 5, 2018

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Phi Theta Kappa

presents

International Film Series, Spring 2018

All films in TH 101 at 7pm

Note: This is a **Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society-sponsored film series** designed to support the current Honors Study Topic, which is *Transformations: Acknowledging, Assessing and Achieving Change*.

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 at: byrnesij@sunybroome.edu

The scholarly goal of the film series 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. This particular series examines women's issues from a global perspective.

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 Titchener Hall, Room 101, on the dates noted below.

Wednesday, February 20

Jeanne Dielman, 23, Quai du Commerce, 1080, Bruxelles



(Belgium, 1975)

Directed by Chantal Ackerman.

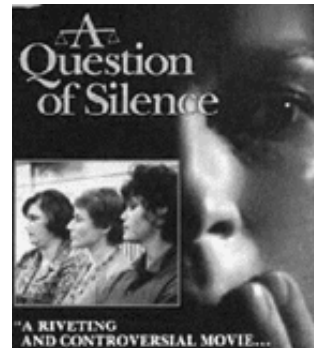
A lonely widowed housewife does her daily chores, takes care of her apartment where she lives with her teenage son, and turns the occasional trick to make ends meet. However, something happens that challenges her safe routine.

Wednesday, March 7

A Question of Silence

(1982, Netherlands)

Directed by Marleen Gorris



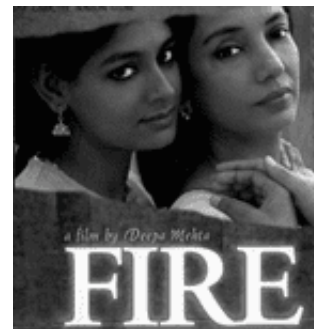
Three women, strangers to each other, meet in a dress boutique and beat the shop proprietor to death. Other female shoppers ignore the whole situation and leave when the crime is complete. The court-appointed female psychiatrist who examine the women comes up with a unique defense.

Wednesday April 11

Fire

(1996, India)

Directed by Deepa Mehta



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

Wednesday April 25

The Magdalene Sisters

(2002, Ireland)



Directed by Peter Mullan

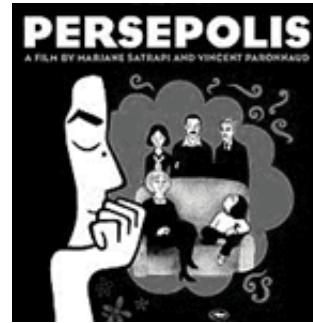
Three young Irish women struggle to maintain their spirits while they endure dehumanizing abuse as inmates of a Magdalene asylum, a home for sinful women.

Wednesday May 8

Persepolis

(2007, Iran)

Directed by Marjane Satrapi &
Vincent Paronnaud

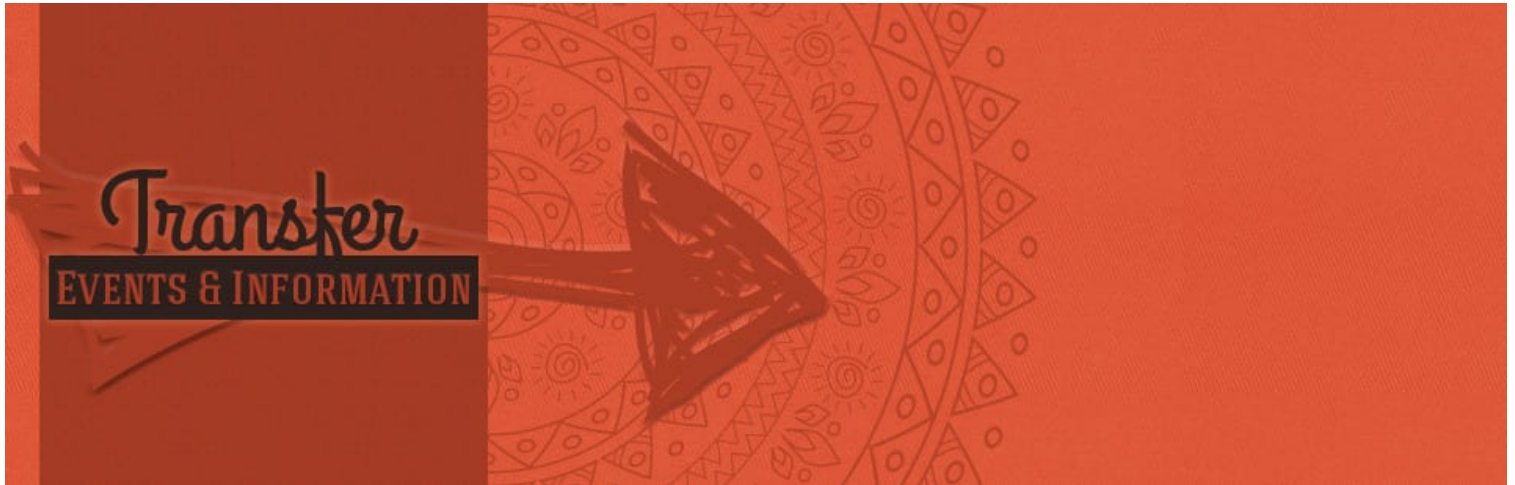


The poignant story of a young girl in Iran during the Islamic Revolution. It is through the eyes of precocious and outspoken nine year old Marjane that we see a people's hopes dashed as fundamentalists take power.

Spotlight on SUNY Empire's partnership with SUNY Broome

February 5, 2018

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SUNY Empire State College Humanities and Arts Associate

Dean Megan Mullen writes:

Last October I had the pleasure of attending an open house and information session to herald the launch of a new Empire State College partnership with SUNY Broome in Binghamton. It was an enjoyable event, where I was able to meet or reconnect with people from both institutions. A [recent article in the Exchange](#) on January 18 brought this event back to mind, as it discussed a student, Trisha Glezen, who is an alumna of both SUNY Broome and Empire State College.

In addition to the ESC partnership, SUNY Broome has a partnership with the private, not-for-profit Excelsior College. Some unique attributes of the ESC partnership specifically include our individualized degree programs, faculty mentors, PLAOptions, and several of the content areas we offer students.

Terri Fadden, MSW, in the SUNY Broome Bachelor Partners Office stated that, “Although many SUNY Broome graduates have transferred to SUNY Empire over the years, the formation of a closer relationship between these two colleges could foster increased ESC visibility to non-traditional SUNY Broome students exploring transfer options and provide a smoother transition for those who choose ESC.”

Dr. Paul Miller, Assistant Professor in Historical Studies and the Faculty Academic Coordinator for the Binghamton location, has been ESC's lead in this initiative. He credits great relationships with Fadden and others at SUNY Broome as key to the partnership's success – along with the presence of ESC faculty on the community college campus to meet students and discuss what the transfer would entail.

Miller explains, “This is our third agreement with SUNY Broome. The other two were pathways agreements with the media and human services departments. The partnership program is a sort of ‘uber’ pathway agreement.” He further states that:

through this partnership, students can take up to 79 credits at SUNY Broome before transferring to ESC. As students complete the program, they receive mentoring from ESC faculty, while completing credits at SUNY Broome. ESC faculty help students select foundation courses at Broome with eventual AOS requirements in mind.

Miller is not the only ESC faculty member involved in the partnership, either. As of late January, according to Fadden, 81 SUNY Broome students had made appointments to speak with one of the Binghamton location faculty: Miller, Barbara Rivera, or Roni O'Geen.

Several people I've communicated with believe that what has been accomplished in Binghamton would work with other community colleges as well. Perhaps too, Miller suggests, what works with the SUNY Broome partnership could "be applied to a major employer or government agency, anywhere with prospects."

Star students: Meet James and Orion, All-USA Scholarship winners

February 5, 2018

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James Gill

Whether it's business or math, martial arts or civic engagement, James Gill and Orion Barber are proud Hornets — and role models at SUNY Broome.

Both are actively involved in the college's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, and were recently selected for the international honor society's prestigious All-USA Scholarship.

The All-USA Academic Team recognizes high achieving two-year college students who demonstrate academic excellence and intellectual rigor combined with leadership and service that extends their education beyond the classroom to benefit society. Twenty team members are named annually, with each receiving a

\$5,000 scholarship.

James Gill

James, who was technically homeschooled, began taking classes at SUNY Broome in 2015 when he was still considered a high school student. The sophomore Business Administration major, who will graduate this May, plans to attend Binghamton University's School of Management in 2018. His ultimate goal: Earn an MBA and pursue a rewarding career in supply chain management.

Professor Steven Ohl encouraged James, prompting his interest in supply chain management. "It's a really interesting field and really important in this age of globalization," James explained.

Currently vice president of media relations for PTK, James is also an accomplished martial artist. He has studied the Korean art of Tae-Kwon-Do for the last seven years and currently holds a blue belt, the third highest rank in the art. He's currently training for his brown belt, one rank below the coveted black.

His father works part-time at Greater Binghamton Airport, which has given James and his family the opportunity to travel the world. So far, James has been to Italy, Germany, Austria, Japan and the United Kingdom.

"It's a really good starting place for students like myself. It's very local, so I've been able to stay in touch with my community here," James said of his SUNY Broome experience. "I've met so many wonderful professors here. Many of them had experience outside of academia, which is really important."

Orion Barber



Orion Barber

When it comes to campus life, Orion Barber is a bit like his namesake constellation: bright and highly visible.

Orion is deeply involved in campus life as president both of the college's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and president of [the Women's Discussion Group](#) (he was the only member from the previous year). As the student representative on the college's Board of Trustees, he takes part in a decision-making process that affects the

college as a whole, serving alongside community leaders and the college's president.

He has a passion for civic engagement and has participated in variety of progressive causes off-campus, including volunteer work for political campaigns and marshalling marches for Citizen Action. He's also been recently invited to the International Scholar Laureate Program, and is a Congressionally Commended Eagle Scout.

Orion is currently working toward two degrees: an A.S. in Mathematics and an A.A.S. in Paralegal Studies, a testament to his passion for numbers and for civic engagement. Ultimately, he hopes to pursue mathematics as a field, although he's open to his career options: professor, researcher and big data scientist, to name a few.

"One of the things I love about math is it's such a broad topic that I'm comfortable not knowing exactly where my career path will be," Orion reflected.

His ultimate transfer school is the University of Oxford in Great Britain, the oldest university in the entire English-speaking world. He has a deep appreciation for British culture as well as its healthcare system, fostered during an applied learning trip he took to Cornwall in the summer of 2016. Another long-term dream: return to France, where he did a brief exchange student program in Union-Endicott High School.

On-campus construction activities for the week of Feb. 5

February 5, 2018

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- Roof decking has been placed on the Connector roof and entrance-way canopies between the new Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center and the Business Building.
- Demolition continues between the AT Building and the new Calice Center. Please advise if the noise created by this demolition causes disruption to classes in the AT Building.
- Excavation for the new elevator in Calice continues.
- Installation of duct work and exterior brick work continues.
- Interior priming and painting continues.

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



Calling all adult learners: Time Management workshop Feb. 7

February 4, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Are you, or do you know, an adult learner trying to balance school, work and family and maintain a personal life? It can be challenging. Let SUNY Broome help!

Join us for a Time Management webinar at 6 p.m. Feb. 7 at 6 pm. [Click here to sign up today.](#)

[A man and a clock](#)



The Monday Poem: ‘The New Colossus’ by Emma Lazarus

February 4, 2018

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

The New Colossus

by Emma Lazarus

Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,
With conquering limbs astride from land to land;
Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name
MOTHER OF EXILES. From her beacon-hand
Glowes world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command
The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.

“Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!” cries she
With silent lips. “Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!”



About this poem

It's a sonnet written to help raise money for the pedestal of the Statue of Liberty. It was engraved on the statue's pedestal in 1903. Of late it has become a bit controversial among politicians. Current political histrionics aside the poem has become an important piece of American culture. John F. Kennedy quoted it in his book, *A Nation of Immigrants*, classical composer David Ludwig set the poem to music, American Poet Sylvia Plath referred to it in her poem *Lady Lazarus*. *Irving Berlin and Alfred Hitchcock also quoted it in their works*. We'll close this little missive with a quotation by one of America's more highly regarded current authors, Paul Auster:

"Bartholdi's gigantic effigy was originally intended as a monument to the principles of international [republicanism](#), but 'The New Colossus' reinvented the statue's purpose, turning Liberty into a welcoming mother, a symbol of hope to the outcasts and downtrodden of the world."

Feb. 8 Common Hour: Scholarships for SUNY Broome students

February 4, 2018

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Join representatives from the BCC Foundation to find out how you can become a candidate for the many scholarships offered by the college and its four academic divisions. The event begins at 11 a.m. Feb. 8 in T-102.



The Great Books Discussion begins on Feb. 9

February 4, 2018

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This semester's Great Books Discussion will begin at noon Friday, Feb. 9, in T-210, the Liberal Arts conference room.

The books that will be discussed during the Spring 2018 semester are *A Visit from the Goon Squad* by Jennifer Egan, winner of the Pulitzer Prize, and *Snow* by Orhan Pamuk, a Nobel Prize winner. These books have earned acclaim as notable books of the 21st century.

The event is sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and the English Department. For more information, contact I.J. Byrnes at byrnesij@sunybroome.edu.

Black History Month Lunch and a Movie: 'Dear White People' on Feb. 6

February 4, 2018

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Join the President's Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion on Feb. 6 for a showing of *Dear White People*. View the movie over lunch and discuss it afterward.

The event runs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 6 in Decker 117. Attendees will receive tickets to see *Black Panther* at Regal Cinema on Feb. 18.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH
Lunch & a Movie



DEAR WHITE PEOPLE

February 6th
Decker 117

11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Attend & receive free movie
tickets to see Black Panther



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Attention students: Scholarship applications are now available!

February 4, 2018

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The Broome Community College Foundation's [online Scholarship Application](http://www.sunybroome.edu/scholarshipsonline) is now open for students interested in applying for scholarships.

The deadline for continuing students to apply will be Feb. 23, 2018. The deadline for prospective students (incoming freshman) will be March 30, 2018.

Please see the Foundation Office in the Wales Building Room 201 with any questions.



Changing Lives: Samuel strives to make a difference as a Physical Therapist Assistant

February 2, 2018

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Samuel Payzant holds the model of a hip replacement. Physical Therapist Assistants help patients recover mobility following surgery, injury or other impairment.

Samuel Payzant has seen firsthand how physical therapy can change lives.

His wife suffered a brain injury as a teenager, and has undergone physical therapy for the last 20 years. Once in a wheelchair with impaired speech and vision, she has since recovered her speech, walks with a cane and

made more of a recovery than the doctors initially thought possible.

“Being a part of her recovery showed me how important it is to include the human need for wholeness and integrating goals, lifestyle and motivations into recovery,” said Payzant, who is graduating from the Physical Therapist Assistant program in May.

The Elmira-area resident recently won the Vanguard Award, which is administered by the New York State Nontraditional Employment & Training (NET) Program. The award goes to outstanding students in fields that are considered non-traditional for their gender. This isn’t his first non-traditional career, however. He graduated with a bachelor’s degree in elementary education from Mansfield University, with the intention of entering the field.

Unfortunately, he ended up looking for a job at precisely the same time many school districts were laying off teachers in the wake of the recession. While Payzant worked as a substitute teacher for years and then as a student debt collector, he wasn’t able to secure a full-time job in the field. It was time for a career change.

His wife’s physical therapist and his aunt, who works as a sports PT, both recommended the program. Additionally, his sister Hannah Meyn, a SUNY Broome Nursing graduate and a nurse at UHS Wilson Hospital, also recommended looking into SUNY Broome.

The program is demanding, but helps students develop the skills and knowledge they need. Students also work together as a class, developing the teamwork mindset they will need in the field.

“The resources and the support are there to do well if you want to,” Payzant said.

Helping fellow students

At SUNY Broome, Payzant shared his talents as a biology tutor for the Learning Assistance Department and as a Supplemental Instruction (SI) leader for BIO 090/131.

“A few students told they passed because of the help I provided them in SI. I was happy to be a part of the success of all the students I worked with,” he said.

He also participated in the new peer mentoring community internship with Dr. John Pierog, helping develop the program for future students. The first five weeks of the course prepare mentors to help incoming freshmen with writing, navigating the campus and taking advantage of campus resources, Payzant explained. Then mentors are assigned to students, helping them succeed in their first semester.

Payzant also became one of the PTA class officers during his time at SUNY Broome. He received the Judith C Peckham and Steven L Amell scholarships from the Broome Community College Foundation and plans to pay it forward, establishing a scholarship in honor of his sister Hannah, who passed away last October.

Creating a caring environment

Samuel can be considered a non-traditional student in two ways: by gender and by age. His classes are typically about two-thirds female and one-third male, he said. As someone who earned a prior degree in elementary education, he is accustomed to being in the minority, gender-wise.

“I’m more of a soft-spoken, quiet person, which puts me in that kind of field where there is a more caring, nurturing environment,” he explained.

In his 30s, he’s also a little older than the traditional college student and he acknowledges the challenge in

balancing coursework with the needs of a household. Despite the bumps in the road, the journey will help him achieve his end goal: to have a positive impact on the life of others.

While working through the PTA program, he also became a certified personal trainer (CPT) and corrective exercise specialist (CES) through online classes with the National Academy of Sports Medicine. After graduating, he hopes to work as a Physical Therapist Assistant in a hospital or outpatient setting, supplemented by a side career as a corrective exercise specialist, working with people who want assistance in returning to function. Many insurance companies only pay for 20 physical therapy visits per year, and work with a CES – while out of pocket – is an affordable option for those who are over the annual limit.

“Working hard to provide care and service to others is the essential foundation of a career in healthcare and offers me the greatest opportunity to have a positive impact on the world,” he said.

Upcoming Professional Development Events

February 2, 2018

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Professional Development logo



Accessibility Fundamentals for Digital Content

Awareness of some of the barriers and solutions to accessibility, as well as practicing ADA compliance and universal design principals, can ensure universal access to your course. This workshop introduces the principles of accessibility and how you can apply them to your digital content for online and face-to-face learning environments.

When: Monday, February 12th

Venue: TRC Lab

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Presented by: Cagatay Dogan

Register: [Register Here](#)

GOOGLE FORMS

Tired of collating information from multiple people across a dozen emails? Consider using a Google Form instead. Google Forms are a simple way to collect targeted information from your colleagues. The form responses are sent to a spreadsheet that makes it easy for you to view, download, share, and display the responses. The TRC has been using Google Forms for years to assist us with taking registrations for workshops, collecting abstracts for conferences, and completing committee work. Google Forms provide a lot of flexibility and options, making it possible to get the information you need. Join us to learn how to:

Create a basic form and share it.

Set editing and access rights to control data sharing.

Link your form to a spreadsheet.

And much more.

When: Thursday, February 15, 2018

Venue: TRC Lab

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Presenter: Jamie Heron

Register: [Register Here](#)

Scholarship Letters of Recommendation

February 2, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Scholarships logo



The BCC Foundation scholarship application deadline is fast approaching. If a student has requested a letter of recommendation from you, please expedite it back as quickly as possible so that all students have the opportunity to be considered for Foundation scholarships. The deadline for students to apply is Feb. 23, 2018. Letters of recommendation should be submitted no later than Monday, Feb. 26, 2018, by midnight.

Please contact the Foundation office with any questions by email to Foundation@sunybroome.edu or call us at 778-5047.

Get fit: Join the Student Wellness Challenge by Feb. 12!

February 2, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Think you're fit? Want to get fit?

The [SUNY Broome Student Wellness Challenge](#) may be for you!

Criminal Justice & Emergency Services, Physical Education and Sport Studies and Student Health Services are sponsoring a challenge to motivate our students to work toward achieving better fitness in Spring 2018. It is based on the New York State Municipal Police Training Council Fitness standards, which measure fitness using running ability, sit-ups and push-ups. The ultimate goal will be to meet or exceed the standards, but participants can set their own goals and work toward improvement.

The Challenge will start on February 15 with an initial assessment and end on April 26 with a final evaluation. A progress assessment will also be offered on March 29 to let participants check their status against their goals. Assessments will be conducted from 2 to 4 p.m. on the dates noted.

Any student who signs up for the Challenge and completes the initial assessment will receive a Wellness Challenge water bottle. Participants who successfully complete the Challenge will receive a Certificate of Completion and a T-Shirt.

Prizes will also be awarded for Most Improved and the leaders in each of the Challenge categories. Students are required to participate in the pre- and post-test, and are strongly encouraged to participate in the mid-test to measure their progress.

Suggested clothing: Workout clothing including sweatsuits or shorts and T-shirt as well as a good pair of gym shoes. Sign up for the challenge before February 12 by [clicking here and filling out the form](#).

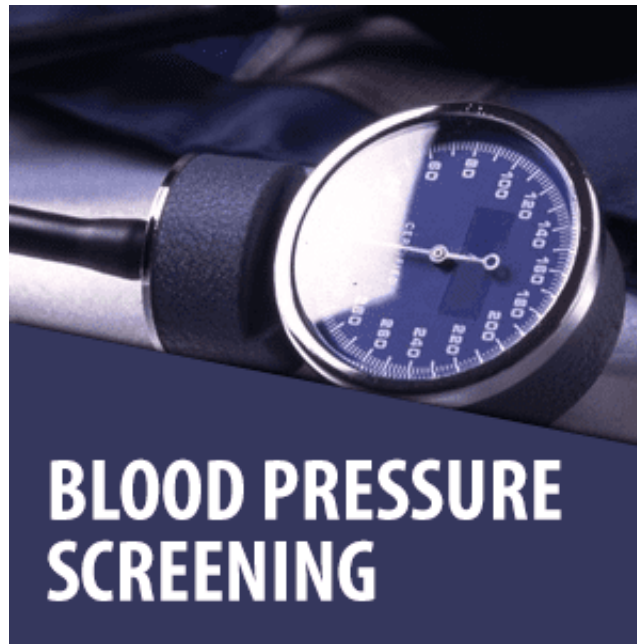
Be sure to sign up early! Participation is limited to the first 350 students. An email confirming your registration will be sent on or before Feb. 12.

A note to faculty and staff: We are seeking faculty and staff to volunteer at the physical agility test events. If you would like to volunteer to assist, please email Kerry Weber at kalickweberkc@sunybroome.edu

Heart healthy: Free blood pressure screening Feb. 6

February 2, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Stop by the Student Center between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6, to get a free blood pressure

[Blood pressure screening](#)



screening!

Medical Assisting seniors, joined by Professor O'Hara-Leslie and Professor McLain, will be available to provide blood pressure screenings for campus faculty, staff, and students.

Professor Montemagno achieves certification as Professional in Catering and Events

February 1, 2018

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Assistant Professor Maria K. Montemagno in SUNY Broome's Hospitality Programs Department has achieved her certification as a Professional in Catering and Events (CPCE) from the National Association for Catering and Events (NACE).

This is an extremely difficult certification to achieve, requiring an expansive curriculum vitae demonstrating extensive industry experience, noted and verified contributions to the profession, and advanced educational as well as continuous professional development achievements. The strictly timed and proctored exam is comprised of 150 detailed industry questions covering topics of special events equipment layout and design, food and beverage management and labor cost controls, sanitation, audio/visual competencies, culinary arts, and marketing and promotions.

Please join us in congratulating Maria for this extraordinary accomplishment!

Theater to hold ‘Speak Out’ project for Black History Month

February 1, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



SUNY Broome Theater is announcing “The Speak-Out Theater Project,” which will allow for original dramatic material to be possibly produced

“Our first project is for Black History Month and will consist of students reading the words of famous or notable African-Americans during Common Hour times, Theater Director Katherine Bacon said.

The project is open to any African-American on campus who would like to put in some time to participate. The only requirement is to be comfortable reading off a script and to sign up on Monday, Feb. 5, or Wednesday, Feb. 7, from 1 to 2 p.m. in front of the theater in the Student Center Lobby.

Please see the attached poster for more information.

[Poster For Speakout \(PDF\)](#)

Focus on Wellness: Productivity & Balance Newsletter

February 1, 2018

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness

Focus on Wellness logo



eni is pleased to bring you our monthly productivity and balance newsletter. This month our experts discuss organization. Please click the link below to access the newsletter and feel free to email marketing@eniweb.com or contact your Customer Relations Representative with any questions.

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In the Community: Freeze Out 5K on Feb. 23

February 1, 2018

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Help the Binghamton Rescue Mission freeze out homelessness this winter with the Freeze Out 5K!

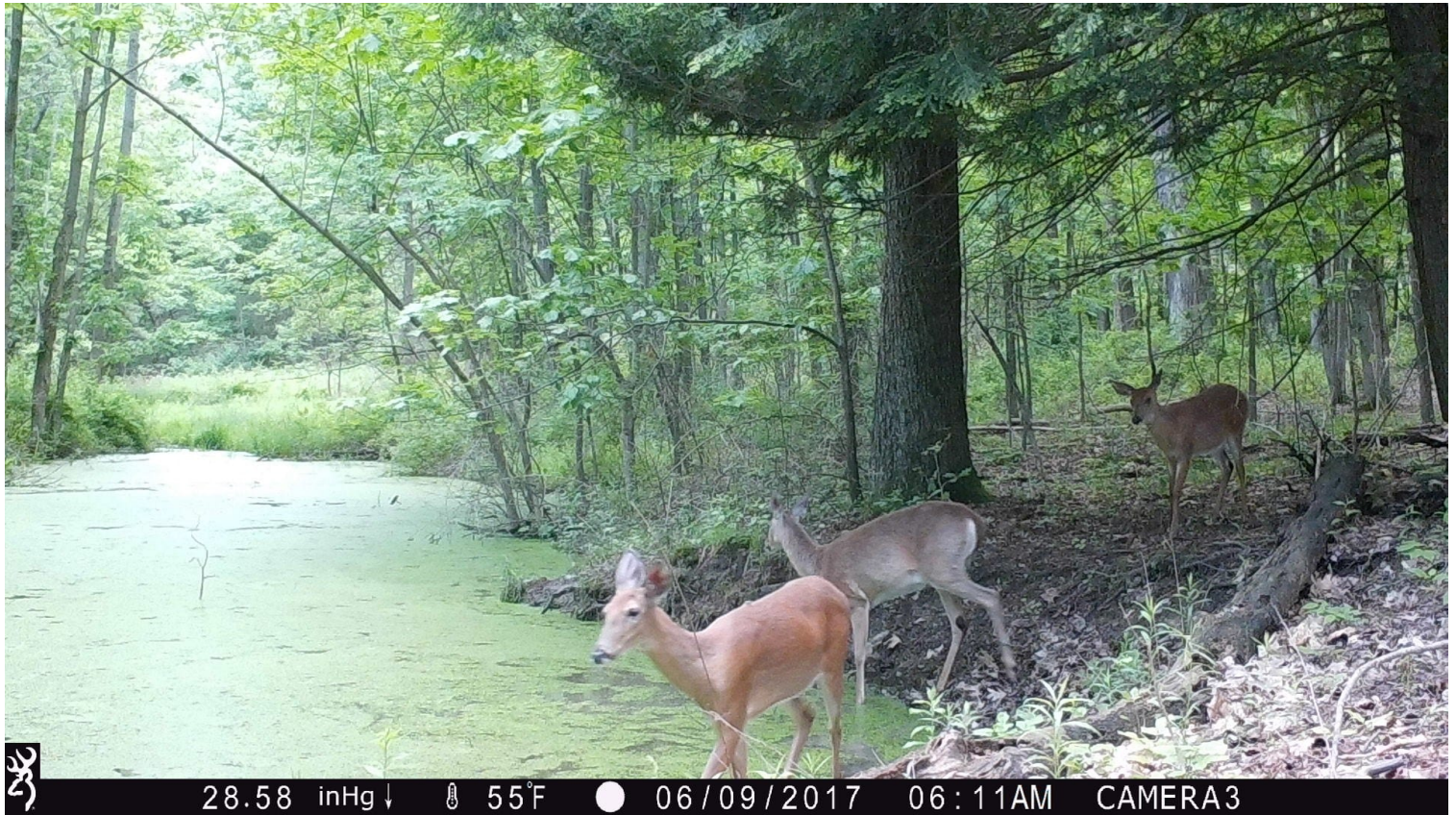
The event takes place on Friday, Feb. 23, 2018, in Endwell's Highland Park. Registration starts at 6 p.m. with the race starting at 7 p.m.

Run or walk, and enjoy great food, glow lights and accessories, fun music and a deejay. Register today at freezeout5k.com or call (607) 793-5742 for more information.

What's Up on the Trail? Changing Seasons

February 1, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Deer at a vernal pool

It might seem cold and dreary out now, but life continues in the SUNY Broome Natural Areas. Our trail cameras have been deployed for about 8 months and have already captured an amazing amount of activity—including 17 species of mammals and 16 species of birds. The cameras are sometimes “accidentally” triggered and also take a series of 8 shots when triggered, so sometimes there are pictures taken with no animals showing. This post shows the seasonal changes that have occurred near our Vernal Pool area at the top of the West Woods—starting in June and into the start of the new year.



The SUNY Broome Natural Area

Weekly Noon Walks will be starting on Tuesdays at 12 p.m. with our first one on Feb. 6, 2018. RSVP to Victor if you want to meet and go out with us!



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Here is a shot of the Steward of the Natural Areas—Victor Lamoureux of the Biology department in our West Woods. If you have questions about the Natural Areas contact him at lamoureuxvs@sunybroome.edu
For students, there are volunteer activities and independent studies available.

Get reading: The Great Books discussion begins Feb. 9

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This semester's Great Books Discussion will begin at noon Friday, Feb. 9, in the LA Conference Room in Titchener 210.

The books that will be discussed during the Spring 2018 semester are *A Visit From the Goon Squad* by Jennifer Egan (winner of the Pulitzer Prize) and *Snow* by Orhan Pamuk, a Nobel Prize Winner. These books have earned acclaim as notable books of the 21st century.

For further information, contact I.J. Byrnes at byrnesij@sunybroome.edu

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Diving in: Chelsea explores her future career in Sport Studies

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Chelsea Deuel

Sports – in various iterations — have long been an integral part of Chelsea Deuel’s life.

At Binghamton High School, she competed in track and field, indoor track, diving and cheerleading. After graduating high school, she earned her coaching certification and worked as a swimming and diving coach for two summers, an experience that made her realize a love for teaching.

Why does she love sports so much? “I have a lot of energy and I like to win,” she said.

Majoring in Sport Studies at SUNY Broome proved to be a perfect fit.

“I had a great time,” Chelsea, who will graduate in May, said of her SUNY Broome experience. “I chose the major I really enjoy doing.”



SUNY Broome Hornets cheerleaders

She loves the classes she has taken in the program, including Fitness and Wellness and Team Sports. During the latter class, she took to the court to play against faculty and staff in a charity volleyball game.

She met Coach Collin Crawford through her tennis class, and joined the small but mighty SUNY Broome women’s tennis team. The Lady Hornets were once again Region III champions and competed at the 2017 NJCAA National Tennis Championships in Georgia, where they tied for fifth place.

It was a remarkable experience for Chelsea, who also participates in Hornets cheerleading and will play on the softball team this spring.

“I made a lot of friends, especially doing a lot of sports,” she said.

It can be tough to balance competition with classwork, but Deuel gets the job done. For tough classes, such as Anatomy and Physiology, she took advantage of tutoring offered in the college’s Learning Assistance Department, making sure to make every session.



Chelsea Deuel playing tennis

“I know I would do well if I worked hard,” she said.

Deuel, who plans to transfer to SUNY Cortland and eventually become a physical education teacher, had an in-depth look into the realities of her chosen field in Professor Christine Duffy-Webb’s Introduction to American Education class. As part of the course, she spent 30 hours shadowing teachers in Port Dickinson Elementary School, Binghamton High School and Ben Franklin Elementary School.

“She played an important role in showing what a future life as an educator will entail,” she said of her professor.



Chelsea Deuel and a tennis teammate

Send a carnation to a friend and benefit the Heart Walk

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Carnations painted by
Pierre-Joseph Redouté

Do you have any colleagues or friends on campus who would love to receive a carnation on Valentine's Day to support the Heart Walk? Then click on the link below and for only \$1 you can send a carnation that will be delivered on Valentine's Day right on campus! All money is due to Deena Price in the TRC by Feb. 12.

<https://goo.gl/forms/xhV6UKmb96UiXgXQ2>

From the Desk of Dr. Drumm: Spring Term greetings

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Colleagues: I want to wish you all a fruitful, engaging and inspiring Spring Term. We continue to face challenging headwinds with all of upstate in a strong economy coupled with shrinking demographics, but we have met those challenges as well or better than any of our peers thanks to your hard work on behalf of our students. These two headwinds will be with us for a few more years but we are up to the challenge thanks to you.

I also want to thank VP Ross for her inspiring remarks regarding Black History Month which begins today. A special shout-out to all our Black students, staff, faculty and alumni as this month we attempt to merely scratch the surface of all the significant contributions Blacks have made to our society over the generations, while we also continue to try to atone for the injustices Blacks have suffered over those same generations. It is our diversity writ large that has made America the great nation it is and community colleges all across the country have played a major role in capitalizing on that diversity for 118 years now. We all should be proud to continue playing a role in this extraordinary development called the community college movement. While we have a long way to go in our nation's cultural and economic development, I couldn't begin to imagine the disparities our nation would be suffering today if not for the community college movement. And this is across the full range of diversity issues in the nation where women and students of color make up the vast majority of community college enrollment nationally and have done so for decades.

Thank you for all you do for our students and the great communities of the Southern Tier that we serve every day.

-Kevin

Kevin E Drumm, PhD
President, SUNY Broome

Stress Management and Mindfulness Group for Students

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Need to de-stress? Join our students-only stress management and mindfulness group, which will meet weekly for six weeks. In the group, you will learn and work on skills to help you manage stress and find balance this semester.

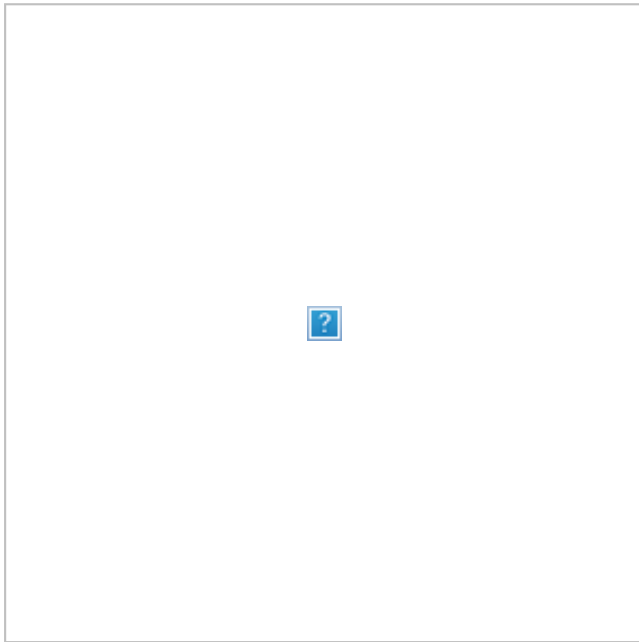
The first meeting is at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, in Counseling Services, located in Student Services Building Room 210.

Please register for the group by Feb. 8 by contacting Melissa Martin in SS-210, calling 778-5210 or emailing martinmm2@sunybroome.edu.

Call for Nominations for the SUNY Distinguished Faculty Rank

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Colleagues:

Would you like to nominate a colleague for the SUNY Distinguished Faculty Rank in one of the following categories?

- Distinguished Professorship recognizes faculty who have achieved national or international prominence through research and scholarship or artistic performance or achievement.
- The Distinguished Service Professorship recognizes faculty who have earned a notable reputation for service not only within SUNY but more broadly, to the state and nation.
- The Distinguished Teaching Professorship recognizes faculty for outstanding teaching competence at the graduate, undergraduate, or professional levels.
- The rank of Distinguished Librarian recognizes transformational contributions in creating a new information environment and fostering information literacy.

If so, **NOW** is the time!! A letter of nomination can be very brief—just a few sentences, such as “I nominate *First Name Last Name* for the SUNY Distinguished Faculty Rank in XXXXXX. He/She is deserving of this award because (insert one or more observations or experiences that led you to nominate). I recommend that *First Name Last Name* be considered a worthy candidate for this honor.

Information regarding SUNY guidelines and nomination eligibility requirements for SUNY Distinguished Faculty Rank are available here: <http://system.suny.edu/academic-affairs/faculty-staff-awards/distinguished-faculty-ranks/>

Submit your nomination letter by Friday, 2/2/18 at noon:

SUNY Distinguished Faculty Rank Committee

E-mail: SharedGovernance@sunybroome.edu

If you are emailing a nomination, please put “SUNY Distinguished Faculty Rank” in the subject line.

Thank you.

All questions should be directed to Denise Abrams, Chair of CAI at x5359 or abramsdm@sunybroome.edu

Please note that the SUNY Distinguished Faculty Rank applications are accepted twice per year, so nominations will be accepted later this year for the 9/14/18 deadline.

Thank you,

Francis L. Battisti, Ph.D.

Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer

SUNY Distinguished Service Professor

SUNY Broome Community College

Listen and donate: Dr. Battisti, Dr. Hasemann to aid phoneathon for St. Jude

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SUNY Broome Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti speaks to P-TECH students

Call 98.1 The Hawk tonight to donate to their St. Jude's Children's Hospital fundraiser and you may hear a familiar voice on the other line: SUNY Broome's own Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti, as well as Dr. Tina Hasemann, adjunct instructor in the Hospitality Programs Department.

Dr. Battisti and Dr. Hasemann will be among the local “celebrities” answering phones for the radio station’s phoneathon, which runs from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 1 and 2. Dr. Battisti be working the lines from 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 1, while Dr. Hasemann will be answering calls from 4 to 7 p.m. Feb. 2.

Want to donate? Call 1-800-372-4999 or text the word **HAWK** to 7-8-5-8-3-3. [**You can also make an online donation here.**](#)

[Click here](#) to read about the effort and how St. Jude impacted the family of a local child treated there.