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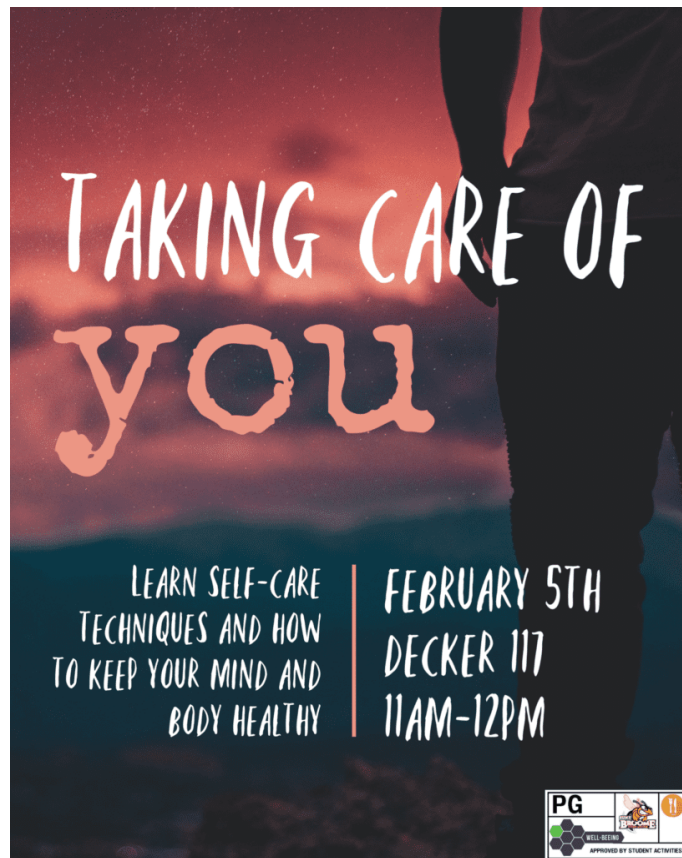
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Learn how to take care of you on Feb. 5

January 31, 2019

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The start of a new semester can be stressful. Speaker Cheryl Horihan will talk about self care and how to keep your mind and body healthy at “Taking Care of You” from 11 a.m. to noon Feb. 5 in Decker 117.



Feb. 7 Common Hour: Scholarships for SUNY Broome Students

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Join Lisa Schappert and Amy Englehart from the Broome Community College Foundation at 11 a.m. Feb. 7 in T-102 to find out how you can become a candidate for the many scholarships offered by the college and its four academic divisions.



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

January 29, 2019

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Medical Assisting students deliver flowers

The Heart Walk Committee will be bringing back (by popular demand) the flower sale to support the Heart Walk. It's a great way to make someone's day on campus!

Do you have any colleagues or friends on campus that would love to receive a Carnation on Valentine's Day to support the Heart Walk that will be on campus, Sunday, April 7? [Then click this link](#) and for only \$1 you can send a carnation that will be delivered on Valentine's Day right on campus! All money is due to Deena Price in the TRC by Feb. 12.

If you would like to participate in the Heart Walk or if you would like to create a team or join an existing SUNY Broome team, [please click on this link](#). Club Advisor? Ask your students if they would like to form a team! Any questions, please contact Erin O'Hara-Leslie at oharaleslieek@sunybroome.edu

From the Desk of the President: Thank you for your hard work!

January 29, 2019

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Colleagues: I want to thank everyone involved in addressing the electrical situation in Titchener yesterday, especially our maintenance crew members who worked tirelessly to keep the building warm while the power was cutting out intermittently. We did get the generator running smoothly by mid-morning so that offices could remain open. The generator will remain until the new transformer arrives and operations should be fairly normal until that time. A transformer has been located which in itself is remarkable in such a short time, as they aren't ever easy to find. This one is coming from South Dakota.

I also want to thank the faculty and staff who worked so hard over the winter break to advise and register students, and also Financial Aid and Student Accounts staff whose work led to 100 fewer students being dropped for non-payment than at the same time last year. Both efforts ended a double-digit deficit in spring registrations that lasted throughout the Fall Term registration period and into Curtailment. Times are challenging for community colleges across New York especially but also across the Northeast. We know that some of our sister colleges are down double digits in their spring enrollment, therefore moving forward it's going to require sustained extra efforts just like the ones we mounted this month to keep us headed on a manageable trajectory. The good news is that we have demonstrated on many fronts that we are up to the task in spite of the demographic, economic and public policy headwinds that we face.

Thank you all for your excellent, hard work!

-Kevin E Drumm, PhD

President

SUNY Broome Community College



Welcome to our new MarCom director and research analyst

January 29, 2019

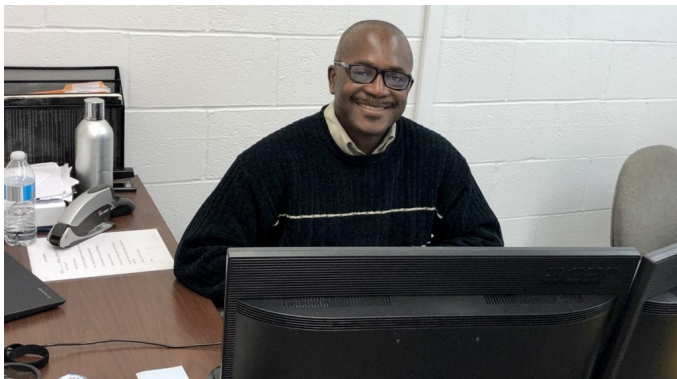
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Please give a warm SUNY Broome to Mark Gillespie, our new director of Marketing & Communications, and Dr. Patrick Allala, senior staff assistant and research analyst with the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Enrollment Planning.

In past roles, Mark was the former MarCom manager for the RIT College of Science, editor-in-chief of Rochester's *585 magazine*, general manager and editor of the *Livingston County News*, media coordinator for Emporia State University — and much more! A strong addition to our MarCom team, he is currently focused on restructuring the department and its processes to provide results-driven marketing solutions to boost engagement and ultimately enrollment.

Patrick hails from Ghana in West Africa, and attended the University of Ghana at Legon-Accra before coming to the United States to further his studies 20 years ago. He has a Master's in medical and family sociology, a Master's of Divinity in Christian theology and a doctorate in Educational Administration.

Patrick worked for more than 18 years in education, healthcare and industry before coming to SUNY Broome, including as a K-12 teacher, a clinical counselor in healthcare, and a quality inspector and researcher in the business world. He is the author of "The Quandary of Collaboration with Female School Administrators: Social Distance in Ghana, Sub-Saharan Africa," published in 2015.



Dr. Patrick Allala





Mark Gillespie

Attention, parents: Two lactation rooms on campus

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Are you a parent on campus?

SUNY Broome has two lactation and personal care rooms on campus! The rooms are located in Calice Advanced Manufacturing Center Room 215 and Natural Science Room 207B, and provide privacy for nursing and related personal care needs.

Users should hang the provided “ROOM IN USE” sign outside the door, and remove and return the sign after use.

Click the following document for room guidelines.

[Lactation Personal Care Room Guidelines \(PDF\)](#) [Download](#)

In the Community: Racial Unity Prayer Service on Feb. 24

January 29, 2019

Categories: Uncategorized

Moving in Congregations Acting in Hope (MICAHA) is holding Building Unity: A Service of Prayer to End Racism at 4 p.m. Feb. 24 at First Congregational United Church of Christ, located at 30 Main St. in Binghamton.

Preaching is Dr. Aloja Airewele, a native of Nigeria and Ithaca resident who practiced family medicine for eight years before stepping full-time into pastoral ministry and social justice initiatives. The Dorothy Cotton Jubilee will provide the music, along with the Fairview United Methodist Church Bell Choir.

MICAHA is a faith-based community organization that has been working to build racial unity in the Binghamton area for the past two years.



Hit the slopes: Greek Peak student ski trip on Feb. 7

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Students have the opportunity to go to Greek Peak during a ski trip from 4 to 9 p.m. Feb. 7.

They must arrange transportation on their own. Purchase lift tickets for \$10 in the Student Activities Office. You must show your student ID and there is a maximum of 4 tickets per ID.



BARK-9 Therapy Dogs on campus Feb. 6

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The BARK-9 therapy dogs will get your tail wagging from 2 to 3 p.m. Feb. 6 in the Student Center lobby.



Great Books Discussion to begin Feb. 8

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The Great Books Discussion will begin at noon Friday, Feb. 8, in Liberal Arts Conference Room T-210. The books that will be discussed during the Spring 2019 semester are *Wild* by Cheryl Strayed and *Wanderlust: A History of Walking* by Rebecca Solnit. Both have earned acclaim as notable books of the 21st century.

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



Check now: Is your RAVE Emergency Alert info up-to-date for snow days and emergency closings?

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It's that time of year again, when snow is in the forecast!

This would be a great time for you to check your information in the RAVE Emergency Alert system. We use this system to convey closings and emergency information — including closings and delays for inclement weather. RAVE can notify you via text message, phone calls and email — but only if your information is in the system! Log into MyCollege (<http://mycollege.sunybroome.edu>) and choose "RAVE Alert" from the Quicklaunch to see if your information is correct, make changes and select how you would like to be notified. RAVE: It's not a dance party, but it will let you sleep in on snow days.

Title IX/Sexual Harassment Training for Employees

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- Thursday, February 14, from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. in the Public Safety Classroom
- Monday, March 18, from 2 – 3 p.m. in Decker 201
- Friday, April 5, from 9 – 10 a.m. in the Public Safety classroom

Per new New York State law, every employer in New York State is required to provide employees with sexual harassment prevention training. As we are also an educational institution, federal law mandates we offer Title IX training as well.

Per the new NYS law, employees must receive training on an annual basis. Even if you have previously attended, employees must be trained annually.

Registration is not required and a sign-in sheet will be used to take attendance. A question and answer session will follow the training.

Please contact Paige Sedlacek with any questions.



In the Community: Get your tickets for Hearts for Hope

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Hearts for Hope 2019 runs from 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, at the Holiday Inn in Binghamton. The event benefits A Room to Heal, which creates a healing environment in the homes of children affected by serious medical conditions.

The Valentine's Day-themed event features light fare, craft beer and wine tastings, a cash bar, deejay, more than 100 raffle and live-auction items and more. Tickets are \$55 per couple and \$30 per single when purchased in advance. [Click here to purchase.](#)



Registration Add / Drop Transactions First Week of Classes

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Classes for the Spring 2019 semester began this Monday, Jan. 28.

Since the refund period for full term classes begins at the start of the term, all add / drop transactions need to be conducted in the Registrar's Office, Students Services Building Room 105.

Students will need permission from the department chairperson to register for those classes that have already started. They will also need permission if the class is filled.

Students will be able to register, online, for accelerated classes (late starting classes), until they begin.



Upcoming Professional Development Events

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Webinar: Enrollment Management: Create Opportunities to Sustain Enrollment and Revenue Objectives

What is your institution doing to combat this decline in H.S. graduates and achieve its enrollment goals?

How is your institution balancing the decline in state and federal financial support and the reality of being tuition-driven?

Join our expert presenter as he discusses the challenges related to effectively recruiting and enrolling enough students during this prolonged period of change and decline in demographics. In addition, he will share how institutions are addressing these trends to ensure the needs of your enrolled students are met. He'll also discuss tactics some colleges are using to "right size" and make the case for lower enrollment. Develop realistic budgets, maintain viability and plan for projected enrollment trends appropriately.

Panelists:

W. Kent Barnds is the Executive Vice President of External Relations at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois.

Topics Covered:

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

Develop effective enrollment strategies to address and combat trends related to the declining and shifting demographics of eligible students — gain familiarity with the latest trends so you can combat declining enrollment on your campus.

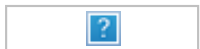
Implement steps to maintain enrollment numbers — combat the decline in state and federal support, tuition-driven pressure and ensure you achieve your revenue goals.

Incorporate successful enrollment and retention strategies from other institutions that are facing the same pressure into your strategic plans — effectively maintain profitability, enrollment numbers and increase graduation rates.

Analyze the current and projected enrollment trends — embrace that this is the "new normal" and meet the challenge by taking appropriate action to attract, retain, and graduate those students that enroll at your institution.

Understand the importance of an institution-wide approach to meeting enrollment goals — engage faculty, staff, coaches and current students in the process to appeal to and enroll the right students who will succeed and thrive on your campus.

When: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 **Venue:** LI 101 (TRC) **Time:** 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm **Hosted by:** Diversity Initiatives **Facilitated by:** Elisabeth Costanzo **Register:** [Register Here](#)



Webinar: Peter Lake on Duty of Care: The 2018 Precedent-Setting Cases & Their Implications on Your Institution's Legal Obligations

In 2018, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and the California Supreme Court handed down major, precedent-setting decisions with respect to college student safety and a college's duty to prevent foreseeable violence to students. Both courts determined the college/student relationship *itself* is "special." This has enormous implications for the future of college student safety law.

How will these two cases from 2018 influence your institution's legal obligations regarding reasonable care in 2019 and beyond?

Join Professor Peter Lake, an internationally-recognized expert on higher education law and policy, as he provides you with a comprehensive overview of the implication of these decisions and the impact, they will have on the evolution of campus safety law and operational practices on campus.

Panelists:

Peter Lake currently serves as a Professor of Law, Charles A. Dana Chair, and Director of the Center for Excellence in Higher Education Law and Policy at Stetson University College of Law in Gulfport, Florida.**Topics Covered:**

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

- Examine the two key state supreme court rulings to understand what "reasonable action" to protect students looks like in various contexts — **help your institution's centralized system for assisting students in distress encourage appropriate communication between academic affairs, student affairs and campus support services.**
- Educate colleagues serving on CARE/BIT/Threat Assessment Teams about the key components of these cases — **inform critical stakeholders so they are more knowledgeable and better prepared to work with current and evolving standards of care.**
- Identify the core components of potential institutional negligence liability — **develop strategies that appropriately identify and mitigate reasonably foreseeable risks of self-harm and violence in compliance with educational and legal standards.**
- Create an educational community that facilitates reasonable levels of safety and respects the autonomy and privacy of students — **provide a safe and responsible living-learning environment that allows your students to succeed**

When: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 **Venue:** Wales 107 **Time:** 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm **Hosted by:** Diversity Initiatives **Facilitated by:** Joseph O'Connor **Register:** [Register Here](#)

Gamer's Lounge currently closed

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The Gamer's Lounge in the Old Science Building is currently closed and will reopen on Feb. 18. We appreciate your patience and understanding!



Interested in study abroad? Check out this \$2,000 scholarship — and apply by March 8!

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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 March 8, 2019, at 5 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.

[2018-19DAHSPreferenceform \(PDF\)](#) Download

[DAHSPAApplication2018-19 \(PDF\)](#) Download

[DAHSPGuidelines2018-19 \(PDF\)](#) Download



Would you like to be a DJ?

January 25, 2019

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Student Activities will be hosting Student Activities Day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 14 in the Baldwin Gym. During the event, we will have a Silent DJ competition. Attendees will be able to put in headphones and listen to nine different SUNY Broome deejays and find the one they like best. College students across the country are LOVING this event.

[If you would like to be a DJ for this event, please fill out this form.](#)

Equipment will be provided for a few deejays but is limited. You may also bring your own.

If you have questions, please contact StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu.



Hotalen Named NJCAA Division III Player Of The Week

January 25, 2019

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Hornets basketball team member [Anna Hotalen](#) was honored as the NJCAA Division III Player of the Week for her play during the week beginning on Jan. 14. **Read more:** [NJCAA Players of the Week – Jan. 14 – Jan. 20](#)

This was the third time the Freshman forward has been honored for her efforts in the last two weeks. She also earned the Region III Player of the Week honors during the same time frame.

The Vestal High School graduate led Broome in scoring and rebounding in a loss against the NJCAA's fifth ranked Onondaga Lazers on Tuesday night, putting in 16 points and grabbing a collegiate high 22 boards. In the Hornets win against Cayuga on Thursday she posted another collegiate high, this time it was in the scoring column dropping 35 points, 25 of those in the second half. Anna also posted another double-double by grabbing 20 rebounds in the contest. For the week Hotalen averaged 25.5 ppg and 21 rpg as well as 2 steals, 2 blocks and an assist.

She was also named MSAC Player of the Week for Jan. 7 – Jan. 13 when she posted back-to-back double-doubles to help Broome get out to a 1-1 start to begin MSAC play the week of Jan. 7. She averaged 11.5 points and 16 rebounds in the win against Finger Lakes on Thursday and loss to Tompkins Cortland on Saturday. She also added 3 steals and a block to her totals for the week.

Great job, Anna!



Anna Hotalen

Student Activities Day Table Sign up

January 24, 2019

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We are hoping that all clubs, and any offices that would like to, will be able to participate in Student Activities Day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb 14 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.

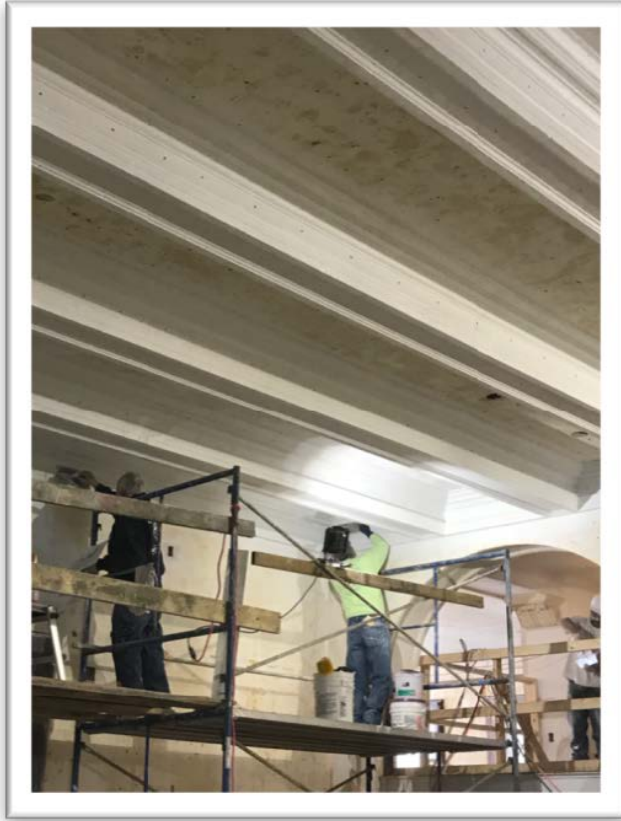
Thanks and as always, if you have any questions, please contact Student Activities at 607-778-5033 or email StudentActivities@SUNYBroome.edu



Facilities and Budget updates for January

January 24, 2019

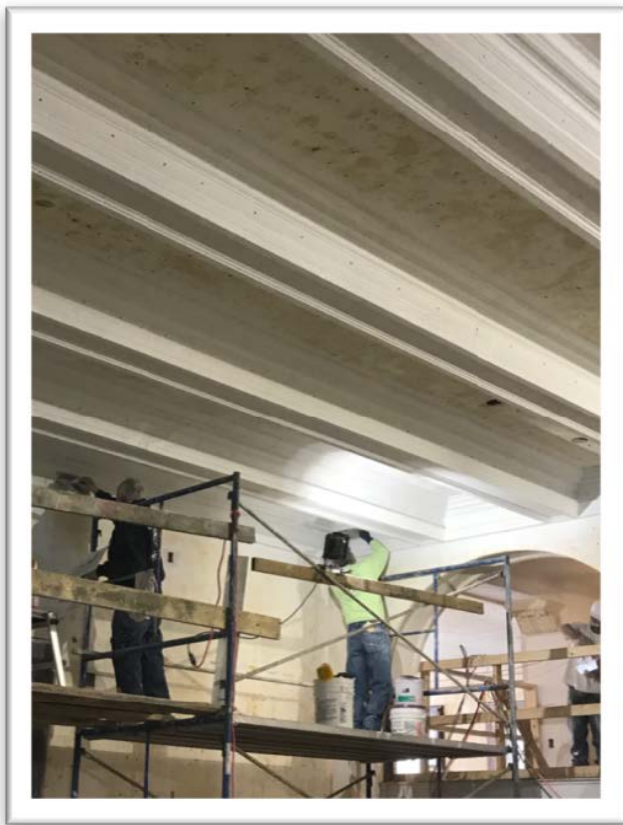
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Click below for the January 2019 Facilities and Budget updates.

[Facilities Update January 2019 \(PDF\)](#) Download

[January Budget Update](#) Download



Plaster work at the Culinary & Event Center

Student Village Movie Night on Jan. 27

January 24, 2019

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Welcome back, Student Village residents! Enjoy a viewing of the movie “Get Out” from 6 to 8 p.m. Jan. 27 in the first floor lounge. Popcorn will be served.



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Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly: Reflection and projection

January 24, 2019

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Starfish at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly.

Services addressed every need: the Crime Victims Assistance Center, the Applied Learning and Career Center, Broome County HEARS (Higher Education Access, Retention and Success), the Binghamton Advantage Program, Shared Governance, Counseling, the Literacy Legacy Project through civic engagement.

All reflected SUNY Broome's present while, on the other side of the room, a timeline of the college's 70-

Around the perimeter of the Baldwin Gym, decorated tables displayed the range of services available at SUNY Broome during the Faculty Staff Assembly Information Fair.

Some dazzled with decoration, while others were sparse. Starfish, a student success initiative, featured glittering star-shaped lights in a fisherman's net. The Collaborative Online International Learning Initiative shared space with Breaking Ground, the college's literary magazine.



Professor Chris Origer at the Spring 2019 Faculty

year history bore witness to its past: The five name changes, the construction of its various facilities, the start of academic programs. An empty mascot costume – from an earlier, cherubic-faced version of Stinger, looked on.



An early look for Stinger

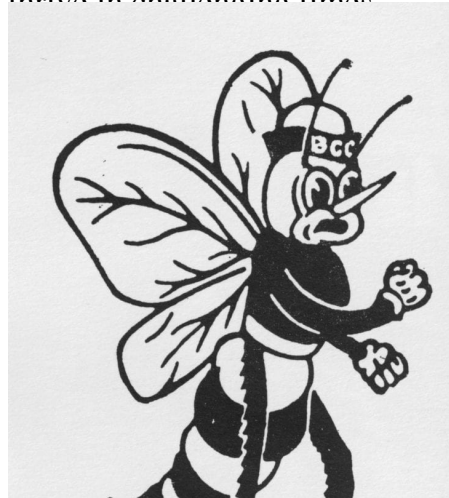


The current Stinger

Professor Chris Stinger at the Spring 2015 Faculty Staff Assembly.

What will that timeline include when it continues off the right side of the paper, into an unknown future?

A Faculty Staff Assembly kicks off the start of every semester and establishes a theme, an area of needed focus. The theme for this semester is Reflection and Projection – looking at what SUNY Broome has achieved, and where it needs to go in order to thrive in challenging times.



“...need to have,” said Executive Academic Officer Francis Battisti, as he

Old image of Stinger



An older image of Stinger

‘No more tinkering’

Higher education as whole faces significant challenges. SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm recently received an email alerting him that yet another college is shutting its doors in this country. It’s becoming a familiar if sad development, affecting largely small, Liberal Arts-based private colleges. Some top-notch private schools have also been looking at mergers, and are struggling if they lack large endowments, he said.



Dr. Carol Ross speaks at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

While SUNY Broome doesn’t face that sort of scenario right now, that doesn’t mean that community colleges are immune to the winds of change.

“We’re facing some really major headwinds already,” he said.

The region’s high school population continues to shrink, with graduating classes expected to contract by 25 percent in just over a decade. The Excelsior scholarship program, while a boon for students, has also increased competition, enticing students to start their education at four-year schools. In terms of fees and other costs, SUNY Broome remains the fiscally prudent choice – but the natural tendency is only to consider the “free tuition” aspect of Excelsior.

Finally, a “hot economy” with a low unemployment rate is affecting college enrollment rates nationwide, as prospective students opt to enter the workforce directly.

“The total number of college-goers shrank during the past two years for the first time in history,” Dr. Drumm said.

It’s a situation the President calls “Paradise Lost.” To regain the future,



SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm speaks at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly.



The BCC Foundation at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

SUNY Broome must consider what the college's distinct advantages are, as opposed to peer institutions. The college should draw strength from areas it helped pioneer – such as distance learning – and look to foster

processes that will help shape the years to come.

The college has a think tank and the “What’s Next SUNY Broome?” discussion group exploring these deep issues.

“No more tinkering around the edges. The world is changing too much for that,” President Drumm said.



Bachelors Partnership Programs at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

Retention continues to be an area of focus. While retention rates have declined since 2012, they have rebounded by 2 percent points in the last year, although the college remains in the middle of the pack when compared to its SUNY community college peers.

There are many factors behind retention, and more than one solution will be warranted, Dr. Battisti said. “One thing we have to work on is helping people connect with this college at an early point,” he said.

While a software solution, Starfish does just that, allowing professors to flag struggling students early in the process to connect them with the help they need. Course pass rates continue to rise for students receiving such flags, he said.

On the student affairs side, the focus is to ensure students stay enrolled and persist, noted Dr. Carol Ross, Vice President for Student Development and Chief Diversity Officer. Connection and engagement are crucial in this area as well, helping students feel welcome and giving them the opportunity to forge lifelong



Dr. Francis Battisti speaks at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly.



The Honors Program at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

friendships.



Shared Governance at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

To help meet these goals, the former Digital Lounge and Commons in Old Science 106 will be transformed this semester into a Multicultural Resource Center, with its own adjacent classroom. The Digital Lounge will become a Gamers Lounge two doors down in 108.



The Applied Learning & Career Center at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

“Our goal is to increase student comfort, increase persistence, increase academic performance and increase positive engagement with their peers,” she said.

Facilities update

The transformation of the DLC isn’t the only facilities improvement expected this semester. In the Campus Services Building, the Copy Center will move further back into the building, noted interim Director of Facilities Dave Ligeikis. Its current space will be turned into much-needed rehearsal rooms for the music program, with work anticipated to begin in the next few weeks.



The Crime Victims Assistance Center at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly.

Personal care rooms are operational in the Calice Center and the Natural Science Center, and will be added to the Culinary & Event Center, now

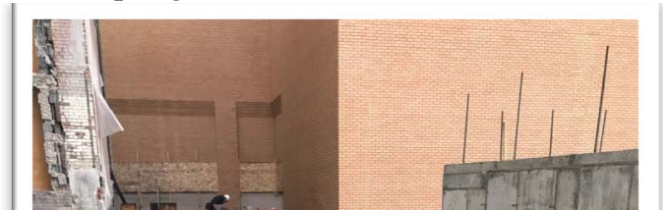
undergoing renovations in downtown Binghamton. To comply with the new state law, baby changing stations will be provided in both men and women’s restrooms.



Erin Marulli of BC Hears at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

The Culinary & Event Center is approximately 40 percent complete. Foundation work has been completed and structural steel will be placed starting next week, he said. Bids for approximately \$2 million in kitchen equipment are out now. A temporary certificate of occupancy is anticipated in October, with the final in November; the building is anticipated to open

for the Spring 2020 semester.





Foundation work at the Culinary & Event Center



Plaster work at the Culinary & Event Center

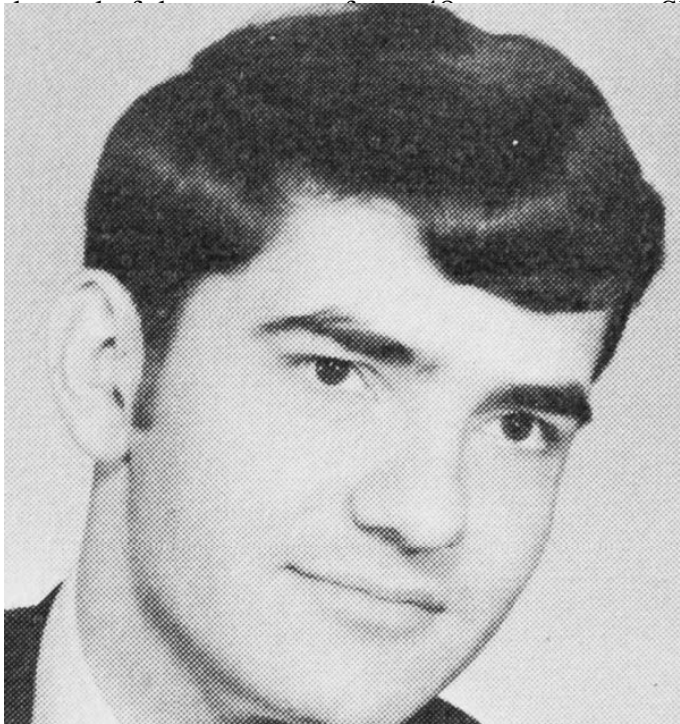
Stand By Me

The Stinging Singers a cappella group gave a lovely performance of Ben E. King's "Stand By Me." While a cappella groups are common at four-year schools, they are rare at community colleges, noted Music Coordinator Brenda Dawe. Started by student Anastasia Alexopoulos, the group is performing in the larger community at charity events and other venues.



The Stinging Singers perform at the Spring 2019 Faculty Staff Assembly

It was perhaps an appropriate tune for this Faculty Staff Assembly, the last for Dr. Battisti. He is retiring at SUNY Broome – or a full half-century, if you count the two



college, starting as a student and a student leader, and then h,” President Drumm said.

Francis Battisti then





Dr. Francis Battisti today

Dr. Battisti wasn't always the best student in his youth, he admitted, and started to run into trouble in eighth grade. To keep him focused, his school asked him to become part of its science fair. His project: dissecting a cow eye.

He was selected to go to Broome Technical College to present at the regional fair and ended up standing on the floor of the Baldwin Gym. "I thought I was going to Harvard," he said of his first impression of the college.

He ended up a Hornet himself, and returned a few years later as a counselor – the last hired, after his psychology professor passed away. A deeply rewarding career followed, including the last seven spent in the Administration.

"The main thing was that classroom. That's sacred ground," he said of his time as a professor. "That's an important place."



A view of campus: an older building from our early days, and a rendering of the future Culinary & Event Center

SUNY Broome Night at Binghamton Devils on Feb. 1

January 24, 2019

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Hornets: Enjoy a night watching the Binghamton Devils Hockey Team at 7 p.m. Feb. 1. Tickets are only \$2 and available from the the Student Activities Office.

You must show your student ID, and there is a maximum of four tickets per ID.



BC HEARS wins NASPA Excellence Gold Award

January 23, 2019

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Broome County HEARS (Higher Education Access, Retention and Success) was selected as NASPA's 2018-2019 NASPA Excellence Gold Award Winner for Off-Campus, Commuter, Non-traditional, Graduate, Professional, and related category.

The grant-funded program seeks to aid community members who wish to access higher education, students who dropped out before completing a degree and are looking to re-enroll, and those students who are eligible for a reverse-transfer Associate's degree.

Each year, NASPA recognizes the outstanding contributions of members who are transforming higher education through exceptional programs, innovative services, and effective administration. NASPA's Excellence Awards cover eleven categories crucial to the success of students and the continued growth of the student affairs profession. Winners are recognized at the NASPA Annual Conference (<https://www.naspa.org/about/awards/excellence-awards>).

Faculty & Staff are invited to Alumni Night at the Binghamton Devils

January 23, 2019

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SUNY Broome faculty and staff, please join us for an exciting evening of AHL hockey when the Binghamton Devils take on the Laval Rocket!

Date: Saturday, February 16, 2019

Time: 7:05 P.M. (Game Time)

Location: Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial Arena, 1 Stuart Street, Binghamton, NY

Cost is \$20 per person, (children 2 and under are free) and includes:

- Game ticket with reserved seat
- Food voucher (hot dog and soft drink)
- Post-game group photo on the ice

Three Reasons Why You Should Attend This Event:

Reason 1: It's Affordable!

Binghamton Devil Hockey tickets are already about \$20 and do not include food. So, really, if you like hockey already...what are you waiting for?

Reason 2: It's Family-Friendly!

It's not too early to encourage a love for sports, community and SUNY Broome. Plus, children two and under are free!

Reason 3: It Supports SUNY Broome!

Join in the fun and show your Hornet pride!

We'd love to see you there! Consider buying your tickets early before this event fills up. Register now at: www.sunybroome.edu/alumni



Upcoming Professional Development Events

January 22, 2019

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Webinar: Enrollment Management: Create Opportunities to Sustain Enrollment and Revenue Objectives

What is your institution doing to combat this decline in H.S. graduates and achieve its enrollment goals?

How is your institution balancing the decline in state and federal financial support and the reality of being tuition-driven?

Join our expert presenter as he discusses the challenges related to effectively recruiting and enrolling enough students during this prolonged period of change and decline in demographics. In addition, he will share how institutions are addressing these trends to ensure the needs of your enrolled students are met. He'll also discuss tactics some colleges are using to "right size" and make the case for lower enrollment. Develop realistic budgets, maintain viability and plan for projected enrollment trends appropriately.

Panelists:

W. Kent Barnds is the Executive Vice President of External Relations at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois.

Topics Covered:

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

Develop effective enrollment strategies to address and combat trends related to the declining and shifting demographics of eligible students — gain familiarity with the latest trends so you can combat declining enrollment on your campus.

Implement steps to maintain enrollment numbers — combat the decline in state and federal support, tuition-driven pressure and ensure you achieve your revenue goals.

Incorporate successful enrollment and retention strategies from other institutions that are facing the same pressure into your strategic plans — effectively maintain profitability, enrollment numbers and increase graduation rates.

Analyze the current and projected enrollment trends — embrace that this is the "new normal" and meet the challenge by taking appropriate action to attract, retain, and graduate those students that enroll at your institution.

Understand the importance of an institution-wide approach to meeting enrollment goals — engage faculty, staff, coaches and current students in the process to appeal to and enroll the right students who will succeed and thrive on your campus.

When: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 **Venue:** Wales 107 **Time:** 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm **Hosted by:** Diversity Initiatives **Facilitated by:** Elisabeth Costanzo **Register:** [Register Here](#)

Webinar: Peter Lake on Duty of Care: The 2018 Precedent-Setting Cases & Their Implications on Your Institution's Legal Obligations

In 2018, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and the California Supreme Court handed down major,

precedent-setting decisions with respect to college student safety and a college's duty to prevent foreseeable violence to students. Both courts determined the college/student relationship *itself* is "special." This has enormous implications for the future of college student safety law.

How will these two cases from 2018 influence your institution's legal obligations regarding reasonable care in 2019 and beyond?

Join Professor Peter Lake, an internationally-recognized expert on higher education law and policy, as he provides you with a comprehensive overview of the implication of these decisions and the impact, they will have on the evolution of campus safety law and operational practices on campus.

Panelists:

Peter Lake currently serves as a Professor of Law, Charles A. Dana Chair, and Director of the Center for Excellence in Higher Education Law and Policy at Stetson University College of Law in Gulfport, Florida. **Topics Covered:**

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

- Examine the two key state supreme court rulings to understand what "reasonable action" to protect students looks like in various contexts — **help your institution's centralized system for assisting students in distress encourage appropriate communication between academic affairs, student affairs and campus support services.**
- Educate colleagues serving on CARE/BIT/Threat Assessment Teams about the key components of these cases — **inform critical stakeholders so they are more knowledgeable and better prepared to work with current and evolving standards of care.**
- Identify the core components of potential institutional negligence liability — **develop strategies that appropriately identify and mitigate reasonably foreseeable risks of self-harm and violence in compliance with educational and legal standards.**
- Create an educational community that facilitates reasonable levels of safety and respects the autonomy and privacy of students — **provide a safe and responsible living-learning environment that allows your students to succeed**

When: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 **Venue:** Wales 107 **Time:** 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm **Hosted by:** Diversity Initiatives **Facilitated by:** Joseph O'Connor **Register:** [Register Here](#)



Webinar: Implementing Universal Design To Create An Inclusive Classroom

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Key Takeaway: Learn dozens of practical activities and strategies to implement Universal Learning Design in a college course to increase student access, engagement, and academic success.

Challenge: Classrooms can contain unseen barriers to learning for many students. The classroom instructor is on the front line for increasing student achievement and persistence rather than expecting campus learning centers and tutors to carry the major responsibility.

Overview: Universal Design for Learning (UDL) is a learning approach that enhances the ability of all students to access and use course content and materials while limiting the need for special accommodations for those students who have disabilities. The result is a better learning environment for all students, increased classroom inclusion of students with disabilities, increased interaction between students with and without disabilities and reduced work for the instructor. Rather than focusing on modifying instructional approaches on a case by case basis, UDL encourages instructors to concentrate on the development of instructional strategies that most students can use to gain knowledge and skills related to the specific content areas. In other words, UDL ensures accessibility as an integral part of learning and accessibility benefits multiple students in multiple ways.

UDL asks the instructor to consider answers to the following questions: What are the essential components of their course? What are the outcomes (skills, knowledge, and attitudes) that all students must demonstrate in the course? How can these outcomes be evaluated with or without accommodations in a nondiscriminatory manner? How do traditional assessment methods advantage some students and disadvantage other students? What accommodations for some students benefit all students?

Objectives

- Acquire a basic understanding of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) principles
- Understand how UDL can be applied to any learning environment
- Review case studies of UDL use in academic content courses
- Identify UDL activities and approaches to use in your class
- Discover campus and community resources to help you implement UDL
- Develop an action plan to apply UDL to your class in the next six months

When: Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Venue: Library 105

Time: 1 – 2 p.m.

Hosted by: Diversity Initiatives

Facilitated by: Sherry Chandler

Register: [Register Here](#)



Focus on Wellness: eni Monthly Wellness Newsletter

January 22, 2019

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eni is pleased to bring you their monthly Wellness Newsletter.

Please click the link below to access the newsletter and feel free to email marketing@eniweb.com or contact your Customer Relations Representative with any questions.

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From the Desk of Dr. Battisti: What's Next SUNY Broome?

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Diminishing public funding, declining enrollment, and public perceptions questioning the value of a college degree are just a few of the challenges that require dynamic responses. At SUNY Broome we know that to uphold our mission and maintain legitimacy in our community, we must turn these challenges into opportunities.

An initiative called, **What's Next SUNY Broome?** was developed through our Civic Engagement Center. Its goal is to help respond to the challenges we are facing in meaningful and sustainable ways. Conversations that include various stakeholders will be held on and off campus to help us discover what's next for our college.

To launch **What's Next SUNY Broome?** we will kick-off **Celebrating SUNY Broome through the Years** this Thursday at our Welcome Back Address with a basic timeline of campus milestones. Please come prepared to add events to the timeline that are meaningful to you. Consider programs, special initiatives, extra-curricular or community events, etc. that highlight the various ways we have adapted to meet the needs of our ever changing community. If you'd like to support this initiative or are interested in attending a dialogue session contact Lisa Strahley: strahleyla@sunybroome.edu or 778-5693.

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Spring Faculty/Staff Assembly on Jan. 24

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Scene from the Spring 2018 Faculty Staff Assembly Information Fair.

Great Books Discussion to begin Feb. 8

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The Great Books Discussion will begin at noon Friday, Feb. 8, in Liberal Arts Conference Room T-210. The books that will be discussed during the Spring 2019 semester are *Wild* by Cheryl Strayed and *Wanderlust: A History of Walking* by Rebecca Solnit. Both have earned acclaim as notable books of the 21st century.

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



Why go to a community college first? The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation has an answer

January 18, 2019

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Did you know that starting your educational path at a community college makes you more likely to succeed?

[A recent study by the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation](#) shows that community college students who transfer to selective four-year institutions perform as well as—or better than—their peers who enrolled directly from high school.

Graduation rates of community college transfer students match or even exceed those of students who start at four-year institutions as freshmen. Plus, community college students graduate at higher rates than students who transfer from other four-year schools!

So take heart, Hornets: Starting at SUNY Broome will give you the best possible start for your future, whether you're looking to transfer or enter the world.



Title IX/Sexual Harassment Training: Next scheduled for Jan. 23

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Title IX/Sexual Harassment training for employees:

- Wednesday, January 23, from 1 – 2 p.m. in NSC-207G

Per new New York State law, every employer in NYS is required to provide employees with sexual harassment prevention training. As we are also an educational institution, federal law mandates we offer Title IX training as well.

Per the new NYS law, employees must receive training on an annual basis. Even if you have previously attended, employees must be trained annually.

Registration is not required and a sign-in sheet will be used to take attendance. A question and answer session will follow the training.

Additional training times will be offered during the Spring 2019 semester. Any questions, please contact Paige Sedlacek.



Nominate students for the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence

January 17, 2019

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Every year, we have the opportunity to honor and recognize some of the most distinguished students by nominating them for the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. It is the highest honor bestowed upon a student by the University. In addition to an impressive array of co-curricular accomplishments, previous recipients had an

overall GPA of 3.8. With this in mind, please think critically about nominating anyone with lower than a 3.5 GPA.

Nominations are sought for students who have best demonstrated and been recognized for their integration of academic excellence with other aspects of their lives including leadership, campus involvement, community service, arts (creative or performing), athletics, and/or career achievement.

Recognition Ceremony

At a University-wide event held in Albany, New York, at 2 p.m. April 24. Students, their families and campus presidents or designees convene to celebrate recipients of this award.

Nominations

In order to be eligible, the student must graduate between June 2018 and May 2019. Nominations must be returned by noon, Jan. 21. These nominations can be filled out electronically here (<https://goo.gl/forms/Ek2DlgbFo1zenQA3>) or the questionnaire can be printed and submitted to the Student Activities Office to Science Building 224. Anyone can nominate a student or the student can self-nominate.

If you would like to be a part of the selection committee to decide on the nominations, please contact Jason Boring at Boringjw@sunybroome.edu or call the Student Activities Office at 607-778-5033.

SUNY Broome Reading Group: What's Next?

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Colleagues,

As I mentioned in several campus committees and meetings during the fall, I am starting a reading group, which will be focused on reviewing directions, trends, and data in higher education, specifically focused on community colleges. The intended outcome for the group is to discuss and sharpen SUNY Broome's focus on "what's next" in this continuously changing landscape.

The reading group will start meeting in February 2019. We will meet five to six times over the spring semester. The book that we will read is: *Redesigning America's Community Colleges* by Thomas R. Bailey, Shanna Smith Jaggars and David Jenkins. Several copies will be available from our library collection along with an executive summary of the book, and a power point presentation given by author Thomas R. Bailey. Starting Jan. 28, 2019, copies of the book and the supplemental materials will be available at the Circulation Desk in the library.

If you would like to discuss the future of SUNY Broome and the current challenges and opportunities for higher education, please consider joining the reading group. Contact Rhoda Neal: 778-5138 or nealrr@sunybroome.edu if you wish to participate. Meeting dates/times will be scheduled shortly.

Thank you,

Francis L. Battisti, Ph.D.

Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer

In the Community: Major Barnett to speak during MLK celebration

January 17, 2019

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Dr. Major Barnett will be this year's keynote speaker for the community Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 21, 2019, at Salvation Temple Church, located at 80 Main St. in Binghamton.

Barnett is an adjunct instructor in the Department of History, Philosophy and Social Sciences.

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Deep Learning: Health for Haiti changes lives, both here and abroad

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Health for Haiti students, professors and staff with Haitian children during the 2019 trip's beach day.

Tallying up the numbers can provide some insight into [SUNY Broome's Health for Haiti global service learning course](#), and its impact on the communities it serves.

During the January 2019 trip, dental teams staffed by SUNY Broome students sealed 1,720 teeth and treated more than 200 patients. Medical teams treated 104 patients at the Damabiah orphanage, where they also provided educational programs to more than 300 children – hands-on lessons in science, physical education, the arts, nutrition and more.

Another 100 students enjoyed educational programs in the rural community of Grande Saline, where the medical and dental teams treated 121 patients during their last day there. Teams of students provided 520 families with enough rice, beans, fish and oil to last them at least two weeks – all purchased from local farmers. Another team performed essential maintenance on a water filtration system the program installed a few years ago, and which typically provides the community with 6,000 gallons of clean water a day.

A makeshift pharmacy distributing needed medications. Free lunches for children. Community gardens. A sewing school. Computer literacy training. Comforting the sick. Games, lessons and a fun beach day with children. A trip to the national museum, where Haitian interpreters recited their nation's proud history by memory.

“Without the work of our students, we could not have accomplished as much as we did for the Haitian people,” said Professor and Health for Haiti organizer Maureen Hankin, as the class gathered one last time

following their return. “Global service learning does make a difference in the world.”

And sometimes that difference is anecdotal, unexpected and intensely personal.

On their last day in Haiti, members of the class – which included students not only from SUNY Broome, but Binghamton University, SUNY Geneseo and Le Moyne College – purchased souvenirs in their guest house. France, the “souvenir guy,” lost an arm in the 2010 earthquake and works primarily as a truck driver.

The past year hit Haiti hard with drought and civil unrest that shuttered the airports during the summer, thwarting not only potential tourism but Health for Haiti’s July trip. As a result, France had less work – and was no longer able to send his daughter to school, Professor and Health for Haiti organizer Jennifer Musa related.

Enter SUNY Broome, and the students’ last-day shopping spree. After the Hornets headed home, France paid a visit to the guest house owner with a guest of his own: His young daughter, who proudly twirled in her school uniform.

“She’s going back to school,” Professor Musa said, as several students swabbed shining eyes. “You made such an impact over these 10 days.”

[Read more about Health for Haiti here.](#)



Minhjung playing with children at Damabiah orphanage.

An experience that changes you

The final Jan. 15 class gave the Health for Haiti students the opportunity to share their experiences through presentations – and deal with sometimes conflicting emotions. SUNY Broome Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer Francis Battisti, who is also a social worker, helped students process their experience.

Most were surprised by their experiences – and deeply moved, many vowing to return or shift their lives to focus more on helping others.

“It almost feels like it didn’t happen, like a dream state,” reflected Jacob, whose sister and cousin had gone on previous Health for Haiti trips.

Participants reported dealing with feelings of guilt – over the abundance they experience every day in the United States, compared to the poverty they witnessed. Some vowed never to complain again, or tolerant the complaints of friends over small matters.

When Samantha returned, her father made her ravioli. The SUNY Broome nursing student burst into tears, reflecting on the abundance of resources and choices that surround her every day, in comparison to the people she helped.

For Natasha and Robert, the trip took an added dimension. Both are the children of Haitian immigrants and grew up around Haitian culture, but never had the opportunity to visit the island themselves.

Natasha, a BU student whose goal is to become a nurse practitioner with a practice in Haiti, described seeing people who looked like her parents, and feeling a true connection to the culture.

“My family would tell me stories about Haiti when I was very young,” reflected Robert, who listened to Haitian children perform a song his mother once sang for him as a child. “I felt Haitian; I never knew what that felt like.”

For [Minhyung](#), the experience put her on the same footing as her SUNY Broome peers. An international student from South Korea, she gave up the opportunity to go home during winter break, to be comfortable at home and speak her own language.

“That was the best decision I ever made,” she said.

Early on in her American experience, she struggled with the language and often felt alone. As she worked alongside her peers in Haiti, she felt only caring and fellowship – as well as a renewed commitment to become a dentist and return to the island to provide aid.

“We were all foreigners in Haiti. We felt the same frustration, the same language barriers,” she said.



The dental team at work in Haiti.

‘Showered with love’

During their presentations, the Health for Haiti students recounted moments that stayed with them from the trip.

Abby watched a 3-year-old boy get his lunch in Grande Saline, and then walk into the village to share his bounty with others. Children receiving free lunches didn’t eat right away, but waited until everyone in the room had the same meal before starting, Aurora added.

“Family is a big deal for them. People take care of each other,” noted Claire, a SUNY Geneseo student who went on a previous trip to Haiti.

Jacob worked on the water system in Grande Saline, with a team from Pall Corporation. In addition to changing a valve and conducting a chemical clean of the entire system, they had to perform a remote software update – conducted with a cell phone hotspot jerry-rigged to a laptop, he remembered.

Children in Isaac and Kaia’s physical education lessons enthusiastically ran off with soccer balls, inventing their own games. Others were thrilled by the opportunity to inspect models of the heart, or see mosquitoes through microscopes for the first time. But the scenes could be heartbreaking, too: At Mother Teresa’s Children’s Hospital, children of all ages faced death, many too ill to play or raise their heads, Austin said.

Medical and dental clinics worked at a hectic pace, aiming to treat as many patients as possible, ranging in age from month-old infants to the elderly.

“We saw a lot of skin infections, UTIs, people walking around with bleeding wounds and infections for months. They’re living with these things and working morning to night,” Samantha, the nursing student, remembered. “It’s going to shape our careers and make us better healthcare providers.”

While the students made an impact on the people of Grande Saline and other Haitian communities, they found that what they received in return – the generosity and kindness of the Haitian people, a deep look into both the inequities of the world and communities based on sharing and mutual support – made a lasting impact on their own lives.

“We were showered with so much love,” said Natasha, the Binghamton University student.



Children in Grande Saline

In the Community: MLK Event with Dr. Wes Bellamy at Binghamton University

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Binghamton University's Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and the Uiversity Educational Institute is hosting "Monumental: The Fight Lives On- featuring Dr. Wes Bellamy" at 3 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, in the Old Union Hall on the BU campus.

[Bellamy](#), a Charlottesville, Va., city councilman, will discuss his book *Monumental: It Was Never About a Statue*, highlighting his work to address white supremacy.

A Political Science professor at Virginia State University known for his commitment to fighting for racial and social justice, he came into the national spotlight after helping to lead the effort to remove statues of Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson from city parks in Charlottesville and opposition to the Unite the Right white supremacy rally in his community. He has been featured in the New York Times, Washington Post, USA Today, Huffington Post, and has made appearances on CNN, MSNBC, PBS News Hour, NPR and On One with Angela Rye.

An open book signing will begin at 3 p.m., with the talk at 4 p.m., followed by a question and answer session.

Professor Montemagno to shave her head for a cause. Join in on Feb. 24!

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Raise funds for childhood cancer research and watch Professor Maria Montemagno and Leslie Scalzo of the Business and Professional Services Division get their heads shaved on Feb. 24!

(Yes, you've read that correctly.)

Professor Montemagno and Ms. Scalzo are participating in a head-shaving event that will benefit the St. Baldrick's Foundation, which will take place at Touch of Texas at 1240 Front St. in Binghamton. The event is co-hosted by CooperPalooza and will begin at 1 p.m., with the shaving to commence at 2 p.m.

Professor Montemagno is looking for more volunteers to help out with the event, donations, and people willing to shave their heads with her and Ms. Scalzo. If you've ever wanted to try out an ultra-short short 'do, now is the time.

Interested? Contact Professor Montemagno at montemangomk@sunybroome.edu or 607-778-5694

[StBaldricks AboutUs](#)

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Interested in study abroad? Check out this \$2,000 scholarship — and apply by March 8!

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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 March 8, 2019, at 5 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.

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[DAHSPAApplication2018-19 \(PDF\)](#) Download

[DAHSPGuidelines2018-19 \(PDF\)](#) Download



R.N. to B.S. program for Nurses through Keuka College

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Attention, Nursing students: Keuka College now offers an R.N. to B.S. Program on the SUNY Broome campus!

Click the attachment for more information.

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Engine of success: Tiffany shifts gears from race instructor to future engineer

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Tiffany Simonik

Tiffany Simonik once traveled the country, helping others fulfill their high-speed dreams as an instructor with the NASCAR Racing Experience.

She has pit-crew skills, too, and moved to North Carolina when she was 19 to earn a certificate in Automotive Technology from the NASCAR Technical Institute. She learned about metal fabrication, welding, engineer repair and aerodynamics, and raced herself.

But a checkered flag awaits the end of every race, and Tiffany returned home to the Southern Tier. One of two winners of this year's Vanguard Award, which recognizes students in fields considered non-traditional by gender, Tiffany has embarked on a new dream – designing engines and other automotive components for the transportation of the future.

“You definitely have to have a certain type of brain to do technical work,” she reflected.

Both her parents had worked at Sanmina in Owego while she was growing up, and Tiffany developed an interest in technology and mechanics at a young age.

At SUNY Broome, she is a dual major in Mechanical Engineering Technology and Manufacturing Technology – and is often the only woman in her class. She tries to blend in and “be one of the guys,” although some factors have inevitably set her apart: She had her daughter, now a toddler, while enrolled as a

student. Her professors were very accommodating to her as a parenting student, something Tiffany appreciates.

“I’ve really enjoyed it. I’ve really missed New York,” she said of her experience at SUNY Broome. “My professors are incredibly knowledgeable and experienced, and they’re more than willing to help you out with anything personal or school-related. I really love it here.”

[Learn about our Mechanical Engineering Technology degree program.](#)

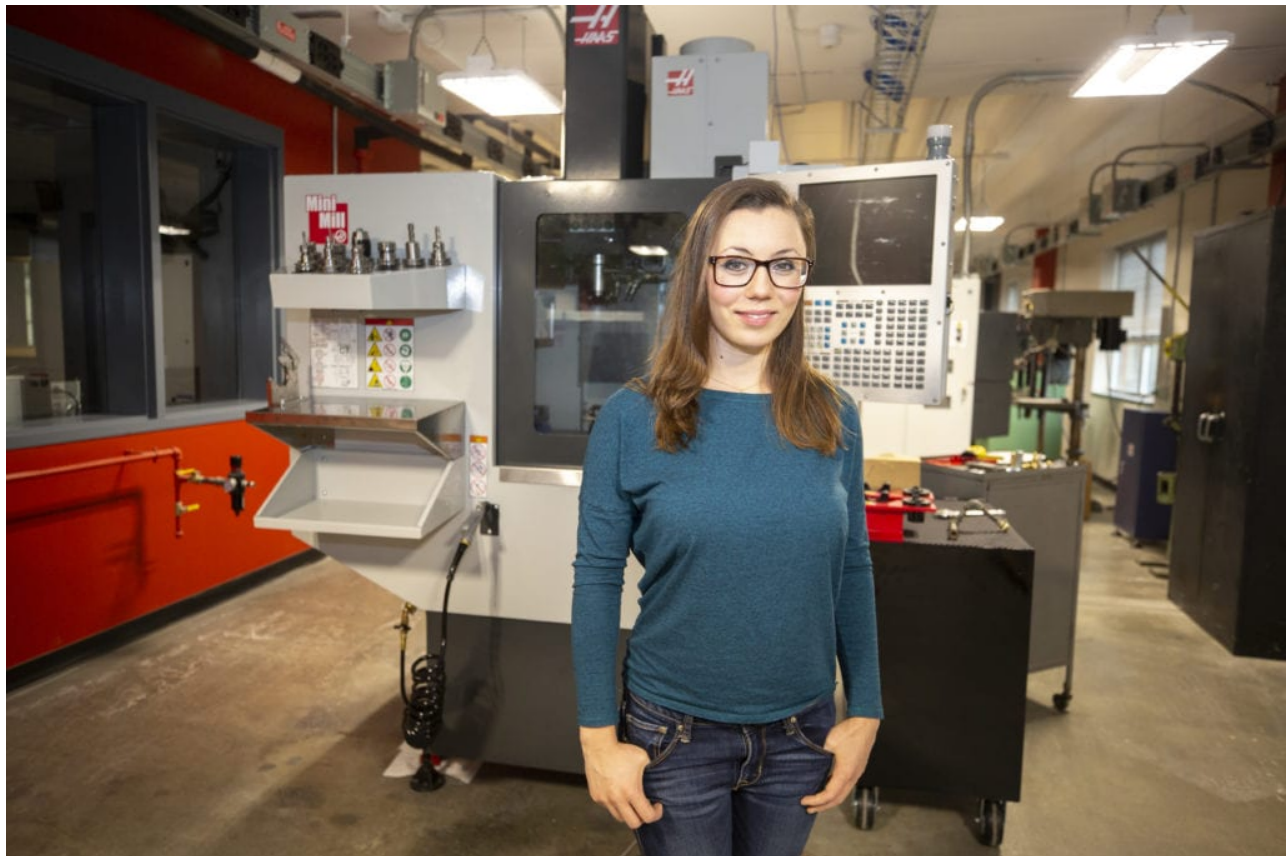
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Professors who made an impact include Diana LaBelle and Dirk Elliott; they teach many of Tiffany’s classes.

Tiffany enrolled in Fall 2016, and estimates that she’s about “60 percent done” with her coursework. Once she graduates, she plans to apply for jobs at BAE Systems or Lockheed Martin, and eventually pursue her bachelor’s degrees in Engineering Science online.

Growing up in the area, she heard a lot about “Front Street High,” but SUNY Broome bears little resemblance to high school, she found. Rigorous academics are preparing her well for her field. An added plus: Many of her classes are in the new [Paul & Mary Calice and Mildred Barton Advanced Manufacturing Center](#), which features new, state-of-the-art equipment for the college’s STEM programs.

“My program has been incredibly challenging,” she said. “It definitely exceeded my expectations.”



Tiffany Simonik

College closed on Jan. 21 for MLK Day

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A reminder: The college will be closed on Monday, Jan. 21, for the Martin Luther King Day Jr. holiday. Stay safe and have a great holiday weekend!



In the Community: United Way Trivia Night fundraiser on Feb. 21

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Don't miss this fun opportunity to give back to our community! Space is limited for United Way's Trivia Night Fundraiser for 2019 Day of Caring.

Trivia Night will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21, at American Legion Post 80. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

See flier for details on how to sign your team up! Contact Gina Chase with any questions (chasegm@sunybroome.edu).

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Deadline to register is Jan. 17 for the 7th annual January Teaching Conference

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7th annual January Teaching Conference: “Open Minds — Teaching with Open Resources”

When: Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Where: Campus Dining Hall

Register: <https://sunycpd.eventsair.com/erbroome012219/reg>

Deadline to register is this Thursday, Jan. 17

Keynote speaker: Dr. Karen Cangialosi, Professor of Biology and Coordinator of Faculty Enrichment at Keene State College

- 9 a.m.: Welcome, Introduction and Overview of OER in SUNY and at SUNY Broome (Tony DeFranco from SUNY OER Services)
- 9:30 a.m.: Keynote Speaker
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m.: Break
- 10:45 – 11:30 a.m.: OER Petting Zoo: View and Use OER, OER Platforms and Ask Questions
- 11:30 – 12:15 p.m.: OER Faculty with SUNY Broome and SUNY faculty
- 12:15 – 1 p.m. Lunch
- 1 – 2 p.m.: Continuous Improvement with Lumen Learning & SUNY OER Services
- 2 – 3:30 p.m.: Ready-to-Adopt Catalog; sandbox courses, etc.



Program review training on Jan. 22

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Please join us for a Program Review Training presented by Dr. Debbie Moeckel, SUNY Assistant Provost for Assessment & Community College Education, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2019, in D-201.

The training will focus on:

- Guidance for the program review process
- SUNY and MSCHE expectations for Program Review
- Best Program Review practices
- A sustainable process for Program Reviews
- Integrating student learning assessment results and planning in the Program Review process

The session is open to the campus community. Those departments that are in the process of a program review or that are slated to undergo a program review soon are encouraged to attend.

Please register if you plan to attend: [Register Here](#)

Thank you,
Francis

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Employee Information Handbook 2018-19

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Attention All Employees:

The Employee Information Handbook is an annual publication that has been developed to fulfill required State and Federal obligations. These legal mandates stipulate that employees have a right to information about campus safety, campus policies, procedures and services regarding health, safety and overall operations.

All information should be read annually by every employee:

- *Nepotism Policy*
- *Sexual Harassment/Title IX*
- *Work-Related Injury*
- *Workplace Violence Prevention Procedure*
- *Smoke-Free Facility*
- *Information Technology Services*
- *Children on Campus*

· *Civility Statement*

Enclosed please find the updated Employee Information Handbook. It is also available online when you log into MyCollege, click on the “Employee” tab, scroll to “Human Resources Documents” (on the left), then “Forms and Documents”, Employee Handbook.

If you have trouble accessing this document, please contact Paige Sedlacek, Human Resources Specialist at Extension 5319.

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Alumni Night at the Binghamton Devils on Feb. 16

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Do you love SUNY Broome? Do you love hockey?

Join fellow SUNY Broome Alumni and guests for an exciting evening of AHL hockey when the Binghamton Devils take on the Laval Rocket!

Date: Saturday, February 16, 2019

Time: 7:05 P.M. (Game Time)

Location:

Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial Arena

1 Stuart Street, Binghamton, NY

Cost is \$20 per person, (children under 2 free) and includes:

Game ticket with reserved seat

Food voucher (hot dog and soft drink)

Post-game group photo on the ice

We'd love to see you there! Consider buying your tickets early before this event fills up.



Speakers of the House to meet Jan. 11, 25

January 10, 2019

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Speakers of the House, a Toastmasters International club, will meet on Friday, Jan. 11, and Friday, Jan. 25. Both meetings will begin at 3:10 p.m. in Titchener Hall Room 107.

If you would like more information, please visit <https://speakersofthehouse.toastmastersclubs.org/>



Fitness Fusion for faculty and staff begins Feb. 6

January 10, 2019

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness



Increase your flexibility and strength in our Fitness Fusion class — free to faculty and staff — from 5 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays from Feb. 6 through May 15.

Classes will be held Feb. 6, 13, 20 and 27, March 6, 13, 20 and 27, April 3, 10 and 24, and May 1, 8 and 15 in Dance Room SC 106.

In this class, you will strengthen your core, and stretch to increase your flexibility using Pilates, yoga, Sculpting and barefoot cardio. You will learn the importance of core strength and flexibility, feel healthier through regular movement, get weekly tips and workouts to ease you into a successful program, and build motivation through positive support.

Your commitment will be to attend a minimum of 10 classes and to participate to the best of your ability. This class can accommodate only 20 participants, so if you're ready to commit to this program, sign up today!

Contact Continuing Education at **778-5012** – Course Reference **#GW003-01**

Allison Ellis – Instructor

Sponsored by SUNY Broome Wellness Committee

Jan. 17 Public Voice: What should legislative priorities be in 2019?

January 9, 2019

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome will host a Public Voice event from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019, in Decker Health Sciences Building Room 201 on campus. **All citizens are invited to attend.**

The college's Center for Civic Engagement wants to hear what local community members think the top **three legislative priorities** — at the county, state and federal levels — should be. In addition, the Center is asking Rep. Anthony Brindisi, our New York State, the Broome County Executive, the Chair of the Broome County Legislature and the Democratic Minority Leader to provide us with their top three legislative priorities.

Since job creation is important to our local community, it doesn't need to be included as one of the top issues. During the event, the Center will list the priorities that have been articulated by our elected officials.

The ground rules are as follows:

- Each citizen is encouraged to bring a written list of their top priorities.
- Each citizen will be given up to 2 minutes to identify their top three local, state and federal legislative priorities.
- Elected officials or their designee are invited to attend the event to listen to citizen input, but will not be asked to comment; likewise, citizens are not to engage legislators or their designees in any conversation during the event about the issues. Conversation before or after the formal portion of the event is permitted.
- Citizens' views will be recorded and a copy given to appropriate elected officials.
- If a citizen is unable to attend the event but wishes to contribute input, they may mail their top issues to Lisa Strahley, Civic Engagement Coordinator, SUNY Broome Community College, at strahleyla@sunybroome.edu Submissions will be accepted through Jan. 24, 2019.

This type of event was pioneered at Panama City Community College and has been endorsed by elected officials, who view the event as a type of public opinion poll on what issues are deemed important in the community.

Co-sponsors for this event include SUNY Broome's Center for Civic Engagement, Student Assembly, the college's Department of History and Social Science, and the Broome County Chamber of Commerce.



BC Center goes to the opera

January 9, 2019

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At the invitation of ACHIEVE on Cutler Pond Road, the children at The B.C. Center attended the Tri-Cities Opera performance *Goldie B. Locks and the Three Singing Bears*.

Being exposed to professional opera singers is a unique opportunity, especially when the children can walk to the performance venue!

The Day Habilitation Program at ACHIEVE provides support for individuals with moderate to severe disabilities. It also gives program participants the chance to become involved in their community. It is the hope of everyone involved that this is just the beginning of an ongoing partnership between the two programs.





In Memoriam: The passing of Randy Harvey's father

January 9, 2019

Categories: Uncategorized

SUNY Broome is saddened to announce the passing of Randy Harvey's father, Richard Harvey.

Richard Martin Eben Harvey, Sr, 77, of Tunkhannock passed away on Jan. 6, 2019 at the Gardens of Tunkhannock. Rich was born on Dec. 25, 1941 in Forkston and was the son of the late Martin and Arlita (Foote) Harvey.

Richard received his GED and went on to own his own contracting company where he specialized in heating, plumbing, and electrical. Rich enjoyed over 45 years in this business with help from his children. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting and camping with his family.

In addition to his wife Sharon May (Rozelle) Harvey, he is predeceased by a daughter Denise Ann Harvey, a granddaughter Deborah Sue Harvey, and a sister Carmelita Strohl.

He is survived by his children; Richard Harvey, Jr. of Montrose, Randy Harvey of Binghamton, Sharon Haines of Scranton, Danielle Schuckers, of Plymouth, and Ryan Harvey of Tunkhannock, 15 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

A private memorial service for the family will be held at a later date at the Harding-Litwin Funeral Home 123 W. Tioga St. Tunkhannock, officiated by Pastor Bob Kadlecik of the Bridgewater Church in Montrose. Interment will be at the Sunnyside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider making donations to Allied Services <https://www.allied-services.org/about-giving/> or the American Lung Association <https://www.lung.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/>

For online condolences visit www.aplitwinfuneralhomes.com



Richard Harvey Sr.

SANS OUCH! January 2019: Search Yourself Online

January 9, 2019

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We are excited to announce January's edition of the OUCH! newsletter, Search Yourself Online. We decided to kick 2019 off with a bang and try something different. Led by Guest Editor and cyber intelligence expert Nico Dekens, we walk you through how to search yourself online. Ever wonder just how much information is publicly available about you? Ever want to learn the same tricks and methods hackers use to gather information on victims? Learn about this new field (called Open Source Intelligence), how you can search yourself, and how to protect your online presence.

Search Yourself Online: <https://www.sans.org/security-awareness-training/resources/search-yourself-online>

SUNY Broome Community College's Online Computer Security Awareness Training 2018/2019 (Faculty & Staff only): <https://sso.securingthehuman.org/suny>



Preliminary Progress Report on accomplishments tied to 2017-2022 College Strategic Plan

January 9, 2019

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Please click below for preliminary updates tied to the 2017-2022 College Strategic Plan from the Office of Institutional Effectiveness. Please note that this is preliminary information and the list will be updated.

[Preliminary Progress Report Strategic Plan Accomplishments Updated \(PDF\)](#)

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Upcoming Board of Trustees meetings

January 7, 2019

Categories: Uncategorized

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

- January 22, 2019 (Tuesday) – Monthly meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee, 9 a.m., Wales Administration Center Conference Room 107.
- January 24, 2019 (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.



YOGA: Short and Sweet

January 7, 2019

Categories: FOCUS on Wellness



Yoga: Short and Sweet runs from noon to 12:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays from Feb. 5 through May 7 in Student Center Room 106.

Class dates are Feb. 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26 and 28, March 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26 and 28, April 2, 4 (no class April 9), 11, (no class during spring break April 16 and 18), 23, 25 and 30, May 2 and 7.

Instructor Allison Ellis will lead this lunchtime rejuvenation program.

Learn to breathe deep, move slowly, connect and restore, starting with a Vinyasa warmup that allows you to feel more calm, centered, strong and flexible.

Short and Sweet will provide a well-balanced workout so you feel refreshed and ready to conquer the rest of your day. Bring a yoga mat and water bottle with you.

Limit of 20 participants.

Sponsored by ***SUNY BROOME WELLNESS COMMITTEE*** at no charge to our faculty and staff. (Must complete waiver).

To register: Contact Continuing Education at 778-5012

Course Reference **#GW005-01**

January Teaching Conference: Teaching With Open Resources

January 7, 2019

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7th Annual January Teaching Conference “Open Minds – Teaching with Open Resources”

When: Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Where: Campus Dining Hall

Register: <https://sunycpd.eventsair.com/oerbroome012219/reg>

Keynote speaker: Dr. Karen Cangialosi

Professor of Biology and Coordinator of Faculty Enrichment at Keene State College

- 9 a.m.: Welcome, Introduction and Overview of OER in SUNY and at SUNY Broome (Tony DeFranco from SUNY OER Services)
- 9:30 a.m.: Keynote Speaker
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m.: Break
- 10:45 – 11:30 a.m.: OER Petting Zoo: View and Use OER, OER Platforms and Ask Questions
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.: OER faculty with SUNY Broome and SUNY faculty
- 12:15 – 1 p.m. Lunch
- 1 – 2 p.m.: Continuous Improvement with Lumen Learning & SUNY OER Services
- 2 – 3:30 p.m.: Ready-to-Adopt Catalog; sandbox courses, etc.



In Memoriam: The passing of Laura Maurer's mother, Joan Bucek

January 3, 2019

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Joan E. (Button)
Bucek

SUNY Broome is saddened to announce the passing of Laura Maurer's mother, Joan Bucek.

Joan E. (Button) Bucek, age 77, passed away on December 29, 2018. She was predeceased by her parents, partner in life, grandson and granddaughter. Joan is survived by her daughters; Cheryl, Jane (Bill) Peanit (Rick), step children; Jean (Bill), Pat (Tina) and Art (Debbie). Also by dozens of grandchildren, great grandchildren, special friend Carol Connors (PIC) and her babies Susie and Sissy. Joan retired from BC Support & Collection Unit. She was kind and loving to all. She loved her family, friends and animals, was always fashionable and loved shopping. Family will receive friends on Sunday, January 6, 2019 from 1-3 pm at The Relief Pitcher. A private service will follow. In lieu of flowers please make a donation in Joan's Memory to Mercy House or the BC Humane Society. Arrangements made by AEGIS

CREMATION & FUNERAL SERVICES, 196 Clinton St. Binghamton, New York.

[Source: Press & Sun-Bulletin](#)

2019 Standard Mileage Rate

January 3, 2019

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The IRS standard mileage rate to be reimbursed effective 1/1/19 will be increased to \$.58 per mile.