

The Focus

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Help your furry friends: PTA Club collecting supplies for the Humane Society

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The Physical Therapist Assistant Club will be participating in the World Wide PT Day of Service during October (PT Month).

This year, the students will be collecting supplies for the Broome County Humane Society. Supplies being collected include: cat (Purina) and dog (Pedigree) food; heating pads; cat and dog toys (Kongs and Nylabones, Jolly balls); cat treats; collars; leashes; blankets; bleach; trash bags; spray bottles; laundry baskets and cash. You can contact Julianne Klepfer (ext 5329 or klepferje@sunybroome.edu) or Kim Yuhnick (yuhnickk@acad.sunybroome.edu) or Derek Sturdevant (sturdevantdj@acad.sunybroome.edu) with questions or for drop-offs.

There will also be final collection tables in the Student Center and Titchener from 12 to 2 p.m. Oct. 12, 2018.

[Day Of Caring 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

Please consider making a donation and helping us make the lives of these beautiful animals a little bit better!

Get your saddle shoes: Sock Hop to fight cancer on Oct. 18

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Join us in a Sock Hop party to sock out cancer from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Oct. 18 in the Baldwin Gym! There will be 50's style music, food, dancing, basket raffles, and dance instruction by Southern Tier Swing Dance Society.



Fall Gallery Exhibit on Richard B. Henry: en plein air and studio paintings

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The Greater Binghamton community is cordially invited to an opening reception of the exhibit “Richard B. Henry: en plein air and studio paintings” from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, in the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, located on the first floor of the campus library. Light refreshments will be served.

The exhibit will be on view from Sept. 23 through Oct. 20, 2018, and the gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 3 to 7 p.m.

This exhibition will showcase a cross-section of original oil-on-canvas paintings that were created over the past few years both on location, in the open air of the landscape and within the studio. The subjects include classical still life paintings of inanimate objects that possess personal meaning to the artist, along with landscape and architectural impressions that express the natural beauty connected with a particular season.

Richard Henry has often been described by his peers as a “Painter’s Painter,” and is deeply inspired by the long traditional of classical observational oil painting as an expressive medium and strives to reveal the innate beauty of Mother Nature through exploring a particular type of atmospheric space and its interaction



with fleeting light on form.

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[An image of hands](#)



Oct. 10 depression screening in the Student Village

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Feeling anxious, alone, overwhelmed, stressed or just not yourself? Join Counseling Services for a free, fast and confidential depression screening from 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 10, 2018, in the Student Village classroom. We'll connect you with the resources you need!

[Depression screening cartoon](#)



The Monday Poem: ‘What Kind of Times Are These’

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The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Kristin Bensen-Hause.

What Kind of Times Are These

by Adrienne Rich (1929-2012)

There's a place between two stands of trees where the grass grows uphill
and the old revolutionary road breaks off into shadows
near a meeting-house abandoned by the persecuted
who disappeared into those shadows.

I've walked there picking mushrooms at the edge of dread, but don't be fooled
this isn't a Russian poem, this is not somewhere else but here,
our country moving closer to its own truth and dread,
its own ways of making people disappear.

I won't tell you where the place is, the dark mesh of the woods
meeting the unmarked strip of light—
ghost-ridden crossroads, leafmold paradise:
I know already who wants to buy it, sell it, make it disappear.

And I won't tell you where it is, so why do I tell you
anything? Because you still listen, because in times like these
to have you listen at all, it's necessary
to talk about trees.



Rich, Adrienne. “What Kind of Times Are These.” Poetry Foundation. 2016. www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/51092/what-kind-of-times-are-these. Accessed 28

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Take a hike: Natural Areas interpretive signs scavenger hunt

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Fall is fast approaching and our hills will soon come alive with autumnal colors. Despite our many summer deluges, the SUNY Broome Natural Areas trails are in very good shape and ready for the campus community to take a stroll.

Over the summer, 15 new interpretive signs on a variety of topics were installed in the Natural Areas. To encourage the Campus community to take advantage of the Natural Areas and view the new signs, we will be running an Interpretive Signs Scavenger Hunt.

1. Find as many of the new interpretive signs as you can in the Natural Areas. These are 8.5 x 11” signs on posts. There are 15 total.



A trail in the SUNY Broome Natural Area

2. Write down the titles of the signs and email them to Victor Lamoureux, Steward of the Campus Natural Areas, at lamoureuxvs@sunybroome.edu. The subject line should read “Interpretive Signs Contest”. Please note in the body whether you are a student or faculty/staff.
3. All entries must be received by Sunday, Oct. 21, 2018.
4. The student with the highest number of sign titles and the faculty/staff with the highest number will win a \$25 gift card to Wild Birds Unlimited in Johnson City. (<https://johnsoncity.wbu.com/>)
5. In the case of ties, a winner will be randomly selected from the highest totals.

Hints: Most of the signs are concentrated in the West Woods, but there are some others scattered about the Natural Areas. An example sign and the Natural Areas trail map are attached. GOOD LUCK.

Welcome to the West Woods

Welcome to the SUNY Broome Natural Areas' West Woods. There are signs like this placed throughout these woods with information pertaining to interesting natural history, flora, and fauna. The trail climbs and loops near our border and passes by a Vernal Pool.

The structure and composition of a forest can often give clues to its past. It is hard to tell exactly what the West Woods was previously used for and there are not a lot of obvious signs. Most likely it was cleared for a pasture, as much of the northeastern deciduous forest was filled for wood and agriculture in the 1800's. In fact, there is more forest today in the northeast U.S. than there was 200 years ago! Aerial photos from 1965 show that this area was at least semi-forested then and well on its way back to woodland.

There is subtle evidence that some of this area was likely a pasture, but other parts might have been a woodlot. First, being a hillside it was probably not very good for growing crops. Second, there are several "wolf trees" scattered through the woods. These are large spreading trees that were obviously growing on their own without competition from other trees. Often these would have been pasture trees that the animals would have used for shade. There is a large white oak near the Vernal Pool that is a good example. It might even be possible that the Vernal Pool itself started as a farm pond. And lastly, this forest is not very old for a forest. There are no "pits and mounds" of an old growth forest and most of the trees are relatively small in diameter.

However, further towards the top of the hill you can encounter many aged stumps—obviously trees that were logged. The micro-topography of this area with some pit and mounding also suggests an older woods. This area might have been a woodlot.

Following the blue markers to keep up and around the West Woods on the Perimeter Trail

Reading the Forward Landscape and Forest Forensics by Tom Wessels are good books for understanding our local forests. Topics (in whole or part) on signs that are covered by these books will have the cover photos to the left.

Questions? Contact Victor Lamontoux, Trail Steward / Biology Teacher at lamontoux@sunysb.edu



In the Community: Paint the Town Purple on Oct. 5

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October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and is represented by the color purple. The Crime Victims Assistance Center wants Broome County to be covered in purple for the third consecutive year!

Join CVAC at Peacemaker's Stage, 7 Court St. in downtown Binghamton, from 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 5 for the third annual kickoff event, Paint the Town Purple! It will include a photo booth, community resources, a deejay and special performances, purple glow stick bracelets and necklaces, and tons of free goodies and activities for the whole family.

Stop by to learn about how we support survivors in the community, and look out all month long for the Purple Drink at several downtown bars and restaurants, as well as purple glowing lights on many Binghamton buildings!

[Pttp18 Save The Date \(PDF\)](#)

Go on a London adventure this spring in LIT 275W

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Read great books and visit a great city in Spring 2019, with LIT 275W: London and Literature!

During the course, you will unravel the mystery of British Literature and explore the relationship between literature and London, the inspiration for great stories and their authors. From Chaucer to Shakespeare, from “A Christmas Carol” to Harry Potter, engage in a journey of exploration! The course culminates with an eight-day study tour in London.

Visit our [Study Abroad website](#) or click the flyer below for more information. [Click here to apply now.](#)

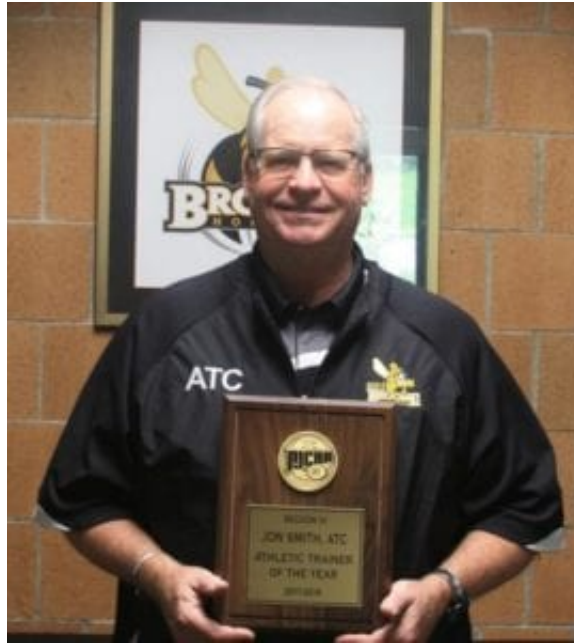
[London Literature Poster \(PDF\)](#)

Smith Named NJCAA Region III Athletic Trainer of the Year

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Congratulations to Jon Smith, ATC! He is the first recipient of the NJCAA Region III Athletic Trainer of the Year Award for 2017-2018. Jon is the Assistant Director of Athletics and Certified Athletic Trainer for SUNY Broome, and keeps our Hornets in tip-top shape.



Jon Smith

Vote in the Student Assembly Elections

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[Vote for the Student Assembly representative of your choice on The Swarm here.](#) Student Assembly is your link to impacting life here at SUNY Broome. Make sure you have your voice heard!



Campus demonstration expresses support for survivors of sexual assault

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Students, faculty, staff, and administrators walked out of their classrooms and work spaces at SUNY Broome as part of the National Walkout and Moment of Solidarity for Christine Blasey Ford.

By Professor Scott Corley

This past Monday, on Sept. 24, demonstrations occurred throughout the U.S. that called for members of Congress to take acts of sexual violence seriously. The nationwide walkouts were sparked by suspicions and concerns about Brett Kavanaugh's worthiness to sit on the U.S. Supreme Court, particularly in light of recent sexual assault allegations against him. Members of SUNY Broome's campus community participated in these rallies by gathering at the flagpole in front of the Wales administration building on Monday at approximately 1 p.m. (EST).

National organizers explained that the event represented a collective statement of solidarity that asks the U.S. Senate and the Courts to reflect "modern law and the will of the country" and show commitment to "the promise of justice" for all survivors of sexual assault."

One of the faculty members in attendance wrote that he came out to the flagpole because, "sometimes, when the stakes are high, Americans are called to step forward and state their opinions, even in situations when they otherwise wouldn't." He went on to state that "I strongly believe that a credible allegation of sexual assault ought to disqualify anyone from a position on the Supreme Court. Sexual assault is a major problem, and silence and 'boys will be boys' excuses won't solve it. I was proud to stand with my colleagues, and I want any of my students who have suffered abuse to know that I will support them."

As a long-time supporter of civic expression and social justice, I am also proud to have stood with my colleagues and students on Monday. I encourage all members of the campus to take advantage of future opportunities to not only express their voices as citizens, but also as socially responsible, justice-oriented,

community members.

SUNY Broome Education Department to host ABCs of Childhood conference with community partners Oct. 20

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The Education department at SUNY Broome Community College, in conjunction with community partners, will hold a one-day conference from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 20, 2018, called “The ABCs of Childhood: Awareness, Behaviors and Curriculum.” This conference focuses on adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), and is co-sponsored by the Family Enrichment Network and the Parent Technical Assistance Center at the Southern Tier Independence Center. It will be held in Titchener Hall on the SUNY Broome campus.

Many children live in stressful, traumatic situations; we are only beginning to understand how the long- and short-term physical and physiological effects that can result from ACEs may last well into adulthood. Addressing the biological, social and pedagogical implications of ACEs, our speakers will share their knowledge of this relatively new and very compelling area of study.

Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Jennifer Musa (SUNY Broome professor of biology), whose address will be called “ACEs and Health: the Science of Harm and Healing,” and will focus on the physical effects of the toxic stress ACEs expose children to.

Other speakers include Sue Jones, MEd, and Amy Wallick, MEd, both Trauma-Informed Practices Coaches at BOCES, who will discuss “Looking at the Whole Child,” focusing on developing awareness and understanding of what the ACE study shows, as well as the trauma-conflict cycle and the impact trauma has on the developing brain. Tracy Lyman, MEd, will present on “Introduction to the Pyramid Model: Promoting Social Emotional Competence and Addressing Challenging Behaviors,” which will include ways to develop a child’s social-emotional strength in the classroom. The day will finish with a panel discussion on ACEs.

The conference is free and open to the public, but registration is required. To register, contact the Parent Technical Assistant Center at www.ptac-stic.com, or call 607-724-2111 with any questions

SUNY Broome Night with the Binghamton Devils on Oct. 10

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The Binghamton Devils will be back in action soon and will host SUNY Broome Night on Wednesday, Oct. 10.

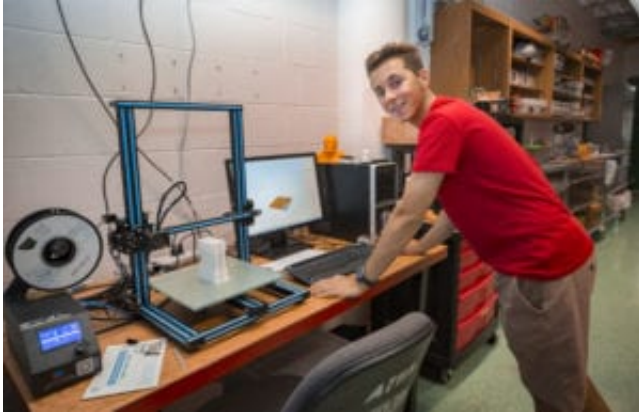
The Devils will take on the New York Rangers affiliate Hartford Wolf Pack at Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial Arena. Puck drops at 7:05 p.m. Tickets are only \$9 for SUNY Broome students, faculty, staff and families, and includes a voucher for a hot dogs and a fountain drink. [Tickets may be ordered online](#) or at the Student Activities Office starting on Monday, Oct. 1.

Come on out to the Arena on Oct. 10 and show your school spirit and support your hometown Binghamton Devils!

Smaller classes, greater learning: Honors program gives Nick the opportunity to engage in real research

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Nicholas Hayko

Nicholas Hayko's decision to attend SUNY Broome could be considered common sense. After all, the Vestal High School graduate is a recipient of the [Presidential Honors Scholarship](#), which provides a free ride at his local community college – and a pathway to a great education. Plus, his father is an alumnus, making SUNY Broome a family tradition of sorts.

You can view his decision to enter the Honors Program in a similar light. Challenging courses, smaller class sizes, the opportunity to add to his resume – what's not to like?

"I wanted to challenge myself and I heard the class sizes were smaller," explained Hayko, a dual major in Engineering Science and Mathematics. "I learn in an environment better when there are fewer students and I can ask questions."

[Click here to learn more about SUNY Broome's Honors Program.](#)

[Click here to learn more about our Engineering Science degree.](#)

[Click here to learn more about our Mathematics degree.](#)

The class sizes are indeed smaller in Honors courses. He was among 15 students in Calculus 1 and less than a half dozen in Calculus 2, giving the students the opportunity to connect with their professor and master difficult concepts.

The Honors Program also requires students to work on a capstone project, which taps into students' research interests and allows them to work closely with professors. Hayko is working with fellow student [Tyler Mucci](#) and Engineering Science Professor Robert Lofthouse to test the strength of different materials used in 3-D printing.

"Last semester was the research semester. This semester, we're doing experiments," Hayko explained. "Next spring, we're doing the undergraduate research conference in April. It will be good practice for when I have to present here."

This isn't a school science fair project; Nick and Tyler plan to present the project at a research conference, as well as write a paper that could potentially be published in a national academic journal. That's not a pipe dream, either. Two SUNY Broome Engineering Science alumni — Chelsie Souto and Curtis Carll — had their student research published in the *Journal of Electrostatics* this year, under the guidance of instructor Jian-Qing (Jay) Wang.

"We hope this can be the second one," Hayko said.

Looking ahead

Nick plans to transfer to Clarkson University next fall and earn a bachelor's degree in Engineering & Management, followed by an MBA.

He comes from a family of business professionals, and wants to combine both the business and engineering sides of innovation. That's not unusual for many modern CEOs, such as Elon Musk, he explained.

"My dream career is to be an automotive designer at Tesla," he said.

At SUNY Broome, he also leads tours as a student ambassador, tutors his fellow students and heads the Engineering Club. He tries to get involved in campus as much as possible, which not only deepens his college experience, but helps build his resume.

Overall, his SUNY Broome experience has been positive. "Every professor I've had has been really good about making themselves available and caring about your learning," he said.

Nick also encourages other students who thrive on challenge to consider the Honors Program. You might just surprise yourself with what you learn.

"I think a lot of people hear 'Honors Program' and think it will be more difficult than they can handle. With smaller class sizes, you actually learn more," he said. "It's also cool to put on your resume."

Flu vaccine clinics for the week of Oct. 1

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If you haven't gotten your flu vaccine yet, check out of clinic schedule for the week of Oct. 1 below:

- Monday, Oct. 1: 9 – 11 a.m. No afternoon flu clinic.
- Wednesday, Oct. 3: 9 – 11 a.m. & 1 – 3 p.m.
- Friday, Oct. 5: 9 – 11 a.m. & 1 – 3 p.m.

Flu vaccines are free of charge for staff and faculty. There is a \$10 fee for students. Just walk in during our flu clinic hours! Our clinics are held in the Student Health Services Office, Science Building, Room 102.

World Mental Health Day on Oct. 10

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Oct. 10 is World Mental Health Day. Join the counselors from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Student Center Lobby for information on mental wellness and how to keep yourself healthy and well this semester.



More than 100 students, 17 agencies attend CJES Career Expo

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Scenes from the fifth annual Criminal Justice and Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo

The fifth annual Criminal Justice and Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo, held on Sept. 19, was a



success!

A total of 17 local, county and state agencies and organizations from the criminal justice and emergency services field were on site to provide information about careers, testing, internships and volunteer opportunities to the more than 100 SUNY Broome students who attended the event. Students were able to speak one-on-one with professionals from their prospective career fields to better prepare for their futures. This event was co-sponsored by the Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Department



and the Applied Learning & Career Center.



Students interested in career services and assistance should contact the ALCC: <https://www2.sunybroome.edu/careercenter/>.





Oct. 4 Common Hour: All issues considered

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Join Professors Scott Corley and Carla Michalak, panelists with divergent points of view, for a discussion of the most important current events of the day at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, in T-102.



Campus-wide power shutdown on Oct. 8

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The college will perform its annual preventive maintenance on all campus transformers and switch gears on Oct. 8, 2018. To accomplish this, we have to shut the the main transformer down. The power will be off from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 8, the Columbus Day holiday.

Please, if you or your department have a refrigerator, turn off the unit, empty them of any unwanted food, and leave the door open in advance of the shutdown. Everyone also should turn off their computer at the end of the day on Friday, Oct. 5.

Interested in study abroad? Check out this \$2,000 scholarship — and apply ASAP!

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A SUNY Broome student holds a Haitian boy

The SUNY Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion is offering a Diversity Abroad Honors Scholarship and we want to nominate YOU!

Please review the requirements below and the attached scholarship documents. Applications can be filled out in the Study Abroad Office, Wales Center – 204A. If you have questions, contact Study Abroad at 607-778-5030.

The deadline to submit applications is Oct. 3, 2018, at 4 p.m.

Diversity Abroad Honors Scholarship Requirements

Academic Criteria

- Students will be enrolled in a degree program with a declared major.
- Transfer students will become eligible to study abroad during the second semester of enrollment.
- The minimum GPA requirement is a 3.0 for the scholarship nomination; recipients may be enrolled in less than full-time status, provided they continue to meet campus definition of continuing success.
- Leadership, community service and extracurricular activities will be considered for review.

Financial Criteria

- Candidates are not required to demonstrate financial need.
- A statement of financial need can be submitted for consideration.

Additional Eligibility Criteria

- Candidates must be United States citizens, permanent resident aliens and New York State residents. Those nominated from underrepresented and low-income categories may receive positive consideration as diversity candidates.
- Campuses may consider financial need and economic disadvantage as a diversity indicator, but applicants must also meet a high academic standard as evidenced by GPA and supporting recommendations.

Documentation Required

- Student essay (1-2 pages) on the anticipated study abroad goals.
- One faculty or department recommendation letter.

[DAHSPAApplication2018 19 \(PDF\)](#) [2018 19DAHSPreferenceform \(PDF\)](#)

Associate Professor Patricia Evans presents at the Southeast Regional FATE Conference

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The focus of the symposium was to share “new and developing pedagogical approaches, curriculum and projects.”

Closing remarks were made by artist/educator Mary Stewart, the author of “Launching the Imagination,” one of the best-selling design foundation textbooks in North America.



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5k walk/run Fundraiser for the Hannah E Meyn Nursing Scholarship on Oct. 20

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Hannah Meyn

All hearts have the potential to be touched by a nurse. It makes a huge difference to a patient when they get a nurse who will empathize with them and treat them as a person rather than a diagnosis.

Hannah Meyn earned her Nursing Degree from SUNY Broome in 2012 and had an amazing career as a nurse in various hospitals. Sadly, on Oct. 4th, 2017, she passed away very unexpectedly at the age of 29.

To honor her memory, the Hannah E. Meyn Nursing Scholarship was created to ensure continued healthcare expertise and compassion in the professionals graduating from SUNY Broome. The small things that we do for everybody can actually add up and create a huge effect. Help us spread the love!

The Hannah's Hearts and Soles 5K run will be held Oct. 20 at the Vestal Coal House (Rail Trail). The 5K will begin at 11 a.m. The run will be open to the public and promoted throughout the greater central New York area. There will be post-race food, drink, awards, and a 50/50 raffle. All proceeds will benefit the Hannah E Meyn Nursing Scholarship to help aspiring nurses at SUNY Broome.

To register and for more information, visit: Hannahs5K.itsYourRace.com

[Hannah 5k Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

Dedication of United States Civil War-era map on Oct. 4

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The 1857 map is on display on the first floor of Titchener Hall.

Join SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm and the campus community at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, as we dedicate a rare, original [United States Civil War-era map](#) that was donated to campus by Professor Douglas Garnar.

Preserved and framed, the map is located in the first-floor east end of the Titchener Building. This map was created in 1860 by Samuel Augustus Mitchell, and exhibits the United States with the North American British Provinces, Sandwich Islands, Mexico and Central America, together with Cuba and the other West India Islands.

Upcoming Board of Trustees meetings

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Campus community, please note the date change for the October F & F meeting.

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

- October 10, 2018 (Wednesday) – Monthly meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee, 9 a.m., Wales Administration Center Conference Room 107.
- October 11, 2018 (Thursday) – Monthly meeting of the Board, 5 p.m., Decker Health Science Building Libous Room D-117.

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

Reminder: Banner downtime on Friday for end-of-year processing

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Photo of a hand using a computer mouse



Banner, including INB and MyCollege SSBaccess, will be unavailable on Friday, Sept. 28, 2018, from 3 until approximately 6 p.m. During this downtime, our Finance Department will be completing Phase 2 of our normal year-end finance processes. These processes require us to restrict access to our Banner production environment until these tasks are completed successfully.

We understand that this is a busy time, and have therefore made arrangements to copy our production data to our Banner TEST8 INB instance. During the down time, 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 in the Student folder in Argos. As always, we appreciate your patience during this process.

Interested in an Ice Skating Club?

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Students, if you are interested in creating an ice skating club, Thomas Jahn is willing to act as the advisor.

The purpose of this club would be to share time enjoying ice skating. Ice skaters of any level are encouraged to participate. To get started, interest must be demonstrated by 10 or more students. Interest may be demonstrated by sending an email to jahnt@sunybroome.edu with a subject of Ice Skating Club.



Prepare for retirement with these seminars

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NYSTRS is offering Pension & Retirement Education program seminars throughout the state, including a Nov. 14 event in Binghamton. Click the below flyer for more details.

[PREP Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

Webinar: Peer Coaches as a Retention Tool

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Professional Development Events @ SUNY Broome



*Professional Development
Events @ SUNY Broome*

Peer Coaches as a Retention Tool: Increase Engagement, Academic Success & Graduation Rates Across Diverse Student Populations

When: Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Venue: TRC Conference room (LI 101)

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Register: [Register Here](#)

Due to limited resources and increasingly complex student demographics and issues, institutions are relying on peer mentors/coaches to empower students to succeed both academically and socially. Peer coaches help to improve success for all students –*particularly diverse and traditionally disadvantaged college populations by increasing their engagement, retention and graduation rates.*

A well-defined peer coaching program accelerates students' overall success, eases their transition to university life and fosters the development of the skills and connections that will help them persist to

graduation.

Panelists:

Valorie Burton is a bestselling author, international speaker on resilience and happiness, Certified Personal and Executive Coach, and the founder of the Coaching and Positive Psychology (CaPP) Institute.

Marisel Herrera is currently serving as the Director Training & Development, First-Year Success Center at Arizona State University.

Topics Covered:

As a result of this webinar, you will be able to:

- Understand the value, benefit, and impact of a holistic and peer coaching approach – ***increase student retention, academic success, student engagement and graduation rates across diverse student populations.***
- Identify key program design elements and practical considerations to designing a successful peer coaching program – ensure the appropriate structure, strategies and success measures are in place.
- Communicate the benefits of innovative peer coaching programs that reduce barriers to students seeking help – ***justify funding of a program that improves your students' experiences, so you can enhance their level of engagement, satisfaction, and ultimately, retention.***
- Assess the impact and the benefits of combining peer coaching with a positive psychology approach – evaluate the effectiveness of your program to maintain or expand its scope, promote a holistic approach to student success and allow students to thrive!
- Learn about innovative, comprehensive coach recruitment and training approaches utilized to support diverse students – ***meet their individual needs, help them achieve their goals and transform their academic, personal and professional lives!***

Classroom conflict presentation on Oct. 4

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The presentation will also run at the same time and place on Nov. 15 and Dec. 6.

[An image of hands](#)



Going somewhere? Learn about the local bus system on Oct. 2

September 25, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Did you know you can ride BC Transit buses for free with your student ID? Learn how to use the local bus system during this public transportation information session from 2 to 3 p.m. Oct. 2 in the Student Village Classroom.



Sept. 27 discussion: Social Media and our Mental Well-being

September 25, 2018

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Join Counseling Services from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Sept. 27, 2018, in Decker 201 for a discussion of “Social Media and our Mental Well-being.”

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Save the Date: Women and Work Career Panel & Networking Event

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We hope you'll join us for an interactive and insightful discussion with local professional women! Come hear their personal experiences, career journeys and career tips. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided during the networking portion of the event. (Refer to Purple Briefcase MY EVENTS for more information.)

Tuesday, Oct. 30

Decker 201

Panel Discussion: 11 – 11:50 a.m.

Networking: 11:50 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.

****A list of panelists will be announced soon!****

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Banner down time for End of Year

September 25, 2018

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Photo of a hand using a computer mouse



Banner, including INB and MyCollege SSB access, will be unavailable on Friday, Sept. 28, 2018, from 3 p.m. until approximately 6 p.m. During this downtime, our Finance Department will be completing Phase 2 of our normal year-end Finance processes. These processes require us to restrict access to our Banner production environment until these tasks are completed successfully.

We understand that this is a busy time, and have therefore made arrangements to copy our production data to our Banner TEST8 INB instance. During the down time, 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.

As always, we appreciate your patience during this process.

Repairs to AT staircase

September 25, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

The staircase in the Atrium of the Applied Technologies Building is currently undergoing maintenance and has been temporarily closed. Repairs will start early Wednesday morning and the staircase will reopen Friday morning. Our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.



Can you help? Student lost everything in a house fire

September 24, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

An image of hands



One of our SUNY Broome community member needs your help! She has lost everything in a house fire last week and any and all donations to assist them during this challenging time are being accepted.

The easiest and most effective way to make a positive impact would be gift cards to Target or Wal-Mart. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated as they start to rebuild. Please drop off in the Admissions Office, Room 102 in the Wales Administration Building. We greatly appreciate your help as we support a fellow student and extend our thoughts to them.

Changes to the Google Email Interface

September 24, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Photo of a hand using a computer mouse



You may have already noticed that our Google Gmail has updated the interface you use to read and send email. You will continue to see the “classic” Gmail interface until you refresh your browser.

Once changed, you can go back to the classic view, **for now**, by clicking the gear icon and selecting “Go back to classic...”. However, ITS doubts that option will be around for long.

[Here is a link that explains some of the new features.](#) Our apologies; we didn’t receive advanced notice of this change.

Wales elevator down for maintenance

September 24, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

The elevator in the Darwin R. Wales Center is currently out of service for maintenance. We apologize for the inconvenience, and will alert you when elevator service is restored. We apologize for the inconvenience.



SUNY Broome Theater announces fall production of Neil Simon's 'Rumors'

September 24, 2018

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The students pictured in the cast photo for *Rumors* are, in alphabetical order: Saifon Barry, Tylor Belles, Ryan Brunick, Fedeline Jean-Philippe, Lynnette Linares, Jeffrey Miller, Jaycee Mosher, Tiffany Poborsky, Mackinaw Shutt, Abdul Siddique, Ben Swenson and Jialin Tian. Also pictured are crew members and SUNY Broome alumnae, Joy Thornton and Claudia Sacco.

SUNY Broome Theater will present one of the most popular plays by the recently deceased comic playwright Neil Simon this fall. “*Rumors*” will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15; Friday, Nov. 16; and Saturday, Nov. 17 in the Angelo Zuccolo Little Theatre, located in the Student Center.

“On Aug. 26, the world lost what the New York Times called the ‘Broadway Master of Comedy’ in 91-year-old playwright Neil Simon,” said theater director Katherine Bacon. “We are proud to be able to honor this great comic writer by presenting one of his most popular plays. Don’t miss the chance to see this hilarious comedy by this Pulitzer-prize winning, legendary playwright.”

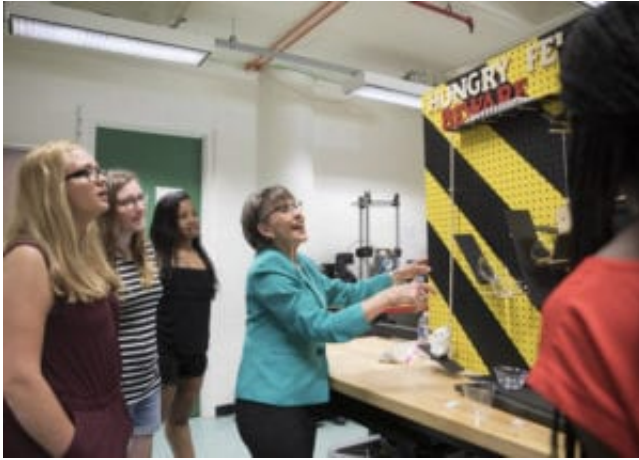
Simon was nominated for four Oscars and received a number of Tony Awards. In fact Neil Simon, received more Tony and Oscar nominations than any other writer, not just playwrights.

Neil Simon’s list of works is too long to name, but he wrote 30 plays including *The Odd Couple*, *The Last of the Red Hot Lovers*, *Plaza Suite*, *The Goodbye Girl*, *Sweet Charity*, *Barefoot in the Park*, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, *Broadway Bound*, *Biloxi Blues*, *The Dinner Party* and the play for which he won the Pulitzer, *The Drama Desk*, and the Tony, *Lost in Yonkers*. He wrote adaptations of many of his works for television movies and screenplays. He also wrote for a number of early television comedy shows along with Mel Brooks, Woody Allen, Sid Caesar, etc. He also wrote the book for four musicals including the smash hit *Promises, Promises*.

SUNY Broome instructor featured in story on women in STEM

September 24, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Professor Susan Schwing discusses the workings of Rube Goldberg devices with Engineering Science students at SUNY Broome

Did you know that SUNY Broome Engineering Science Instructor Susan Schwing was the first woman to receive a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from University of Detroit?

Read a story about this inspiring instructor and how the STEM field has changed for women:

[First Woman Mechanical Engineering Graduate Recalls Journey To Degree \(PDF\)](#)

September 2018 Budget Report

September 24, 2018

Categories: FOCUS on Finances



Click below for the SUNY Broome 2017-2018 budget forecast as of Aug. 31, 2018.

[SUNY Broome 2017 18 Budget Forecast September 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

September 2018 Facilities Update

September 24, 2018

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The exterior of the future SUNY Broome Culinary Arts and Events Center

**Facilities Update
September 2018**

Mechanical Building (Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center) Project

A Certificate of Occupancy was issued on Monday, August 20, 2018, reoccupation of the building started on

Wednesday, August 22, 2018 and classes began as scheduled on Monday, August 27, 2018. Punch list items are currently being completed. The grand opening (ribbon cutting) is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2018.

Carnegie Culinary Arts Project

- Plaster remediation work (which includes the stripping of lead paint) continues.
- Miscellaneous selective wood flooring removals are underway.
- Miscellaneous masonry infills are underway at certain wall openings.
- A test micropile (underpinning pile) was installed, cured and load tested.
- An augercast pile (new addition) was installed and will be load tested after curing.
- An area of existing wood floor was refinished as a “sample” for review.
- Below slab piping is underway in the basement with a plumbing inspection scheduled with the City of Binghamton.
- The first shipment of new windows is expected to arrive in early October.

Other Notable On-Campus Design/Construction Activities

- Reconstruction of the eastern Titchener Hall entrance (stairway) has been completed.
- Projects are currently being developed for the following work on campus:
- The main entrance (Circulation Area) in the Learning Resource Center (Library) will be refurbished (new flooring, paint and carpet runners).
- A masonry repair project which will include work at four locations including the Decker eastern wall, Wales planter repair, Business outdoor café and Titchener main entrance.
- A sidewalk installation/repair contract at four locations including the BC Center, the Calice Center, the Ice Center and the Business Building (a new sidewalk).
- Repair of the loading dock at Campus Services including repair and reinforcement of the damaged dock wall, new bumpers and door seal.
- Interior and exterior signing for the new Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center.
- Replacement of the Titchener bollard lighting at the main entrance.

9/11/18 – Prepared by David Ligeikis, Interim Director of Campus Operations

[2.3.1 Facilities Update September 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

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September 23, 2018

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After submitting the form, a confirmation email of the date/time/location will be sent to your email address.

Fall Gallery Exhibit on Richard B. Henry: en plein air and studio paintings

September 23, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



The Greater Binghamton community is cordially invited to an opening reception of the exhibit “Richard B. Henry: en plein air and studio paintings” from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, in the Gallery @ SUNY Broome, located on the first floor of the campus library. Light refreshments will be served.

The exhibit will be on view from Sept. 23 through Oct. 20, 2018, and the gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 3 to 7 p.m.

This exhibition will showcase a cross-section of original oil-on-canvas paintings that were created over the past few years both on location, in the open air of the landscape and within the studio. The subjects include classical still life paintings of inanimate objects that possess personal meaning to the artist, along with landscape and architectural impressions that express the natural beauty connected with a particular season.

Richard Henry has often been described by his peers as a “Painter’s Painter,” and is deeply inspired by the long traditional of classical observational oil painting as an expressive medium and strives to reveal the innate beauty of Mother Nature through exploring a particular type of atmospheric space and its interaction



with fleeting light on form.

Help your furry friends: PTA Club collecting supplies for the Humane Society

September 21, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



The Physical Therapist Assistant Club will be participating in the World Wide PT Day of Service during October (PT Month).

This year, the students will be collecting supplies for the Broome County Humane Society. Supplies being collected include: cat (Purina) and dog (Pedigree) food; heating pads; cat and dog toys (Kongs and Nylabones, Jolly balls); cat treats; collars; leashes; blankets; bleach; trash bags; spray bottles; laundry baskets and cash. You can contact Julianne Klepfer (ext 5329 or klepferje@sunybroome.edu) or Kim Yuhnick (yuhnickk@acad.sunybroome.edu) or Derek Sturdevant (sturdevantdj@acad.sunybroome.edu) with questions or for drop-offs.

There will also be final collection tables in the Student Center and Titchener from 12 to 2 p.m. Oct. 12, 2018.

[Day Of Caring 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

Please consider making a donation and helping us make the lives of these beautiful animals a little bit better!

Get your saddle shoes: Sock Hop to fight cancer on Oct. 18

September 21, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Join us in a Sock Hop party to sock out cancer from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Oct. 18 in the Baldwin Gym! There will be 50's style music, food, dancing, basket raffles, and dance instruction by Southern Tier Swing Dance Society.

Sock Hop

*Join the fight
against cancer!*

Come on out for fun and dancing,
supporting Sock Out Cancer!
Featuring dancing & lessons from Southern
Tier Swing Dance Society

FREE FOOD & REFRESHMENTS!

October 18th from 11am-11:50am

Baldwin Gym



Taking shape: State Assembly to pursue additional funding for the SUNY Broome Culinary Arts and Events Center

September 21, 2018

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The exterior of the future SUNY Broome Culinary Arts and Events Center

Footsteps echoed in the cavernous spaces of the former Broome County Library, the stacks and counters long gone, the walls and ceilings stripped to bare concrete and plaster. The twin fireplaces remain, along with a floor edged with a Greek key mosaic.



The interior of the historic Carnegie Library, undergoing renovations into the future SUNY Broome Culinary Arts and Events Center.

With its historic charms will remain, that first floor space is slowly becoming state-of-the-art classroom and lounge space, while a new addition under construction in the rear will house *garde manger* and production kitchens. When it's all done, the new [SUNY Broome Culinary Arts and Events Center](#) also will feature amenities including a fabrication lab for the Events Management program, a fully equipped beverage lab for mixology classes, a full-dining room, a computer lab, a state-of-the-art lecture hall for cooking demonstrations, office space and a proposed community education cooking studio.

“This is really going to be a gem for the college,” said Broome County Executive Jason Garnar, a SUNY Broome alumnus who joined Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo, New York Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie and SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm at the site on Sept. 21.



Left to right: New York Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm, Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo



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Heastie announced that the Assembly will recommend an additional \$1.5 million in funding to see the project through to completion. That is on top of \$5.5 million from the Regional Economic Development Council, \$4 million from SUNY, \$4.8 million in New Market and Historic Tax Credits and \$3 million from Broome County, along with a \$1 million college match. Approximately \$10.7 million of the \$19.8 million project cost goes toward the construction and renovation of the historic building, which has been vacant for nearly 20 years.

“We really love our old historic buildings. They really give this community the atmosphere it has,” said Assemblywoman Lupardo, noting that the building – once home to the Broome County Library – was funded by famed industrialist Andrew Carnegie and constructed in 1904. (The cornerstone was laid in 1903).

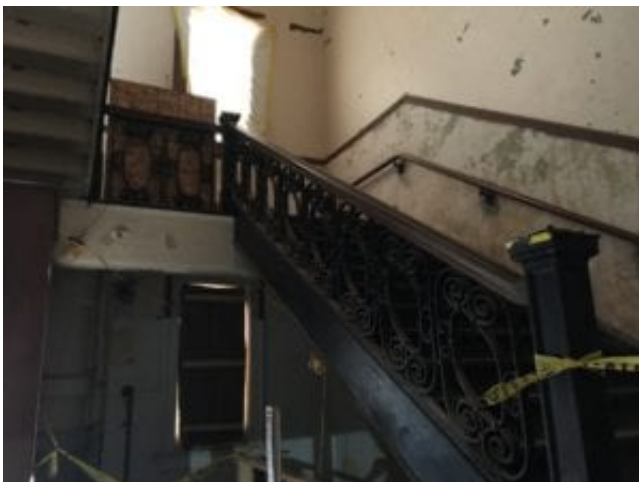


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Left to right: SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm, Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie and Broome County Executive Jason Garnar on the steps of the former Carnegie Library.

President Drumm expressed gratitude to the community partners who are critical to the project's success. The project not only preserves a beautiful historical building from further vacancy and degradation, but it also represents history of another sort: returning SUNY Broome to downtown Binghamton, where it began 70 years ago as a State Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences.



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At the time, the college was housed in the former Armory on Washington Street – only a few blocks away from the Carnegie site – until that building burned down in a dramatic Labor Day fire, prompting the college’s move to county property on Upper Front Street in 1956.



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The [Culinary Arts and Events Center](#) will house SUNY Broome’s future Culinary Arts program – currently pending approval by the SUNY system – as well as other Hospitality programs, such as Event Management. Downtown Binghamton is an ideal location, with its proximity to the Southern Tier’s burgeoning food scene and its successful restaurants and breweries, officials said.

In fact, the Southern Tier’s identity as a food hub – from food manufacturing to the farm-to-table and locavore movements – is in part fueling its economic resurgence.



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“It’s wonderful to see Binghamton on its way back,” Speaker Heastie said.

The flu vaccine is here! Get yours in Student Health Services

September 21, 2018

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Our walk-in flu clinics begin for staff, faculty and students next week! Please see the schedule below:

- Monday, Sept. 24: 9 – 11 a.m. & 1 – 3 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 26: 9 – 11 a.m. & 1 – 3 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 28: 9 – 11 a.m. NO AFTERNOON FLU CLINIC.

Flu vaccines are free of charge for staff and faculty. There is a \$10 fee for students.

Take a hike: Natural Areas interpretive signs scavenger hunt

September 21, 2018

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Fall is fast approaching and our hills will soon come alive with autumnal colors. Despite our many summer deluges, the SUNY Broome Natural Areas trails are in very good shape and ready for the campus community to take a stroll.

Over the summer, 15 new interpretive signs on a variety of topics were installed in the Natural Areas. To encourage the Campus community to take advantage of the Natural Areas and view the new signs, we will be running an Interpretive Signs Scavenger Hunt.

1. Find as many of the new interpretive signs as you can in the Natural Areas. These are 8.5 x 11” signs on posts. There are 15 total.



A trail in the SUNY Broome Natural Area

2. Write down the titles of the signs and email them to Victor Lamoureux, Steward of the Campus Natural Areas, at lamoureuxvs@sunybroome.edu. The subject line should read “Interpretive Signs Contest”. Please note in the body whether you are a student or faculty/staff.
3. All entries must be received by Sunday, Oct. 21, 2018.
4. The student with the highest number of sign titles and the faculty/staff with the highest number will win a \$25 gift card to Wild Birds Unlimited in Johnson City. (<https://johnsoncity.wbu.com/>)
5. In the case of ties, a winner will be randomly selected from the highest totals.

Hints: Most of the signs are concentrated in the West Woods, but there are some others scattered about the Natural Areas. An example sign and the Natural Areas trail map are attached. GOOD LUCK.

Welcome to the West Woods

Welcome to the SUNY Broome Natural Areas' West Woods. There are signs like this placed throughout these woods with information pertaining to interesting natural history, flora, and fauna. The trail climbs and loops near our border and passes by a Vernal Pool.

The structure and composition of a forest can often give clues to its past. It is hard to tell exactly what the West Woods was previously used for and there are not a lot of obvious signs. Most likely it was cleared for a pasture, as much of the northeastern deciduous forest was filled for wood and agriculture in the 1800's. In fact, there is more forest today in the northeast U.S. than there was 200 years ago! Aerial photos from 1965 show that this area was at least semi-forested then and well on its way back to woodland.

There is subtle evidence that some of this area was likely a pasture, but other parts might have been a woodlot. First, being a hillside it was probably not very good for growing crops. Second, there are several "wolf trees" scattered through the woods. These are large spreading trees that were obviously growing on their own without competition from other trees. Often these would have been pasture trees that the animals would have used for shade. There is a large white oak near the Vernal Pool that is a good example. It might even be possible that the Vernal Pool itself started as a farm pond. And lastly, this forest is not very old for a forest. There are no "pits and mounds" of an old growth forest and most of the trees are relatively small in diameter.

However, further towards the top of the hill you can encounter many aged stumps—obviously trees that were logged. The micro-topography of this area with some pit and mound also suggests an older woods. This area might have been a woodlot.

Following the blue markers to keep up and around the West Woods on the Perimeter Trail

Reading the Forward Landscape and Forest Forensics by Tom Wessels are good books for understanding our local forests. Topics (in whole or part) on signs that are covered by these books will have the cover photos to the left.

Questions? Contact Victor Lamontagne, Trail Steward / Biology Teacher at lamontagne@sunysb.edu



Dance Team advisor wanted. Can you help?

September 20, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Image of two people dancing



SUNY Broome's Dance Team is looking for an advisor.

Sophomore Cynthia Alladice writes:

Practices will be held Mondays and Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in either the dance studio or the West Gym. The dance team will encourage students to put all their best talent out on the dance floor. With that being said, the idea is to perform during halftime shows, attend any campus events, promote fundraisers to raise money towards necessities. Hope to find an advisor soon. My contact information is alladicecm@acad.sunybroome.edu or to reach me directly 917-532-5661. Thank You!

Deadline for Spring 2019 General College Catalog revisions

September 20, 2018

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The SUNY Broome Catalog Committee reminds faculty and staff that all revisions needed for the Spring 2019 General College Catalog will be due by Oct. 5, 2015. All revisions or updates should be sent to Rhoda Neal at nealrr@sunybroome.edu.

Mark your calendar: Fourth annual Health for Haiti Bowling Tournament

September 20, 2018

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It's getting to be that time of year again; pumpkin spice, sweaters and BOWLING! Just a quick reminder to put the fourth annual Health for Haiti bowling tournament on your calendar before all the alleys fill up.

We hope to see you at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018, at Midway Lanes. The cost: \$25 per person, payable by cash or check.

Click the flyer below for more details.

[H4h Bowling 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

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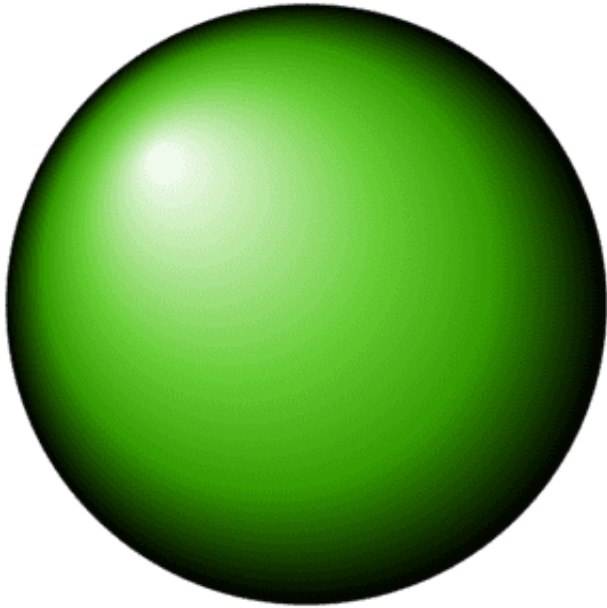
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Join us for the Green Dot Experience on Sept. 24

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SUNY Broome Professor David Zeggert's oil portrait of David Bowie

SUNY Broome Professor David Zeggert's oil portrait of David Bowie has been accepted by *Creative Quarterly* 53, an international journal focusing on promoting the work of the creative community.

The portrait is an examination of Bowie's look, inspired by the idea of revealing the construction of the portrait to terminus simultaneously existing as part of the painting. For example, the umber brushstroke that defines the collar was one of the original marks made.

Zeggert is a member of the Art and Design department, and teaches courses in Painting, Illustration and drawing. The publication will be available soon.

Voter Registration Drive in October

September 20, 2018

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Want to register to vote? Stop by one of the tabling times and locations, where volunteers will be standing by to help!

- Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Student Center Lobby
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Don't wait: Apply now for the Second Chance Scholarship!

September 20, 2018

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Are you a current SUNY Broome student? Apply now for a Second Chance Scholarship through the BCC Foundation!

Visit www.sunybroome.edu/scholarshipsonline to apply. The deadline is November 30.

Questions? Visit the BCC Foundation office in Darwin R. Wales Center Room 201.

[Second Chance Scholarships Brochure \(PDF\)](#)

EOP has spots available! Deadline is Sept. 21

September 20, 2018

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EOP still has spots available for eligible students. If you have first time/first semester students whom you feel may need additional academic and financial support, please send them to the EOP Office. The deadline to apply is this Friday, Sept. 21. The benefits of the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) are as follows:

- 1) Each student gets assigned an EOP Counselor who will help them navigate the campus, its systems and processes
- 2) EOP provides a grant to help subsidize the cost of attendance
- 3) EOP is a statewide program and the EOP designation goes with the student even if they transfer. EOP transfer students will enjoy all of the same support and benefits at their transfer institution
- 4) EOP can help pay for the cost of graduate school
- 5) EOP provides academic support above and beyond that which the college provides

The application can be found on our website at this link:

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Webinar: Peer Coaches as a Retention Tool

September 19, 2018

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Webinar logo



Peer Coaches as a Retention Tool: Increase Engagement, Academic Success & Graduation Rates Across Diverse Student Populations

When: Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Venue: TRC Conference room (LI 101)

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Register: [Register Here](#)

Due to limited resources and increasingly complex student demographics and issues, institutions are relying on peer mentors/coaches to empower students to succeed both academically and socially. Peer coaches help to improve success for all students –*particularly diverse and traditionally disadvantaged college populations by increasing their engagement, retention and graduation rates.*

A well-defined peer coaching program accelerates students' overall success, eases their transition to university life and fosters the development of the skills and connections that will help them persist to graduation.

Panelists:

Valorie Burton is a bestselling author, international speaker on resilience and happiness, Certified Personal and Executive Coach, and the founder of the Coaching and Positive Psychology (CaPP) Institute.

Marisel Herrera is currently serving as the Director Training & Development, First-Year Success Center at Arizona State University.

Topics Covered:

As a result of this webinar, you will be able to:

- Understand the value, benefit, and impact of a holistic and peer coaching approach – ***increase student retention, academic success, student engagement and graduation rates across diverse student populations.***
- Identify key program design elements and practical considerations to designing a successful peer coaching program – ensure the appropriate structure, strategies and success measures are in place.
- Communicate the benefits of innovative peer coaching programs that reduce barriers to students seeking help – ***justify funding of a program that improves your students' experiences, so you can enhance their level of engagement, satisfaction, and ultimately, retention.***
- Assess the impact and the benefits of combining peer coaching with a positive psychology approach – evaluate the effectiveness of your program to maintain or expand its scope, promote a holistic approach to student success and allow students to thrive!
- Learn about innovative, comprehensive coach recruitment and training approaches utilized to support diverse students – ***meet their individual needs, help them achieve their goals and transform their academic, personal and professional lives!***

Dental Hygiene faculty appointed to the Commission on Dental Accreditation's Appeal Board

September 19, 2018

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Congratulations to Kristin Hofer of SUNY Broome's Dental Hygiene Faculty on her appointment to the Commission on Dental Accreditation's Appeal Board. This is a prestigious position that evaluates findings in question from recent dental and dental hygiene accreditation site visits.

Attendance Reminders – Absence Due to Religious Beliefs

September 19, 2018

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Students walk to class on the first day of the Fall 2018 semester.

For those of you who are teaching classes, please see the reminders below.

For our 2018 fall semester, first attendance for full term classes was due this morning, 9/19/18 at 8AM.

Second attendance for full term classes is due on Wednesday, 11/14/18 at 8AM.

Please remember that after the attendance due date, Faculty will have to continue to take attendance based on

their individual attendance policies for each course since at the end of the semester when FINAL GRADES are entered using MyCollege, the LAST DATE OF ATTENDANCE (MM/DD/YYYY) must be entered for ALL students receiving an F grade. If the student completes your course and receives an F grade in it, you need to enter the last day your course was held for the last date of attendance.

Absence due to Religious Beliefs

Section 224-a of the State Education Law reads:

1. No person shall be expelled from, or be refused admission as a student to, an institution of higher education for the reason that he/she is unable, because of his/her religious beliefs, to attend classes or to participate in any examination, study or work requirements on a particular day or days.
2. Any student in an institution of higher education who is unable, because of his/her religious beliefs, to attend classes on a particular day or days, may be excused from any examination or any study or work requirements.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the faculty and of the administrative officials of each institution of higher education to make available to each student who is absent from school, because of his/her religious beliefs, an equivalent opportunity to make up any examination, study or work requirements which he/she may have missed because of such absence on any particular day or days. No fees of any kind shall be charged by the institution for making available to the said student such equivalent opportunity.
4. If registration, classes, examinations, study or work requirements are held on Friday after four o'clock post meridian or on Saturday, similar or makeup classes, examinations, study or work requirements shall be made available on other days, where it is possible and practicable to do so. No special fees shall be charged to the student for these classes, examinations, study or work requirements held on other days.
5. In effectuating the provisions of the section, it shall be the duty of the faculty and of the administrative officials of each institution of higher education to exercise the fullest measure of good faith. No adverse or prejudicial effects shall result to any student because of his/her availing himself/herself of the provisions of this section.
6. Any student, who is aggrieved by the alleged failure of any faculty or administrative officials to comply in good faith with the provisions of this section, shall be entitled to maintain an action or proceeding in the supreme court of the county in which such institution of higher education is located for the enforcement of his rights under this section.
 1. A copy of this section shall be published by each institution of higher education in the catalog of such institution containing the listing of available courses.
7. As used in this section, the term "institution of higher education" shall mean schools under the control of the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York or of the Board of Higher Education of the City of New York or any community college.

Thank you.

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Martin J. Guzzi

Director of Enrollment Services

SUNY Broome Community College

FEMA and FCC to conduct emergency alert on Sept. 20 or Oct. 3

September 19, 2018

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SUNY Broome uses the RAVE Emergency Alert system to convey important information regarding critical incidents, campus closures and delays.

The system will send out email alerts, text messages, Twitter and Facebook posts, and updates to the college website in case of emergency, campus closure or delays. Make sure your contact information is up to date by visiting <http://mycollege.sunybroome.edu> and clicking RAVE Alert in the Quicklaunch.

Please note that at 2:18 p.m. on either Sept. 20 or Oct. 3, FEMA and the FCC will conduct a nationwide test of both wireless emergency alerts (WEA) and the Emergency Alert System.

This is the first national WEA test to cell phones. The message will be a Presidential Alert and will read “THIS IS A TEST of the National Wireless Emergency Alert System. No action is needed.” The WEA test will be sent through the Integrated Public Alert & Warning System as part of the nation’s alert and warning infrastructure, which automatically authenticates alerts. **This is separate from the SUNY Broome RAVE Emergency Alert System.**

Marketplace: Faculty member seeking a room to rent

September 19, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



A commuting SUNY Broome faculty is searching for a room to rent throughout Spring semester 2019, with Fall and Spring semesters thereafter.

“I am neat, quiet, and looking to pay less than \$350 a month for a room and shower 3 nights a week,” she writes.

No single men, please. If interested, please contact Kristin at x-5338 or cell phone 845-807-3513 for further details.

From the Desk of the President: MSCHE Teams

September 19, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Colleagues: attached is a list of our working groups for our Middle States Self-study which will commence formally this week (much preliminary work was done last year) and will continue until we submit during the winter of 20-21. I want to profusely thank everyone involved in this important process. Please see the attached.

[Middle States Working Groups Membership \(PDF\)](#)

Thank you,

-Kevin

Kevin E Drumm, PhD

President
SUNY Broome Community College

Focus on Wellness: eni Monthly Wellness Newsletter

September 18, 2018

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness



eni is pleased to bring you our monthly wellness newsletter. This month our experts provide information on keeping kids healthy at school.

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.

Have a wonderful month!

[READ MORE](#)

#TeamSUNYBroome Serving our Community at United Way's Day of Caring

September 18, 2018

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A team of dedicated faculty and staff members took time to serve their community last Friday, Sept. 14, 2018, for United Way's Day of Caring event. Big kudos to Lauren Bunnell, Dani Berchtold, Jeanie Kumpon, Marty Guzzi and Joe Spence for serving in this capacity! Even bigger kudos to Gina Chase, who was both the organizer and a participant.

The Day of Caring was conceived as a remembrance to those who lost their lives during the terrorist attack on Sept. 11, 2001, and to honor the many heroes that evolved from the aftermath of that day. It has continued through the spirit of local volunteers and has grown into an annual tradition. Each year, nearly 1,000 volunteers come together to lend a hand to local non-profits, child care centers, parks and government agencies.

This was the second year that #TeamSUNYBroome volunteered for such an awesome community event. If you want to be involved next year, whether for yourself or to incorporate into your curriculum, contact Gina Chase at chasegm@sunybroome.edu.

Can't even boil water? Check out the Chef Education series

September 18, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Student Village residents learned how to cook in a Chef Education class offered by American Dining Services.

American Dining Creations is excited to announce a new Chef Education Series class on Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 5 p.m. in the Student Village Classroom.

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

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

Students can sign up via ADC's Facebook page, by e-mailing kmaurer@afvusa.com, or calling (607) 778-5140.

Time Management Webinar on Sept. 27

September 18, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Do you know or are you a busy adult student? Balancing work, family responsibilities, and school can be challenging. Join us for a webinar on how to balance it all.

The webinar will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27. To sign up to view the webinar live, or to receive an email with the recording afterward, [please click here](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Breck at Breckmk@sunybroome.edu

Classroom conflict presentation on Oct. 4

September 18, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Conflicts in the classroom can be difficult to manage at times. Join Melissa Martin and Marie Finelli as they present information and tips on how to resolve conflict and what campus resources are available.

The presentation runs from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018 in the Public Safety classroom.

The presentation will also run at the same time and place on Nov. 15 and Dec. 6.

[An image of hands](#)



Sept. 20 Common Hour: The Constitution — Burn it, amend it or leave it alone?

September 18, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Is ours a full or flawed democracy? Do we need a Jeffersonian revolution and a new Constitution to go with it?

Come to a town meeting at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, in T-102 to add your two cents as to what should be done to help reinvigorate our democracy. Moderated by Professor Doug Garnar and student Orion Barber, participants will be given up to 2 minutes to make their pitch.

This event is co-sponsored by the Student Assembly; the History, Philosophy and Social Sciences Department; and the Garnar Center for Civic Engagement.



Academic Coffee House on Sept. 20: Academic endurance

September 18, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Join Dr. Battisti and other colleagues for a round-table discussion and professional exchange of best practices for how we sustain enthusiasm throughout the semester. Our goal is for participants to leave feeling refreshed and energized! Coffee and tea will be served.

When: Thursday September 20, 2018

Venue: Wales 203B

Time: 11 – 11:50 a.m.

Presented by: Dr. Francis Battisti

Register: [Register Here](#)

Upcoming Professional Development: Webinar: Hungry & Homeless in College

September 18, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Webinar logo



Webinar: Hungry & Homeless in College: Develop Initiatives to Reduce Basic Needs Insecurity and Support Students' Well-being & Academic Success

When: Wednesday September 19, 2018

Venue: Wales 107

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Presented by: Scott Schuhert

Register: [Register Here](#)

Webinar Summary

More than half of today's community college students and 40% of students at a four-year institution have experienced basic needs insecurity (Wisconsin HOPE Lab Survey). The numbers are staggering, and colleges are being forced to respond to this issue. ***Are you prepared to support your student's basic needs insecurities, so they can persist and meet their academic goals?***

Join our expert presenters as they share insight into this **alarming and growing problem**. They will share methods to assess and address the current need on your campus, share successful campus initiatives, overview state mandates, provide the latest statistics associated with hunger and homelessness, and means to identify high risk populations. Support your students to ensure they will thrive and persist to achieve their academic goals!

Panelists:

Karen Richie currently serves as the Counselor/Care Manager in the Office of Personal Counseling Services at Indiana University Southeast.

Dr. Michael Day currently serves as the Director of Personal Counseling Services and is an adjunct faculty member at Indiana University Southeast.

Topics Covered:

At the conclusion of the 90-minute webinar, participants will be able to:

- Identify the serious impact of basic needs insecurity on the health and well-being of students – ***promote initiatives that fit your campus community, uphold the mission of your institution and sustain academic success.***
- Assess current needs, comply with state mandates, identify gaps and create opportunities to address basic needs insecurity – ***provide critical support to your students tailored to meet their needs and ensure you retain, persist and graduate them.***
- Determine high risk populations – ***ensure they get the critical support and assistance they need so they don't fall through the cracks!***
- Increase campus and community consciousness to address and support the essential needs of your students – ***overcome the threat to their health and help to meet their needs to ensure they stay and complete their academic goals.***
- Foster community partnerships and enhance student utilization of community agencies for needs that are beyond the scope of the university – ***provide the necessary additional support to your students to meet their unique needs.***

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The ceremony will be followed by building tours.

LGBTWho? Learn how to create an inclusive environment on Sept. 20

September 17, 2018

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Learn how to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for LGBTQ individuals from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 20 in Decker 117.



Student Assembly Election Forums Sept. 19 and 20

September 17, 2018

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Join your Student Assembly candidates for two forum nights to hear their platforms and get your questions answered.

The Student Village Candidate Forum will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 19 in the Student Village classroom. The Campus Candidate Forum will take place from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 20 in Decker 201.



In the Community: Cultivating Hope, Healing and Resilience through Integrative Arts

September 17, 2018

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Cultivating Hope, Healing and Resilience Through Integrative Arts

The goal of this event is to promote an awareness of how the integrative arts can be useful tools to find hope and support in the journey to recovery.



This program will include a brief presentation on how expressive art can bring us back to the present... mindfulness
* Musicians/motivational speakers: Mike and Jo Whitney and local artists
* Exhibit of expressive arts - incorporating creative engagement as a healing modality
* Interactive mini workshops (take home items)
* Mindfulness meditation
* Community resources on mental wellness
* Laughing yoga presentation
* Refreshments/light fare

Tabernacle UMC
83 Main St, Binghamton, NY
Parking/Entrance located in back.

Saturday, October 13, 2018
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Please RSVP to Tabernacle by Oct 11
Call 607 723 8983 - (Mon-Thurs 10AM-5PM)
If calling or after hours, please leave a message
with your name and number of those attending.



Come join us for some fun and new learning experiences



Sponsored by



Tabernacle United Methodist Church and the Mental Health Association of the Southern Tier are hosting “Cultivating Hope, Healing and Resilience through Integrative Arts” from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, at Tabernacle UMC, located at 83 Main St. in Binghamton.

The goal of this event is to promote an awareness of how the integrative arts can be useful tools to find hope and support in the journey to recover. The program will include a brief presentation on how expressive art can bring us back to the moment, as well as musicians and motivational speakers Mike and Jo Whitney, local artists, an exhibit of expressive arts, interactive mini-workshops, mindfulness meditation, community resources on mental wellness, a laughing yoga presentation and refreshments.

Please RSVP to Tabernacle by Oct. 11 by calling (607) 723-8983 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. If you're calling before or after hours, please leave a message with your name and the number of those attending.

SUNY OER Community Courses for faculty

September 17, 2018

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Photo of a hand using a computer mouse



SUNY is offering a series of six mini-courses on Open Educational Resources:

- Understanding OER
- Identifying, Finding, and Adopting OER
- Customizing and Integrating OER
- Creating, Licensing and Publishing OER
- Sharing and Promoting OER on Your Campus
- Open Pedagogy Master Class

These courses are free for all SUNY affiliates. They are offered in a self-paced format and can be taken independently or in facilitated cohorts. See <http://www.open-nys.org/event-one/suny-oer-community-course-fall-2018-online-series/> for links to course and registration information.

Dr. Kristina Johnson Inaugurated as The State University of New York's 13th Chancellor

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SUNY Broome Executive Vice President Francis Battisti, SUNY Chancellor Kristina Johnson, Professor Timmy Bremer

New York City – Dr. Kristina M. Johnson outlined a series of initiatives that will enable The State University of New York to meet major societal challenges at this critical juncture in history, as she was officially inaugurated the 13th Chancellor of SUNY on Sept. 14.

Chancellor Johnson spoke of plans to expand educational opportunity “staying power” by strengthening student retention programs, enhancing online learning, and expanding entrepreneurship initiatives. The university’s expectation of excellence will come from SUNY’s faculty whose work influences fields of study crucial to the future of New York State and beyond. She said the system is expected to make an impact in multiple ways, including by boosting research and innovation, harnessing the power of data, and facilitating community service.

Led by the SUNY Board of Trustees, presidents, and delegates from SUNY’s 64 campuses, the inauguration was held at the Morris W. & Fannie B. Haft Theater at the Fashion Institute of Technology. The event was attended by approximately 600 people, including students, campus leaders, and representatives from 116 U.S. and international higher education institutions. Also in attendance were representatives from the government, business and community sectors, along with family and friends.

The ceremony began with an invocation from President Calvin O. Butts III of SUNY Old Westbury, followed by a welcome address from SUNY Board of Trustees Chairman H. Carl McCall. The benediction was given by President Joseph M. McShane of Fordham University.

Chairman McCall said, “Today, we celebrate our new chancellor as she looks to secure a bright future for our great system. Dr. Johnson possesses the experience, ingenuity, and enthusiasm to lead SUNY and take us to even greater heights.”

Emphasizing her vision of creating opportunity and defining excellence to enable impact, Chancellor Johnson pledged “to do all I can to make SUNY more than the sum of its many remarkable parts, and the individual campuses better for being a part of the whole.”

Research and innovation, she said, are a means to mitigate climate catastrophe, prepare for growth in emerging industries, and solve for issues impacting society. She also stressed the importance of collaboration among academia, business, and government in achieving these goals.

Chancellor Johnson said professors are “key to our ambitions in research and innovation.” With 40 percent of current SUNY professors approaching retirement eligibility, she announced the launch of PRODI-G (Promoting Retention, and Opportunity for Diversity, Inclusion and Growth), a program to attract and retain an increasingly diverse and inclusive faculty. The program will be created through a partnership among the SUNY system, individual campuses, and donors, “whose collective goal will be to hire 1,000 PRODI-G faculty with named chairs within the next decade,” she said.

Chancellor Johnson described SUNY’s role as an engine in the state’s economic growth. “We will prepare the state to thrive in challenging times, while adding to the economic and cultural vibrancy of our communities,” she said. “And, we will embrace the diversity that makes New York the most dynamic state in the nation.”

Additional speakers at the inauguration included:

- Anthony Domestico, Purchase College, Associate Professor of Literature, speaking on behalf of the faculty of the university
- Kyle Richard, Senior, SUNY Cortland, Biden Courage Award Recipient, speaking on behalf of the students of the university
- Nana Banerjee, President and Chief Executive Officer, McGraw-Hill Education, Alumnus, Binghamton University, speaking on behalf of the alumni from the university
- Joyce F. Brown, President, Fashion Institute of Technology, speaking on behalf of the presidents of the university
- Karla FC Holloway, James B. Duke Professor Emeritus of English, Duke University, speaking on behalf of academia
- Paul D. Tonko, Congressman, United States House of Representatives, speaking on behalf of government
- Robert Freelen, former director of public affairs at Stanford University

SUNY Potsdam senior Ivan Ukich, of The Crane School of Music, sang the National Anthem. The color guard was provided by SUNY Maritime, and the music was performed by The Purchase Symphony Orchestra.

A link to the Chancellor Johnson’s address, as well as an archive of the event can be found at this [link](#).

Health for Haiti application deadline approaching

September 17, 2018

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Haitian children

Make new friends, experience a different culture, earn 4 credits and 100 global service learning hours, and use your time and talents to assist those in need in Haiti this January.

Apply now for the winter 2019 BIO/HST 104 Health for Haiti class. Access the application and fact sheet at www.healthforhaiti.org. The application deadline is Monday, Sept. 24, 2018

“This trip is by far the most amazing thing I have ever done. I truly believe that this trip has changed me as a person. I feel more educated on worldly matters. I have gained a bigger understanding for just how privileged we are here in the US. I will never go a day without thinking of the people I met. Thank you so much for this amazing, life-changing experience.”

-2018 Health for Haiti Student



A SUNY Broome student holds a Haitian boy

Got inter-office envelopes? Please return them

September 16, 2018

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Please send any inter-office envelopes that are not being used to the Copy Center or Mailroom. They need them!



Paying for College Seminar on Sept. 18

September 16, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Learn about paying for college and financial at a seminar from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, in Decker Building Room 201 on the SUNY Broome campus.

Guest speaker Suzanne Wilkins from Student Choice will discuss choosing a college, scholarships, the financial aid process, including FAFSA, award letters, and resources and tips on finding and saving money.

Please call (800) 242-2120 ext. 10586 for reservations.

[College Seminar Flyer 918 \(PDF\)](#)

Sept. 27 discussion: Social Media and our Mental Well-being

September 16, 2018

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Join Counseling Services from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Sept. 27, 2018, in Decker 201 for a discussion of “Social Media and our Mental Well-being.”

Social media has changed the landscape of how we communicate and interact with others. It also has a profound effect on our mental well-being. Join us for a presentation and discussion on how social media and our cell phones affect us.

For more information, questions or concerns, please contact Melissa Martin in Counseling Services at 778-5210.



Constitution Day event on Sept. 17

September 16, 2018

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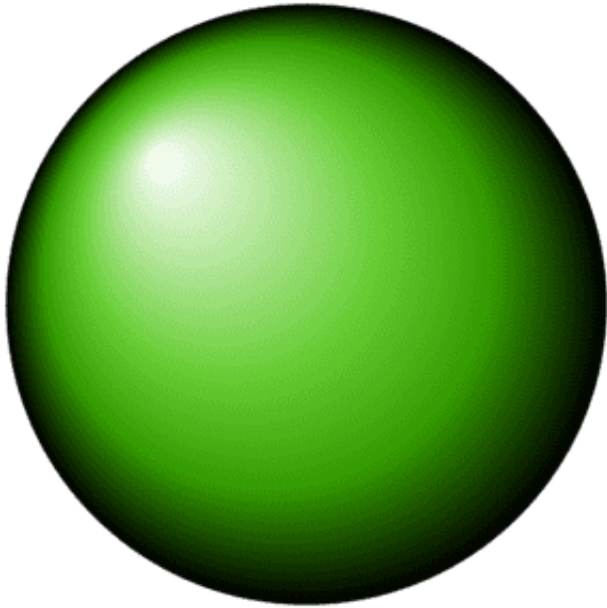
Stop by the Temp Quad from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 17 for a free copy of the Constitution on Constitution Day! Volunteers will also be in place to help you register to vote.



Join us for the Green Dot Experience on Sept. 24

September 16, 2018

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Join Counseling Services and the Crime Victims Assistance Center from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, 2018, for the Green Dot Experience in the Student Village lobby. There will be prizes!

This event will walk you through our Green Dot Program, which seeks to prevent and address power-based personal violence. [Don't know what Green Dot is? Click here to learn more.](#)

The Monday Poem: ‘What Would They Say?’ by Alfonsina Storni

September 16, 2018

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The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Kristin Bensen-Hause. Enjoy!

What Would They Say? (With original language version)

Alfonsina Storni (1892-1838)

What would the people say, reduced and empty,

If one fortuitous day, by some extreme fantasy,

I were to dye my hair silvery and violet, were to wear an old greek gown, exchanging the comb

for a circlet of flowers: forget-me-nots or jasmynes,

were to sing through the streets to the rhythm of the violins,

or were to read my verses aloud, traveling the plazas

my gusto freed of common gags?

Would they go to watch me, covering the sidewalks?

Would they burn me like they burned enchantresses?

Would they ring the bells, calling to mass?

In truth, when I think of it, I laugh a little.

Original language version: Que Diria

¿Qué Diría?

¿Qué diría la gente, recortada y vacía,

Si un día fortuito, por ultra fantasía,

Me tiñera el cabello de plateado y violeta,

Usara peplo griego, cambiara la peineta

Por cintillo de flores: miosotis o jazmines,
Cantara por las calles al compás de violines,
O dijera mis versos recorriendo las plazas
Libertado mi gusto de vulgares mordazas?

¿Irían a mirarme cubriendo las aceras?
¿Me quemarían como quemaron heciceras?
¿Campanas tocarían para llamar a misa?

En verdad que pensarlo me da un poco de risa.

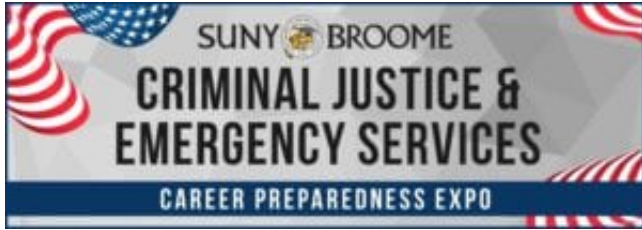


Storni, Alfonsina. "What Would They Say?" All Poetry.
allpoetry.com/Alfonsina-Storni. Accessed 9 September 2019

Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo on Sept 19

September 16, 2018

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Interested in careers in law enforcement, emergency services, corrections and more? Come to the Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, in the Applied Technologies atrium on the SUNY Broome campus.

The event is open to all majors, although students in the Criminal Justice — Corrections & Police, Homeland Security, Fire Science and EMT/Paramedic are encouraged to attend.

Explore career options, internships and volunteer opportunities, and learn about civil service testing. Speak one-on-one to representatives from agencies that include the American Red Cross, Broome County Health Department, Broome County Sheriff's Office, Endicott Police, New York State Court Police, New York State Department of Corrections & Community Supervision, New York State University Police at Binghamton University and more.

The event is hosted by the Applied Learning & Career Center in conjunction with SUNY Broome's Criminal Justice and Emergency Services Department.

Go Om: Learn about meditation on Sept. 18

September 16, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Learn about meditation and how it can help reduce stress and increase mindfulness in your life from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 18 in Decker 117.



Club advisor luncheon on Sept. 19

September 14, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Club advisors, enjoy and informational luncheon, learn about recent changes to the Clubs handbook, and how to best get your clubs up and running from 12 to 1 p.m. Sept. 19 in Decker 201.

The luncheon will include a selection of pastas with your choice of two sauces, garlic bread sticks, and a garden salad, served with fresh-baked cookies and a beverage.



Advisor Luncheon

Enjoy an informational luncheon, learn about recent changes to the Clubs Handbook, and how to best get your clubs up and running.

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September 19th
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Board approves policies on nepotism, amorous relationships

September 14, 2018

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Please note that on August 23, 2018, the Board of Trustees approved a new policy on nepotism and an updated policy on amorous relationships.

The policies are in the process of being uploaded onto MyCollege and will also be incorporated in the upcoming revised Employee Handbook for 2018-19 academic year.

[Nepotism Policy Ref. 1.33 \(PDF\)](#) [Amorous Relationships Ref. 1.28 \(PDF\)](#)

You bring the COACHE recommendations; we'll bring the caffeine!

September 14, 2018

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A cup of coffee and coffee beans



Coffee with COACHE

Last spring, the COACH Committee analyzed the results of the COACHE survey and provided a summary report to the campus in May. Our next step is to generate a series of recommendations to address the areas identified in the report that need improvement; this report will be presented to the Board of Trustees in December.

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Sept. 20 Common Hour: The Constitution — Burn it, amend it or leave it alone?

September 13, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Is ours a full or flawed democracy? Do we need a Jeffersonian revolution and a new Constitution to go with it?

Come to a town meeting at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, in T-102 to add your two cents as to what should be done to help reinvigorate our democracy. Moderated by Professor Doug Garnar and student Orion Barber, participants will be given up to 2 minutes to make their pitch.

This event is co-sponsored by the Student Assembly; the History, Philosophy and Social Sciences Department; and the Garnar Center for Civic Engagement.



Helping hand: Can you help a Bainbridge student who needs a ride to campus?

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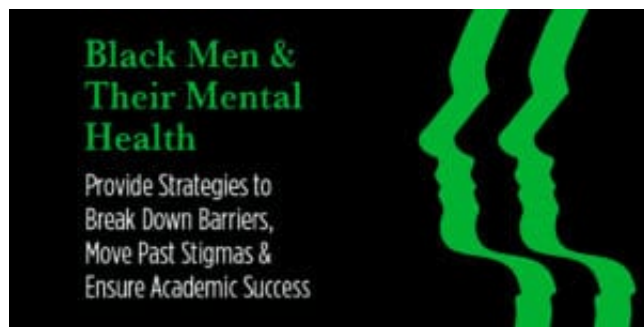
Do you live in Bainbridge and want to help a SUNY Broome student? An older learner, whose transportation plan suddenly failed, needs a ride to and from campus two to three days per week. If you can assist, please contact the Psychology and Human Services Dept at ext. 5457.



Register today for a free webinar on Black Male Mental Health

September 13, 2018

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The intersectionality of being Black and male in America has placed Black men at a greater risk for mental health difficulties. Their status as a minority could undermine social supports and access to needed care.

Join the Binghamton University Department of Social Work, Dean of Students CARE Team, Employee Assistance Program, Health Prevention and Promotion Services, Multicultural Resource Center and University Educational Institute **at 2:00 p.m., Thurs, September 20 in UU-111** for the webinar: **Black Men & Their Mental Health: Provide Strategies to Break Down Barriers, Move Past Stigmas & Ensure Academic Success**. The webinar is free and will help attendees gain specific strategies to implement to break down barriers for Black men on our campus, better understand intersectionality, and explore cultural identity theory as it relates to mental health to help ensure our Black male students' success.

[Please RSVP by Wednesday, Sept. 19, at 5 p.m.](#) Light refreshments will be provided.

For questions, [contact Tanyah Barnes](#), MRC associate director.

From the Desk of the President: CESS feedback continued

September 13, 2018

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The exterior of the Natural Science Center



Colleagues:

Several comments in CESS were made again about the maintenance of our facilities, an issue not as evident in the last CESS survey. We made maintenance a high priority after the prior survey 6 years ago. Our facilities continue to age in spite of the millions of dollars we pour into maintenance and renovations and it has been a challenge to hire staff in this hot economic environment with its attendant labor shortage. So, in order to try to further address this important concern we are seriously considering a restructuring of our maintenance crews.

A plan is being drawn up to restructure how we maintain our buildings day to day and we will update you soon on that plan. It will be important for us to know how any new arrangement is working when it is instituted, so your feedback will be critical at that time. We also need time to work through the plan with maintenance staff, so it won't happen as quickly as we might like but it will happen fairly soon. It has been a challenge for our existing maintenance staff to keep up given staffing shortages but we also should be filling two positions shortly. Nevertheless the prospect of finding good maintenance staff in this economy isn't likely to improve any time soon, so we are hopeful that a restructuring will help. Staff on our day shifts aren't likely to be impacted directly except to get more help.

Also in this category is the need to repair some roofs and other structures around campus. Funds will be in the major maintenance budget as of January 1 when the County passes its budget. Unfortunately the County is on a different fiscal year than we are. Some projects slated for this year, assuming we deftly manage the enrollment/revenue shortfall, are as follows:

- >New flooring and paint in the main area of the LRC
- >Masonry repair of walls and walkways in several locations
- >Flooring in the atrium of AT

>Repair men's locker room floor

>Replacing the green bollard lights outside Titchner where the entrance architectural feature was recently repainted

>New music rehearsal space

>New photography lab in Calice

>Patching of roofs next spring (when County matching funding is available) Note: we always investigate leaks when we have them but it can be a very involved investigatory process and sometimes we just cannot find the source of the leak. The

actual roof breach is rarely right above where a ceiling may be leaking. Wind also plays a role in some leaks and wind is constantly changing, so one storm may bring a leak while the next one may not.

There are several more projects on our list, the above is just a critical sampling. We will also be adjusting the reporting procedure for issues you run across in your day-to-day activities across campus. It isn't unusual for us to learn about an issue that has been ongoing for a while but no one ever reported it.

Thank you again and please look for another update next week regarding CESS feedback.

-Kevin

Kevin E Drumm, PhD

President

SUNY Broome Community College

Roth 403(b) Webinars

September 12, 2018

Categories: FOCUS on Finances



Learn about the new SUNY 403(b) Roth Contribution Option in a webinar from TIAA.

Contributing to the SUNY 403(b) Voluntary Savings Plan can help you supplement the retirement income you can receive from the SUNY plan and Social Security. The 403(b) Plan now allows you to make pretax (Traditional) and after-tax (Roth) contributions to your retirement savings.

Join the webinar to:

- Learn more about the Roth Contribution Option
- Learn how much you can save in 2018
- Learn how after-tax Roth contributions compare to pretax contributions
- Learn about in-plan conversions and rules for distributions

Live webinars are scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 1 p.m. and Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 10 a.m. [Click here to register.](#)

[SUNY Roth 403 B Webinar Invitation \(PDF\)](#)

Club Advisor Wanted: Musician's Network

September 12, 2018

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A SUNY Broome student is seeking an advisor for a new club on campus. His message is below. If you're interested, please contact him:

The club that I wish to get going is the Musician's Network, a group of students who wish to discuss music in all of its forms. During my first year here at SUNY Broome, I joined the Musician's Network and we attended concerts, held listening parties, and discussed both classic and new releases. Members of the club can bring their own vinyl records and play them for everyone to hear. Even if members of the club do not collect vinyl, everyone will be able to share their music, facilitating healthy and productive discussion about music as a whole. My name is Tucson Cutsorge, my email is cutsorgeorget@acad.sunybroome.edu, and my phone number is (607) 761-2992

Interested in SUNY Cortland? Make an appointment with your transfer guide

September 12, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Looking to continue your education at SUNY Cortland? Here's a person you will want to meet: Greg Diller, Cortland's transfer mobility advisor.

Diller is on campus on alternating Mondays and Tuesdays throughout the semester, and can help you with all things Red Dragon, from course recommendations here at SUNY Broome to financial aid, student life and support services.

And you don't need to wait until you're close to graduation, either. In fact, it's better to meet with Greg early in your college career to make for a smoother transition to the four-year school.

During the last two semesters, Diller met with more than 70 students, peaking at 85.

"We're working with students earlier, which is what I want students to do. The earlier we can meet, the best we can use their credits," he said.

Students who meet with Diller during their freshman year can learn more about what Cortland offers, discuss their career interests, and plot their trajectory with courses that meet the requirements of their desired majors. During sophomore year, the conversation shifts to the application process, housing and more.



Popular programs that students inquire about include all of SUNY Cortland's education offerings, especially elementary, early childhood and physical education. Other popular programs include offerings through the kinesiology department, as well as sports management, psychology and business economics. Criminology is also seeing increased interest.

This year, Cortland has three new degree programs in environmental geoscience, healthcare management and inclusive early childhood education. That last is exciting for students who may be interested in dual certification in early childhood and special education, Diller said.

Plan your future by making an appointment with Greg Diller today. You can make an appointment at cortland.edu/transfer-path or email him at Gregory.diller@cortland.edu for more information.

From the Desk of the President: Annual Title IX Statement

September 11, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Colleagues: If you attended Tarana Burke's deeply moving talk on campus last May, you may remember her story, and what led to found the #MeToo movement.

She was working as a camp counselor when a young girl sought her out and shared her experiences of molestation at the hands of her mother's boyfriend. Ms. Burke was 22 years old at the time – not much older than many of our students – and didn't know what to do. Years later, when she founded a program for teen girls in Alabama, she encountered similar stories of sexual violence and abuse. After she realized that there were no community resources to deal with the problem, she stepped up and started what became the MeToo movement.

Students can sometimes confide in us unexpectedly and that may call upon us to step up in some very difficult moments – to *be the resource*, as Tarana Burke might put it. We want you to have the tools to do just that – so that if you are called to help, you are not alone and your students feel safe to share their experiences and get help.

One of the federally required annual duties of all college presidents is to remind our campus community of Title IX requirements. As you may remember, SUNY handed down a uniform sexual violence policy, The Victim/Survivor Bill of Rights, three years ago. In response, key members of our faculty participated in various levels of response training. Sexual violence between or among any individuals falls under both SUNY's policy and our own.

We have, it must be stressed, a zero-tolerance policy for violence of any sort. We have a Student Code of Conduct in place if such actions are not gender related.

Attached, you will find 2 documents: SUNY Broome Students' Bill of Rights, which we created in response to the SUNY policy, and our Campus Civility Statement created through our Shared Governance process.

[Students Bill Of Rights \(PDF\)](#) [Civility Statement \(PDF\)](#)

While sharing our policy is required by law, it is important nevertheless that we all take the time to read these documents and share them with our colleagues and students as necessary. We must continue to support the survivors of sexual violence or any violence while working to prevent it however we can as a civil, academic community where everyone should feel valued.

If you have any questions, please contact our Title IX coordinator, Dean Scott Schuhert, at schuhertsm@sunybroome.edu, (607) 778-5681 or in Science Building Room 227.

-Kevin

Kevin E Drumm, PhD

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Paying for College Seminar on Sept. 18

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Learn about paying for college and financial at a seminar from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, in Decker Building Room 201 on the SUNY Broome campus.

Guest speaker Suzanne Wilkins from Student Choice will discuss choosing a college, scholarships, the financial aid process, including FAFSA, award letters, and resources and tips on finding and saving money.

Please call (800) 242-2120 ext. 10586 for reservations.

[College Seminar Flyer 918 \(PDF\)](#)

Can't even boil water? Check out the Chef Education series

September 11, 2018

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Student Village residents learned how to cook in a Chef Education class offered by American Dining Services.

American Dining Creations is excited to announce a new Chef Education Series class on Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 5 p.m. in the Student Village Classroom.

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

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

Students can sign up via ADC's Facebook page, by e-mailing kmaurer@afvusa.com, or calling (607) 778-5140.

Get involved: Student Activities Day on Sept. 13

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Come out to the Quad for Student Activities Day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 13!

Participate in a Zorb Ball course, meet clubs and community partners, enjoy a game truck and a raffle giveaway. Chair massages and airbrush tattoos also will be on site, and prizes will be awarded for best club table. Free food will be provided.

The rain location is the Baldwin Gym.

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Constitution Day event on Sept. 17

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Stop by the Temp Quad from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 17 for a free copy of the Constitution on Constitution Day! Volunteers will also be in place to help you register to vote.



Never forget: SUNY Broome remembers 9/11

September 11, 2018

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Bagpiper Ken Roe plays “Amazing Grace” at the start of the college’s 9/11 ceremony.

Seventeen years ago, under a startling blue sky, three thousand people lost their lives in the first major international terrorist attack on U.S. soil since the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

The nation has never forgotten them, or the first responders who rushed to the scene that tragic day – many of whom have since died from diseases related to 9/11 and the plumes of acrid smoke that hung around the World Trade Center site for days on end.

On Tuesday, the SUNY Broome campus gathered to remember the events of 9/11 and offer its gratitude to the police officers, firefighters and other first responders who respond to disasters, even at the risk of their own lives.

The campus stood with bowed heads as bagpiper Ken Roe of the Edward P. Maloney Memorial Pipe Band played “Amazing Grace.” Some of today’s students are too young to remember 9/11 – many of the college’s Early College and Fast Forward students weren’t even born yet, SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm noted – but all were touched by the events that happened then and since.



The campus community gathers to remember 9/11.

Pearl Harbor led to the nation’s involvement in World War II, and 9/11 similarly led to war in Afghanistan,

with the goal of eliminating the terrorist training camps there, and later in Iraq.

“Seventeen years later, we still have troops in Afghanistan. Our global War on Terror has not yet abated,” Dr. Drumm said. “We continue to be deeply grateful to all of our servicemen and women, who risk their lives every day to fight terrorism in our increasingly volatile world.”

Lives forever changed

Broome County Executive Jason Garnar, a SUNY Broome alumnus, offered up the story of one man who lost his life in the attack on the Pentagon: [Lieutenant Commander Patrick Murphy](#). Murphy had served in the Navy on nuclear submarines. At the time of the attack, he was a naval reserve officer; a three-week assignment with the Navy Command Center landed him in the Pentagon on 9/11.



Broome County Executive Jason Garnar speaks during the 9/11 remembrance ceremony.

Earlier in the day, he called his brother, asking him “to get something out of the car because he was donating it to the Salvation Army,” Garnar said. The call was cut off. It was the last time he spoke to his family.

Patrick Murphy was 38 years old and left behind a loving wife and two boys – Mitchell, then 6 years old, and 3-year-old Casey. Years later, Mitch became one of Garnar’s students.

“I remember teaching American history and talking about Sept. 11. For Mitch, it was very different; that day has defined his life,” Garnar said. “Every year on this day, think about what Mitch thinks about: Losing his father at (age) 6.”

It’s important to remember those who lost their lives in the attacks, Garnar noted, but it’s also important to remember the families who will never see their loved ones again.

The nation remembers 9/11 for many reasons – to honor those who were lost, and the sacrifices made by the first-responders and the troops, President Drumm said. But this shared memory isn’t a call to be afraid, or to live in fear of people different from us.



SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm speaks during the 9/11 remembrance ceremony.

According to Harvard Professor Steven Pinker, we currently have fewer wars and less violent crime world-wide than at any point in our history. This may seem hard to believe, given the news cycle, but it's statistically true, Dr. Drumm said.

Professor Pinker and other scholars attribute the decline in violence and war to a number of different factors, including the rise of democracy around the world, a rising commitment to civil rights – and increasing literacy and access to education.

“That’s very encouraging – but it also challenges us. Democracy and civil rights are fragile, and so is access to education. All of them take commitment on our part as citizens and as Americans,” Dr. Drumm said. “We must be cautious of stoking divisions, and feeding the tribalism and hate that has caused so much of the violence throughout human history.”

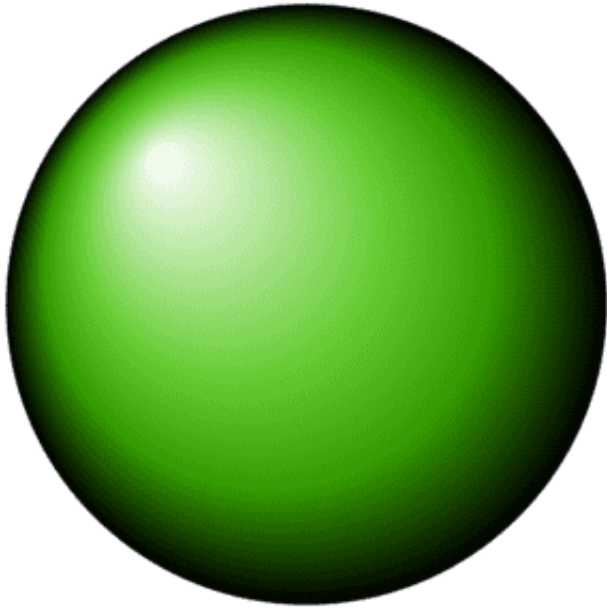
As a college president, Dr. Drumm said he was encouraged that many young people today are stepping up and dedicating their lives to the wellbeing and safety of their fellow citizens as first responders. The college’s programs in criminal justice, firefighting and paramedics are among the college’s largest – and actually among the largest among community college’s nationwide. Every spring, they train to respond to the disasters of the future at the college’s Mock Environmental Disaster Drill, a massive undertaking that typically involves 17 different departments across campus.

“Once again, I would like to thank everyone – our campus community and our honored guests – for coming out on this day to honor our fallen. The price of freedom is never free,” Dr. Drumm said.

Join us for the Green Dot Experience on Sept. 24

September 11, 2018

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Join Counseling Services and the Crime Victims Assistance Center from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, 2018, for the Green Dot Experience in the Student Village lobby. There will be prizes!

This event will walk you through our Green Dot Program, which seeks to prevent and address power-based personal violence. [Don't know what Green Dot is? Click here to learn more.](#)

Sept. 13 Common Hour: Psyched Up

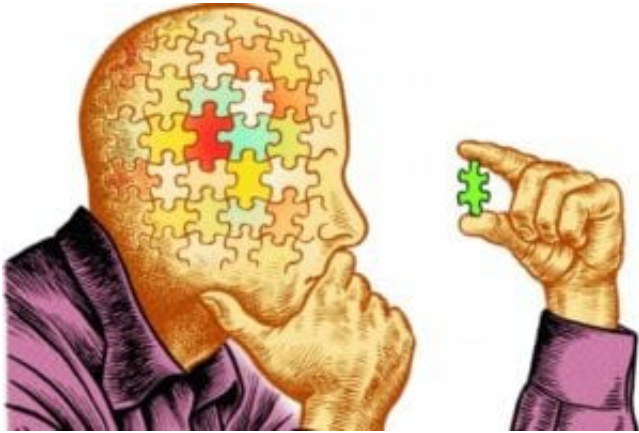
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Join Psychology Department faculty for fascinating tips and techniques that will be of use to you, your friends and family — right now!

Psyched Up starts at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, in T-102.

Each session will focus on the latest psychological findings on topics such as motivation, perception, success at school and work, dealing with social situations, and lots of other hot topics.



Go Om: Learn about meditation on Sept. 18

September 11, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized

Learn about meditation and how it can help reduce stress and increase mindfulness in your life from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 18 in Decker 117.



Campus community: Share your story of food insecurity

September 10, 2018

Categories: Uncategorized



Mark your calendar: SUNY Broome's Hunger Banquet will be held Thursday, Nov. 15.

Food insecurity is real — even for college students. Statistics show that at least 42 percent of community college students have experienced hunger due to food insecurity.

As a walk-up to the Hunger Banquet, we are interested in sharing stories from students, faculty and staff who have experienced food insecurity in their lives. Have a story to share? Please contact the college's writer, Jennifer Micale, at micalejr@sunybroome.edu or (607) 778-5682.

Head start: Patrick finds both challenge and the opportunity to excel through Early College

September 10, 2018

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Patrick Morrow

Patrick Morrow didn't find his high school classes challenging enough.

Math class, for example, alternated weeks of learning concepts with lengthy review periods – and Morrow wanted to progress more quickly. His mother learned about SUNY Broome's Early College program after speaking with Professor Victor Lamoureaux, and Patrick eagerly applied.

The Vestal resident is now attending college full-time and expects to transfer to Clarkson University as a full junior next fall.

The Early College program gives high school students the opportunity to take classes at SUNY Broome, on campus or online, before graduating high school. It is typically for seniors and juniors who are at least 16 years old, and have maintained a high school course average of 80 or higher related to the college course they seek to take.

[Learn more about Early College.](#)

"I would recommend it to everybody who is excelling in high school and their classes, and feel that they need more," Morrow said. "It's not for everyone, though. Some people need the high school experience to use college to the fullest."

Through self-study, Patrick recently passed the CLEP calculus exam, which allowed him to place into Calculus 2 as well as take second-year engineering courses. An Engineering Science major, he truly enjoyed taking a course on computer-assisted design (CAD) with Professor Joe DeAngelo, and he's currently studying physics, German, C++ computer programming in addition to his calculus class and other courses.

In short, he's finally learning at the speed he wants – and excelling.



Patrick Morrow

[Learn more about our Engineering Science program.](#)

He finds many of his professors approaching and understanding, he said. At 17, it can feel a little odd to be among the youngest members of class, but mostly his fellow students don't notice his age.

Patrick has stayed after class to help his peers master concepts, and recently signed up to become a peer tutor in math, German and physics. He enjoys helping other students, he said.

Long term, he plans on going into the military – he's leaning toward the Marines – and using his engineering skills there, whether in aerospace or as a combat engineer. After that, he plans to pursue a career at a firm such as BAE Systems, Boeing or Lockheed Martin.

This high-flying Hornet has the following advice for students looking to make the most of their college education: "Talk with your professors and connect with them," he said. "If you're struggling, don't try to figure it out on your own."

In-house Phone Directory for 2018-2019

September 10, 2018

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Click below for the in-house phone directory for the current academic year.

[Campus Directory 2018 19 \(PDF\)](#)

A campus scene



Outstanding Adult Continuing Education Award: Nominations due Oct. 1

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Do you have an exceptional student who overcame barriers to succeed? Do you wish there was a way to honor or recognize his or her accomplishment? If so, please consider nominating this stellar student's success through the CEANY's Charles A. Burns Outstanding Adult Student Award.

This exemplary award recognizes adult students who have achieved excellence by demonstrating persistence, drive and success in overcoming obstacles to achieve their educational goals. One student in each region will have a chance to win a \$1,000 personal award. If your nominated student is ultimately selected for the state-wide award, he or she will receive an additional \$1000.00 scholarship and an invitation to attend, with one friend or family member of choice, the CEANY 2018 conference to celebrate this achievement and accept the award.

Send your nomination to Janet Hertzog at hertzogjm@sunybroome.edu.

The application deadline is October 1, 2018.

In the Community: Free suicide awareness program planned

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“An Evening of Hope and Resilience,” a free resource night for mental wellness and suicide awareness, will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, at Tabernacle United Methodist Church, 83 Main St., Binghamton.

The goal of the evening, featuring a panel of experts, is to promote wellness and resiliency, as well as to provide education on how to support anyone who may be struggling with the challenges associated with mental illness or thoughts of suicide.

Refreshments will be served, and childcare will be available if requested.

The program, which will also include information about mental wellness resources in the community, is intended for ages 18 and up.

Please RSVP to Tabernacle by Sept. 17 by calling 723-8983 from 10 a.m. to 3 pm. Monday through Thursday. If calling before or after hours, please leave a message with your name, the number of people attending and whether childcare will be needed.

You bring the COACHE recommendations; we'll bring the caffeine!

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A cup of coffee and coffee beans



Coffee with COACHE

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Academic Coffee House on Sept. 20: Academic endurance

September 10, 2018

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Join Dr. Battisti and other colleagues for a round-table discussion and professional exchange of best practices for how we sustain enthusiasm throughout the semester. Our goal is for participants to leave feeling refreshed and energized! Coffee and tea will be served.

When: Thursday September 20, 2018

Venue: Wales 203B

Time: 11 – 11:50 a.m.

Presented by: Dr. Francis Battisti

Register: [Register Here](#)

Remember 9/11: Annual Ceremony on Sept. 11 in front of the Wales Center

September 9, 2018

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Join us at 10 a.m. Sept. 11 for a 9/11 remembrance ceremony in front of the Darwin R. Wales Center.

All staff, faculty and students are welcome to attend. Post-ceremony refreshments will be served in Wales 203B. In case of rain, the ceremony will take place in Wales 203B.



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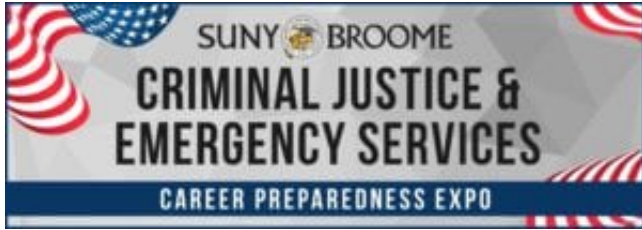
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Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo on Sept 19

September 9, 2018

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Interested in careers in law enforcement, emergency services, corrections and more? Come to the Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, in the Applied Technologies atrium on the SUNY Broome campus.

The event is open to all majors, although students in the Criminal Justice — Corrections & Police, Homeland Security, Fire Science and EMT/Paramedic are encouraged to attend.

Explore career options, internships and volunteer opportunities, and learn about civil service testing. Speak one-on-one to representatives from agencies that include the American Red Cross, Broome County Health Department, Broome County Sheriff's Office, Endicott Police, New York State Court Police, New York State Department of Corrections & Community Supervision, New York State University Police at Binghamton University and more.

The event is hosted by the Applied Learning & Career Center in conjunction with SUNY Broome's Criminal Justice and Emergency Services Department.

Mark your calendar: Fourth annual Health for Haiti Bowling Tournament

September 6, 2018

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It's getting to be that time of year again; pumpkin spice, sweaters and BOWLING! Just a quick reminder to put the fourth annual Health for Haiti bowling tournament on your calendar before all the alleys fill up.

We hope to see you at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018, at Midway Lanes. The cost: \$25 per person, payable by cash or check.

Click the flyer below for more details.

[H4h Bowling 2018 \(PDF\)](#)

Upcoming Board of Trustees meetings

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

- September 18, 2018 (Tuesday) – Monthly meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee, 10 a.m., Wales Administration Center Conference Room 107.
- September 20, 2018 (Thursday) – Monthly meeting of the Board, 5 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.



Black-Eyed Susans bloom on campus.

In the Community: CoreLife fundraiser to support Rescue Mission

September 6, 2018

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Grab a great meal and support a worthy cause!

The Binghamton Rescue Mission is holding a fundraiser with CoreLife Eatery on the Vestal Parkway. The nonprofit is pre-selling tickets for \$10. They're good for one bowl and one hand-crafted beverage at CoreLife. Tickets can be purchased at the following website: RescueMissionAlliance.org/CoreLife. Tickets can be redeemed from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, at Core Life; 50% of all proceeds will go to the Rescue Mission for their fight against homelessness. This year, the Rescue Mission is raising money provide housing for women for the first time in the Binghamton area.



Constitution Day event on Sept. 17

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Stop by the Temp Quad from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 17 for a free copy of the Constitution on Constitution Day! Volunteers will also be in place to help you register to vote.



Sept. 13 Common Hour: Psyched Up

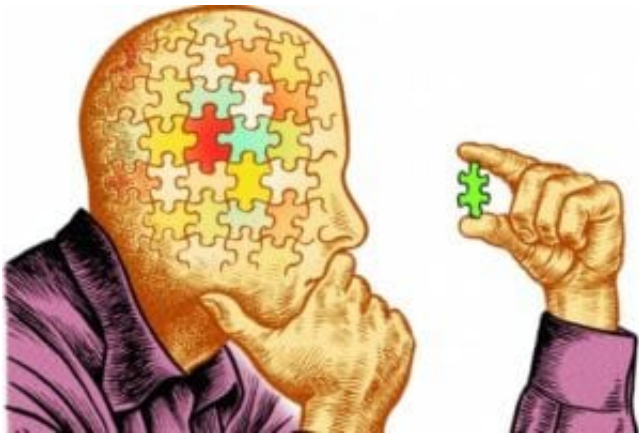
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Join Psychology Department faculty for fascinating tips and techniques that will be of use to you, your friends and family — right now!

Psyched Up starts at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, in T-102.

Each session will focus on the latest psychological findings on topics such as motivation, perception, success at school and work, dealing with social situations, and lots of other hot topics.



Do ‘real men’ tell? Study explores masculinity, heterosexuality and the decision to report rape

September 6, 2018

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Even in cases where a rape has clearly taken place, traditional beliefs and assumptions about masculinity can cause both witnesses and victims to be uncertain about reporting it, according to new research conducted by Binghamton University and SUNY Broome.

SUNY Broome Nursing Chair Susan M. Seibold-Simpson is the first author on the paper, “Person- and Incident-Level Predictors of Blame, Disclosure, and Reporting to Authorities in Rape Scenarios,” which was published in the *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*. The Binghamton University team included corresponding author and Associate Professor of Psychology Richard Mattson, graduate students Allison M. McKinnon and Edwin Ortiz, Lecturer in Psychology and Human Development Ann Merriwether, Associate Professor of Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Sean G. Massey, and nursing student Ian Chiu.

In a study exploring possible reasons for the underreporting of rape, researchers had both male and female college students read a series of vignettes describing a clear incident of rape. In the different vignettes, which were randomly assigned, the rape was perpetrated by either a man against a woman, a man against a man or a woman against a man. Afterward, participants were asked to indicate how much blame they felt was attributable to the perpetrator or the victim and then to consider, if they were the victim, how likely they would be to (1) tell people they know that the rape happened, or (2) to report it to authorities.

Even in situations that were clearly rape, individuals often appeared on the fence about whether or not they would disclose the rape to others.

“In general, participants were ambivalent about disclosing that they had been sexually assaulted, even though they identified the attack as a definite rape,” said Dr. Mattson. “The participants’ gender role beliefs and sexual orientation, together with the sex of the perpetrator, seems to affect their attributions of blame, which could influence this tenuous decisional balance in ways that map onto patterns of underreporting in actual rapes.”

The researchers also found that male and heterosexual participants were more likely to blame victims and less likely to blame perpetrators, and were less likely to disclose the rape if they were the victim. Endorsement of traditional beliefs and assumptions about men and masculinity seemed to be driving these associations.

As a healthcare provider, Professor Seibold-Simpson was deeply troubled by the potential adverse outcomes for men who are victims of sexual assault and who isolate themselves rather than seeking help.



Dr. Susan Seibold-Simpson

“The very heart of this issue is how we socialize our boys and girls as to what are valued male gender characteristics. It begins early in childhood and is continued and reinforced by families, friends, schools and especially the media,” Dr. Seibold-Simpson said.

Comprehensive sexuality education must address the role of these negative gender stereotypes and the underlying issues of power and control that occur regardless of gender, she said. Such conversations need to be held in a variety of settings — including healthcare, education and recreation — and reinforced across development.

“We have come a long way promoting healthy female gender roles, but a lot of work needs to occur regarding male gender roles,” she said.

The impact of sexual orientation in perceptions of sexual harassment and assault may warrant further study, she said, as well as the impact of the media, now that male celebrities — prompted by the #MeToo movement — have come forward to disclose unwanted sexual assault and harassment.

Upcoming Professional Development: Webinar: Hungry & Homeless in College

September 5, 2018

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Webinar: Hungry & Homeless in College: Develop Initiatives to Reduce Basic Needs Insecurity and Support Students' Well-being & Academic Success

When: Wednesday September 19, 2018

Venue: Wales 107

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Presented by: Scott Schuhert

Register: [Register Here](#)

Webinar Summary

More than half of today's community college students and 40% of students at a four-year institution have experienced basic needs insecurity (Wisconsin HOPE Lab Survey). The numbers are staggering, and colleges are being forced to respond to this issue. ***Are you prepared to support your student's basic needs insecurities, so they can persist and meet their academic goals?***

Join our expert presenters as they share insight into this **alarming and growing problem**. They will share methods to assess and address the current need on your campus, share successful campus initiatives, overview state mandates, provide the latest statistics associated with hunger and homelessness, and means to identify high risk populations. Support your students to ensure they will thrive and persist to achieve their academic goals!

Panelists:

Karen Richie currently serves as the Counselor/Care Manager in the Office of Personal Counseling Services at Indiana University Southeast.

Dr. Michael Day currently serves as the Director of Personal Counseling Services and is an adjunct faculty member at Indiana University Southeast.

Topics Covered:

At the conclusion of the 90-minute webinar, participants will be able to:

- Identify the serious impact of basic needs insecurity on the health and well-being of students – ***promote initiatives that fit your campus community, uphold the mission of your institution and sustain academic success.***
- Assess current needs, comply with state mandates, identify gaps and create opportunities to address basic needs insecurity – ***provide critical support to your students tailored to meet their needs and ensure you retain, persist and graduate them.***
- Determine high risk populations – **ensure they get the critical support and assistance they need so they don't fall through the cracks!**
- Increase campus and community consciousness to address and support the essential needs of your students – ***overcome the threat to their health and help to meet their needs to ensure they stay and complete their academic goals.***
- Foster community partnerships and enhance student utilization of community agencies for needs that are beyond the scope of the university – ***provide the necessary additional support to your students to meet their unique needs.***

Relax: Join the Stress Management and Mindfulness group

September 5, 2018

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A six-week Stress Management and Mindfulness group for **students only** is being offered through Counseling Services.

The group will meet from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Sept. 26 through Oct. 31 in SS-210 Students must preregister for this group by calling 778-5210 and speaking to Melissa Martin by Sept. 21.

This group will help students learn stress management techniques through mindfulness practice and experiences.



Nominate a student for A Taste of Success!

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Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti is looking to recognize students who are demonstrating notable potential either on campus or in the community. Students who are identified will be invited to have breakfast with Dr. Battisti and Civic Engagement Coordinator Lisa Strahley, where they will share their passions and talents, talk about their vision for the future, and mingle with other talented SUNY Broome students. Each student will receive a certificate acknowledging their efforts.

To recommend students please complete the form below.

[FILL OUT FORM](#)

Go Om: Learn about meditation on Sept. 18

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Learn about meditation and how it can help reduce stress and increase mindfulness in your life from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 18 in Decker 117.



Calling all singers! Join the College Choir

September 5, 2018

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College Choir is open to all singers. No audition required!

They rehearse Mondays from 6:15 to 9 p.m. in Decker 201. The choir sings many different genres of music such as classical, pop, spirituals and show-tunes. Come and sing!



Sept. 6 event: Health for Haiti uses science and art education to empower students and teachers

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“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” — Nelson Mandela

STEM meets Art! Come and see how Health for Haiti is using new, low-cost technologies to ignite the curiosity and excitement of scientific exploration and creativity in rural Haiti. This hands -on interactive presentation will display the tools and materials that Health for Haiti students are using to bring quality science education to Haiti.

All are welcome and any students who would like more information about the Winter 2019 Health for Haiti class are encouraged to attend.

11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, in T-102.

Remember 9/11: Annual Ceremony on Sept. 11 in front of the Wales Center

September 4, 2018

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Join us at 10 a.m. Sept. 11 for a 9/11 remembrance ceremony in front of the Darwin R. Wales Center.

All staff, faculty and students are welcome to attend. Post-ceremony refreshments will be served in Wales 203B. In case of rain, the ceremony will take place in Wales 203B.



In the Community: Leadership Luncheon with Liz Abzug

September 4, 2018

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Liz and Bella Abzug

The SUNY Broome Women's Institute is sponsoring a leadership luncheon from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, 2018, at the Binghamton Country Club, featuring keynote speaker Liz Abzug.

She is director of the Bella Abzug Leadership Institute and daughter of feminist icon Bella Abzug. Ms. Abzug will share information about the Women's Leadership Institute she directs and speak about developing women and girls as leaders.

The event will include door prizes and raffles. Tickets are \$35 with RSVP to mr3837@gmail.com and \$40 at door.

Can't even boil water? Check out the Chef Education series

September 4, 2018

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Student Village residents learned how to cook in a Chef Education class offered by American Dining Services.

American Dining Creations is excited to announce a new Chef Education Series class on Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 5 p.m. in the Student Village Classroom.

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

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

Students can sign up via ADC's Facebook page, by e-mailing kmaurer@afvusa.com, or calling (607) 778-5140.

Reminder: No parking in the Agency building lot across from the gas station

September 4, 2018

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Dear Student Hornets:

Trying to get to class in a hurry and cannot find a **great parking space?**

That easily accessible lot where the Visions Bank and Chamber Office is located across from the Mirabito station **is not a student parking lot.**

Please refrain from parking there. Otherwise, you may get ticketed or worse: TOWED!

Get involved: Student Activities Day on Sept. 13

September 4, 2018

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Come out to the Quad for Student Activities Day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 13!

Participate in a Zorb Ball course, meet clubs and community partners, enjoy a game truck and a raffle giveaway. Chair massages and airbrush tattoos also will be on site, and prizes will be awarded for best club table. Free food will be provided.

The rain location is the Baldwin Gym.

National Suicide Awareness Month: Pete's Story on Sept. 13

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September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. For the fifth year in a row, SUNY Broome will present “Pete’s Story,” an intimate presentation and discussion about a young man whose struggle with bipolar disorder led him to take his own life.

The presentation runs from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Sept. 13, 2018, in Business Building Room 110.

Joel and Robin Vermaat are life-long residents of the Southern Tier. Their son Peter and daughter Jennifer are graduates of Chenango Forks and both attended SUNY Broome. Their primary goal in presenting Pete’s Story is to provide a unique opportunity to learn about bipolar disorder and the stigma of mental illness by introducing the audience to Pete, his life and his struggle. It is their hope that Pete’s Story will raise awareness and equip others should they ever find themselves, a friend or a family member in harm’s way.

If you have any questions and or concerns, please contact Melissa Martin at 778-5186.

Make a difference: Take the Health for Haiti Global Service Learning course

September 4, 2018

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Share your time and talents and make a positive difference for our global neighbors!

Apply now for the 2019 Health for Haiti class. Health for Haiti welcomes students from every division across campus!

Visit www.healthforhaiti.org for a fact sheet and application.



The application deadline is Sept. 24.

Join the Sock Out Cancer Committee

September 4, 2018

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Student Activities is seeking committee members for the event Sock Hop for Sock Out Cancer from 11 a.m. to noon Oct. 18.

The committee will assist with on- and off-campus outreach for basket raffles, social media campaigns featuring the socks, and event entertainment. The committee will meet three to four times for 1 hour.

Sock Out Cancer is a local non-profit that helps families whose loved ones are struggling with cancer. [More information about this organization can be found here](#). The hope is to build this into an annual event that is unique to SUNY Broome. If you are interested in joining the committee or have any questions, please email StudentActivities@SUNYBroome.edu

Looking for a job? Student positions open in Admissions!

September 4, 2018

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SUNY Broome is looking for dynamic, outgoing students to serve as representatives of the college as Student Ambassadors!

Student Ambassadors are students who love SUNY Broome and are:

- Articulate and comfortable speaking in front of a group.
- Encouraging and willing to share portions of their college experience with prospective students and their families.
- Active on campus (or want to be!).
- Familiar with campus events and activities.

Student Ambassadors are needed for weekly “Walk in Wednesday” campus tours at 4 p.m. and for special events on an on-call basis.

Student Ambassadors and Information Desk Workers are paid \$10/hour for their assistance.

If you are interested, please email Brittney Richardson at richardsonbn@sunybroome.edu with your resume and cover letter by Wednesday, Sept. 12.

Leading a club? Attend a training session

September 4, 2018

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Club officers, learn how to effectively run your clubs!

Club officer training sessions will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. Sept. 4, 12 to 1 p.m. Sept. 7 and 12 to 1 p.m. Sept. 14 in Old Science Building 203.

It is mandatory for all club presidents and event coordinators to attend one training session, but all club officers are welcome to attend.

Finding his niche: Jeff rights his course and finds a rewarding career as a CPA

September 4, 2018

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Jeff Gnad

Sometimes you fail. You take on a responsibility you're not ready for, or just don't apply yourself. Whatever the cause, the end result is the same: You make a grand mistake that you can't easily remediate and face the consequences with a grim expression, eyes set on the unforgiving road ahead.

But the story doesn't necessarily end there. With hard work, you can indeed create a better future, overwriting those mistakes and becoming the best version of yourself.

Take Jeff Gnad. He failed out of college not once, but twice, and then found himself working in a nursing home kitchen with a less than lucrative future.

His future, at first, seemed bright. After graduating high school, he studied engineering at Binghamton University – and soon failed out. He then attended SUNY Broome with the same result, and for the same cause: He just wasn't showing up to class.

"I did well academically, but I had a horrible high school experience. I was smart enough for college, but I was disengaged," he explained. "I was 18. It was a horrible time for me to go back to school."

For the next two years, he put his academic aspirations aside and took a job in Willow Point's kitchen. Eventually, his mother offered him a deal: She would pay for an online class at SUNY Broome, if he was willing to give college another try.

After two years in the kitchen, Jeff was more than ready to change his life and returned to SUNY Broome in the spring of 2004.

Since then, he has swapped the apron for a suit and tie. Today, he is a certified public accountant (CPA) with a master's degree and a career he loves as an auditor for one of the healthcare giants in the Southern Tier.

"I'm excited because I'm doing what I want to do. Healthcare is my niche now," he said. "I like the area and I like that type of work."

After two strikes, a home run

Jeff Gnad didn't initially envision a career as an accountant, or necessarily in finance. In fact, he estimates that he may have dabbled in six or seven majors during his college education until he found his calling.

There was the start in engineering at BU, he remembered. During his first stint at Broome, he considered social work. Then, he dabbled in marketing and hotel and restaurant management. He didn't realize his love for accounting until he took an introductory course.

"After my first accounting class, I realized I was good at it, I didn't hate it and I definitely could make a career out of it," he said.

As Professor Patrick O'Bryan explained in his class, the Associate's degree in accounting essentially trains students for immediate employment as bookkeepers; any further education was optional, and becoming a CPA a long road involving intensive study and a difficult exam. During his studies, Jeff was initially content with a future as a bookkeeper – but his professor noticed his ability, and recommended that he go further.

There's a saying in the program that only 10 percent of accounting majors will actually become accountants. After his conversation with Professor O'Bryan, Jeff Gnad was determined to give it a try.

He put in the effort, earning honors during his second try at SUNY Broome. When he left in 2007, he had earned two degrees: Accounting and Business Administration, the latter thanks to all those extra courses he took while exploring majors.

[Click here to learn more about Accounting at SUNY Broome.](#)

[Click here to learn more about Business Administration.](#)

"I consider myself much more well-rounded. I know a lot about a lot, thanks to all those extra classes," he reflected.

Surprisingly, he was able to return to Binghamton University as a full junior, and graduated with a bachelor's degree in management with a finance concentration. During his education at both SUNY Broome and Binghamton University, he balanced life as a full-time student with a full-time job in the Willow Point kitchen.

One trick he learned along the way: He read all of his textbooks during summer and winter breaks, to better accommodate his work schedule during the semester.

"I didn't have time to do anything else. It whipped me into shape," he said. "I figured, I had two strikes; let's not make it three."

'A different language'

When you ask most people to define accounting, they often think in terms of mathematics. That's misleading, Gnad acknowledged. In essence, it's more like a language that uses math; like all languages, its structure determines the way you think and regard the circumstances around you. And that's probably why many students find the field so difficult to grasp.

"It's not easy to get. It's not English and it's not even algebra. It's very much a different language, and it's tough to describe," he mused. "You have to learn an entirely new vocabulary pretty much on day one in class."

But Gnad found the field fascinating and he genuinely enjoyed his time at SUNY Broome. Unlike his time at

Binghamton University, classes were small and filled with local residents – often in the same situation, balancing school with work and other obligations. He attended mostly night classes, which mostly drew [adult learners](#) – those who come back to college after time away. The adult students tended to be the most engaged, Gnad remembered.

“The atmosphere was more, ‘we are here to learn.’ Teachers feed off an engaged class,” he said. “I don’t remember having a teacher here I didn’t like. ... It helped that the teachers here wanted you to do well on an individual level. They knew that they weren’t teaching something easy. They would try their damndest to get us to learn this.”

While he was still working on his bachelor’s degree, he began working in the field, starting at a local accounting firm doing tax returns. It took a year to earn his CPA license and more jobs followed: as a financial analyst at Lourdes, senior accountant for ACHIEVE, back to Lourdes as a senior financial analyst and later for a firm that does internal auditing for the healthcare company, and – just this August – the new position as an internal auditor for UHS.

Accounting is a career with a wide range of job opportunities; businesses of all kinds, after all, need people who keep their finances in order.

“For me, it’s a lot of puzzles and finding needles in haystacks. I like the challenge,” Gnad explained.

One day, after he retires from a rewarding finance career, he hopes to return to SUNY Broome as an instructor – following the footsteps of the teachers who inspired him to learn all the intricacies of a difficult field, while pushing him to expand his limits.

“Coming back here in the 2004 timeframe, I figured out I could do a lot better than I was. I didn’t burn out because I was excited to learn,” he said. “It kept me excited about coming back.”

Sept. 6 Common Hour: Do STEM and Art Go Together?

September 4, 2018

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Join Professors Jen Musa and Marcia Blackburn at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, in T-102 for a discussion entitled “Do STEM and art go together? Health for Haiti proves they do.”

In 2018, students and faculty in SUNY Broome’s Health for Haiti program brought the joy of learning science and art to children and adults in the poorest areas of Haiti. Health for Haiti is using an affordable, paper-based microscope to ignite the curiosity and excitement of scientific exploration in children in urban and rural Haiti. Children who have had little or no exposure to science are learning about magnification, quality scientific observation and critical thinking. The Foldoscope is providing children and adults with their first glimpses into the wonders of a previously unknown world.

Come learn how STEM and art can be paired to foster creativity and growth in education, and how you can bring the wonders of science and art into any home or classroom.



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

Sept. 6 employer information session: Bandalier

September 4, 2018

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BANDALIER

A New American Workplace

Join representatives from the company Bandalier as they share details on the part-time and full-time career opportunities that exist for SUNY Broome students and alumni. The opportunities are immediate and are a great option for students currently enrolled seeking part-time employment, or for a new graduate who is looking for a fantastic career path with growth potential.

The event, sponsored by the Applied Learning and Career Center, will run from 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 6 in Business Building room 210.

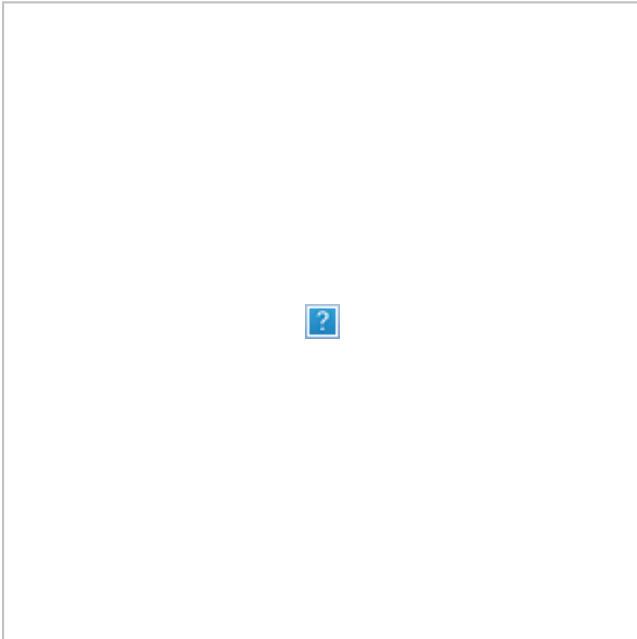
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Register today for the event in your Purple Briefcase account. Download the Purple Briefcase App on your smartphone for quick and easy access to this and many other opportunities!

From the Desk of Dr. Battisti: Academic Affairs Goals, 2018-19

September 4, 2018

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Colleagues,

As we settle into the new semester, I would like to take a few moments to outline the focus for Academic Affairs during 2018-19. Attached to this email are the five 'Academic Affairs Goals, 2018-19' that were outlined during the Faculty-Staff Assembly. These goals were developed using the college's Strategic Plan, the Strategic Plan for Diversity and Inclusion, and the Achieving Success Annual Report to guide the discussion:

Briefly, these goals include:

- enhancing a high quality academic culture,
- implementation of student retention efforts,
- increasing the focus on campus diversity,
- investing in an enhanced Professional Development Program
- incorporating a diverse range of academic affairs faculty and staff members in assessment and analysis efforts.

The members of my Chief Academic Officer's team have been charged to work with their respective divisions/departments to develop action plans by mid-October focused on implementing these goals across Academic Affairs. The Academic Affairs actions plans will be reviewed and updated throughout the year to insure that progress is being made specific to these important goals.

Higher Education is facing a number of challenges that need to be addressed using well thought out, creative, innovative, and data driven solutions. I encourage all members of the college community to actively engage and participate in the various campus initiatives that are investigating quality solutions for the challenges that lie before us.

I look forward to working together throughout the 2018-2019 AY.

[Academic Affairs Goals 2018 19 Color \(PDF\)](#)

Francis L. Battisti, Ph.D.

Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer

SUNY Distinguished Service Professor

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Sustainability Committee Meeting on Sept. 6

September 4, 2018

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Sustainability Committee Meeting

When: Thursday, Sept. 6, 11 a.m.

Location: CAM 213

Please join us for the first Sustainability Committee meeting of the fall semester. Learn about our campus clean energy and sustainability efforts. All are welcome! The agenda is attached below.

Contact Robert Lofthouse at lofthouserw@sunybroome.edu if you have any questions.

[Sustainability Committee Meeting Agenda \(11 00 Am, Thursday, September 6th, 2018\) \(PDF\)](#)

Student Village Resident Assistants take on Fall 2018!

September 4, 2018

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Fall 2018 Resident Assistants

Aug. 12 started Resident Assistant training for returning and new RAs. Over the course of a long two weeks, RAs (including Resident Hall Association members) learned a multitude of things including incident report writing, programming (with RD Alexandria and Student Activities director Jason Boring), the amazing resources we have on campus (with Ann-Marie from the Counseling department) how to handle certain situations that arise, fire drills, professionalism, how to keep their sanity (with faculty mentor Christine Duffy-Webb) and, most importantly, just working as a great team.

The team took some fun trips to Robert Truman State Park, Applebee's, Director of Housing Amy's house for a fun BBQ, and the Baptist Church for an amazing dinner. The team also got to hear an inspirational speaker (Coach Dus) on how to become the best versions of themselves, work as a team and listen to each other effectively and, most importantly, get pumped for the semester.

Dr. Ross and President Drumm even stopped by for a Q and A lunch! Christine Duffy-Webb brought the RAs canvases and paint to de-stress before countless hours of doing bulletin boards and finishing up room condition reports.



Fall 2018 Resident Assistants

The Resident Assistants got to learn so much before meeting the new students and they're ready for anything that gets thrown at them. They would also like to thank RD Alexandria for guiding and feeding them throughout the whole process. They would like to thank all of the presenters that took time out of their day to be with them!

Student Activities Day 9/13/18

September 4, 2018

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Dear Club Officers, Members, and Advisors,

Welcome back for another wonderful semester at SUNY Broome. We are hoping that all clubs, and any offices that would like to, will be able to participate in **Student Activities Day** which will be **Sept 13th from 11-1pm in the Baldwin Gym**. Please register your club, office or organization to attend [using this form](#). This event is geared toward directing attention to our clubs and local community resources.

We ask that **each table has some sort of interactive event or game at their table**. Often looking up some sort of minute to win it game works well. Please note that student activities will not be able to provide any of the materials for the game. Please avoid any games that are typically drinking games even if no alcohol is involved (water pong). We will, however, provide each table with tickets that the participants can later exchange for things like food, prizes or henna/airbrush tattoos. We have found that this really motivates the students to come to your table.

If you are receiving this email and wish not to because you are no longer affiliated with the club for any reason, simply go to the main page of The Swarm.

1. Click on your personal icon at the right-hand side.
2. Select Membership History
3. Select Current Memberships
4. Under any organization you no longer wish to be apart of, select “leave organization”

Thanks and as always, **if you have any questions**, please contact Student Activities at 607-778-5033 or email StudentActivities@SUNYBroome.edu

Classroom conflict presentation on Sept. 6

September 2, 2018

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Conflicts in the classroom can be difficult to manage at times. Join Melissa Martin and Marie Finelli as they present information and tips on how to resolve conflict and what campus resources are available.

The presentation runs from 11 to 11:50 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, 2018 in the Public Safety classroom.

The presentation will also run at the same time and place on Oct. 4, Nov. 15 and Dec. 6.

[An image of hands](#)



Great Books Discussion to begin Sept. 7

September 2, 2018

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Join us for the Great Books Discussion, which begins at noon Sept. 7 in Liberal Arts Conference Room Titchener 210.

The books that will be discussed during Fall 2018 are Edith Wharton's *House of Mirth* and Jeffrey Eugenides' *Middlesex*. These books have earned acclaim as notable books of the Western Canon.

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



The Monday Poem: ‘Two Kinds of Intelligence’ by Rumi

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The Monday Poem is brought to you by Professor Kristin Bensen-Hause. Enjoy!

Two Kinds of Intelligence

by Rumi (1207-1273)

There are two kinds of intelligence: One acquired,
as a child in school memorizes facts and concepts
from books and from what the teacher says,
collecting information from the traditional sciences
as well as from the new sciences.

With such intelligence you rise in the world.
You get ranked ahead or behind others
in regard to your competence in retaining
information. You stroll with this intelligence
in and out of fields of knowledge, getting always more
marks on your preserving tablets.

There is another kind of tablet, one
already completed and preserved inside you.
A spring overflowing its springbox. A freshness
in the center of the chest. This other intelligence
does not turn yellow or stagnate. It's fluid,
and it doesn't move from outside to inside
through the conduits of plumbing-learning.
This second knowing is a fountainhead
from within you, moving out.



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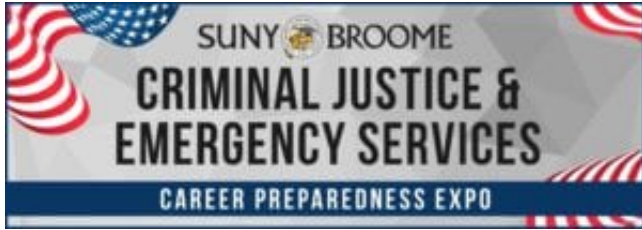
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Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo on Sept 19

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Interested in careers in law enforcement, emergency services, corrections and more? Come to the Criminal Justice & Emergency Services Career Preparedness Expo from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, in the Applied Technologies atrium on the SUNY Broome campus.

The event is open to all majors, although students in the Criminal Justice — Corrections & Police, Homeland Security, Fire Science and EMT/Paramedic are encouraged to attend.

Explore career options, internships and volunteer opportunities, and learn about civil service testing. Speak one-on-one to representatives from agencies that include the American Red Cross, Broome County Health Department, Broome County Sheriff's Office, Endicott Police, New York State Court Police, New York State Department of Corrections & Community Supervision, New York State University Police at Binghamton University and more.

The event is hosted by the Applied Learning & Career Center in conjunction with SUNY Broome's Criminal Justice and Emergency Services Department.