



November 9, 2009

NOTICES AND UPDATES

FLU CLINIC - CANCELLED

As many of you know from Sara Sawyer's e-mail last week the flu clinic that was scheduled for Thursday has been cancelled because of the shortage of the vaccine. Anyone who was going to attend the flu clinic is encouraged to contact alternative sources to obtain this vaccine. These sources include, your Individual Health Care Provider, Retail Pharmacies or Public Health Clinics. The flu clinic may be rescheduled in January if more of the vaccine becomes available but it is not guaranteed. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you.

Submitted by Alicia Cutting.

ALL-COLLEGE MEETING FRIDAY

The next All-College Meeting will be held this **Friday, November 13th at 12:10pm**. Updates will include the Capital Budget and the Critical Maintenance Budget plans.

Submitted by Alicia Cutting.

SECURITY SCHEDULE 11/9-11/13

November 9

Jeff—am
Maintenance—pm

November 10

Jeff—am
Maintenance—pm

November 11

Holiday

November 12

Maintenance—am & pm

November 13

Maintenance—am & pm

Submitted by Jeff Nyhan.

COMINGS & GOINGS

RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

It has become official, Al Little has announced that he will be retiring at the end of this academic year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BANNER DOWN FOR SCHEDULED UPGRADE!!

Banner and SIS is **unavailable until Thursday, November 12** for an upgrade. Banner and SIS will be available at 8 am on Friday, November 13.

Submitted by Evelyn Perron.

SPRING 2010 REGISTRATION

Spring 2010 schedules are available on the SIS and the college website. Spring 2010 registration began on Monday, November 2 for currently enrolled students (web registration will be available). **Open enrollment begins on Tuesday, November 17.** Attached are the fliers regarding spring registration and the timelines for withdrawals and payment. Please share the information with your students.

Submitted by Evelyn Perron.

IT'S TURKEY TIME AGAIN! MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 11:30-1:30.

MCC's Traditional Thanksgiving Feast is this week and we need your help to get the word out to students. We also need "pot luck items" to round out our menu offering so we are asking folks to bring in their own "family favorite dish" to share.

This college tradition, of coming together as a community to enjoy a Thanksgiving style dinner, began years ago through the ESL Dept. It was created as a way to share with those who may never have experienced a traditional Thanksgiving meal. Since then, it has taken many "shapes and forms" over the years---with Anthe Day, Mary Marks, and others taking lead roles to keep the tradition alive.

This year the MCC Campus Activity Board is providing funding for the event, and will be contracting with Tidewater to cater the basics (turkey, stuffing, potatoes, gravy, pie, corn and paper products). Participants are asked to bring a non-perishable food items or financial donation for the NH Food Bank.

Anthe Day and Mary Marks will be coordinating the pot luck portion of the feast. We need side dishes, veggies, bread/rolls, salads, and desserts. The signup sheet is in the Faculty/Staff lounge with a list of items needed for Thursday of this week to round out our Feast. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Please help us to continue this wonderful tradition!

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

HOLIDAY MAGAZINE GIFT LIST

Ebsco Information Services is the Library's journal and magazine subscription service. Every year during the Holiday season they offer some magazines at a discounted rate for the staff and faculty at the College. Instructions on how to order the magazines, and the list of the magazines available at the discounted prices are attached. If you have any other question please contact me by email or ext. 212.

Submitted by Vandana Dhakar.

NSNA AND THE MANCHESTER MARATHON

We worked the water station number 13 the half way stop and the finish line, both very important stations to support. We had to arrive at 7am, 9am and 12 noon. All 28 of us were so excited by the events and it was an honor to help. Many famous people were in the race Boston marathon winner, one doing the 52 week marathon this year for charity and some completing all 50 states for a marathon. Over 1500 runners participated from over many states and several countries. The proceeds went to the Mental Health of Manchester. Our College, Manchester Community College was there and 22 of our student Nurses and 6 of our Exercises Science students were a very viable presence.

Submitted by Lyn Micklovich.

THE REVIEW HAS RETURNED TO MCC

It has been a few decades, over four to be specific, but The Review is back to give the student body much needed information on current events happening at MCC and in the surrounding area. This is a paper written by the students of MCC. Check out our first issue at <http://www.thereviewatmcc.com>.

Submitted by Corey Szepan.

WEATHERIZATION COMBUSIN SCIENCE TRAINING

The Workforce Development Center obtained a grant to provide training to the New Hampshire Community Action Program's Weatherization program. The center will train energy auditors to safely access heating systems in homes and is working with college faculty and consultants to develop and deliver the training. The training will take place during the winter break.

Submitted by Kathy DesRoches.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE UPDATES

The following items were presented at Thursday's Curriculum Committee:

Liberal Arts:

New Course – ESCI1XX – Introduction to Environmental Science; 3-3-4; prerequisite: high school biology with a "C" or better and placement into ENGL110

ENGL213 – change course description and objectives

Construction Technologies/Computer Aided Drafting:

New Course – CADXXX – CAD I Fundamentals; 2-6-4; no prerequisite; 100 level; approved, pending revisions

New Course – CADYYY – CAD II Intermediate; 2-6-4; prerequisite: CADXXX; 100 level; approved, pending revisions

New Course – CADZZZ – CAD III Advanced; 200 level; 2-6-4; prerequisite: CADYYY; approved, pending revisions

New Certificate – CAD Certificate – approved, pending course revisions above

Education

EDU210 – change prerequisite from EDU104 to permission of instructor; change objectives; approved

Computer Science

CIS221 - change prerequisite from CIS110 to CIS110 with a C or better, catalog description, and objectives. Course cannot be used by CS majors toward graduation requirements; approved

CIS231 - change prerequisites from CIS110 to CIS110 with a C or better and placement into MATH 131, change hours from 2-2-3 to 3-3-4, change catalog description, and objectives

New Course – CIS1XX – Supplemental Microsoft Applications; 2-2-3; prerequisite: CIS110 with a minimum grade of "C" or permission of instructor. Tabled pending name change and revisions.

New Certificate: Microsoft Applications Certificate; tabled pending course revisions above

Submitted by Joan Acorace.

OCT. '09 TEST GRADES, MOST STUDENTS APPRECIATE THE GRADE CENTER

Online Test Feedback in Blackboard

If you use online tests/quizzes, you may want students to be able to see the correct answers for their assessments. Since we may want to limit cheating as much as possible, we may not want students to see those correct answers immediately upon submission. But there is another way.

After all students have completed the test/quiz, you can go back into the test options and allow the correct answer to be shown.

Then, students simply go to Tools...click into their grades and click on the letter or numeric grade they received for that assessment. They will be able to see their submission along with the correct answers.

Gradecenter

Remember, there is quite a bit of information about the new Gradecenter at the Manchester Faculty Blackboard site-- especially under the Version 8 button.

If you are having any problems with gradecenter, please give me a holler... perhaps I can help.

If you would like to use Gradecenter for this semester-- for your face to face classes- I will be glad to show you how to set it up.

Most students use this feature! And, it certainly saves you trying to track down missing work or answer the lovely "So.. how am I doing?" question.

Submitted by Jean Cloutre.

DELEGATION OF STUDENT LEADERS TO ATTEND REGIONAL NACA CONFERENCE

MCC is proud to be sending a delegation of seven students and one club advisor to the Northeast Regional Conference of NACA (National Association of Campus Activities), Nov 12-15 in Hartford CT. They will join student leaders from across the region to network, attend workshops, view showcases and participate in the marketplace (an expo of booths related to activity programming).

Our MCC delegation is a mixture of “seasoned” programmers, and “emerging” leaders. Each student delegate submitted a written application, completed an interview, and demonstrated involvement in our MCC Campus Activity Board this fall. MCC delegates are Caitlin Chauvette (CAB Chair); Tara Shea (Publicity Chair), Danielle Gauthier, Wandy Santos, Jim Terrero, Alex Lamontagne, Kristy Ramos (CAB Members), and Mark McGrath (CAB Advisor).

This year’s CAB (which consists of these students and numerous others) has been responsible for many events this semester, including movie nights, Lunchtime Lounge (coffee houses), game nights, magician Justin Kredible, ghost hunter Chris Moon, Monday Night Football night, and the Traditional Thanksgiving Feast. They also were instrumental in planning and staffing MCC Welcome Weeks and Stress Busters each semester. The conference group plans to bring back ideas and tools from the NACA Conference to develop exciting spring activities for the college community.

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

NOTES FROM THE CENTER FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

1. Making Connections: A number of sections of the revised College Success Seminar have been completed. One of the purposes of the course revision has been to assure that students and their academic advisors establish an ongoing and meaningful interaction. To that end, students from the CSS courses have written letters to their academic advisors. These letters and supporting documents are being distributed to advisors starting this week. We ask advisors to use the information provided by the students as one component of their advising effort. You may also want to ask your advisees to show you the Success Portfolio they created as part of the course. The Portfolio documents what the student learned about themselves as students, the expectations of college, and the numerous resources available to help them succeed. The Portfolios are now in the CTL and are ready to be picked up by students. We hope that you and your advisees find this material helpful. As always, your comments are welcome and helpful. Send your thoughts to jacorace@ccsnh.edu or dfliint@ccsnh.edu.

2. The CTL Blackboard course site has been updated and all faculty who are teaching this semester have been enrolled in the course. The site includes links to numerous resources regarding teaching and learning, an entire online course on college teaching called “Getting Results”, podcasts and handouts from several workshops offered by the CTL, and other information. The site is updated regularly to assure that the links are working and that information is as current as possible. The course should be included in your list of courses on Blackboard. If it isn’t there, or if you have difficulty accessing it, let us know at dfliint@ccsnh.edu.

3. The “Article of the Month” for November is actually the complete **Teaching Professor** newsletter for November. This edition includes several brief and helpful articles regarding class discussion, insights about grading and how many exams to administer, effective use of Power Point, and others. Stop by the CTL to review a copy of the newsletter.

Submitted by Dave Flint.

MCC GAME NIGHT THIS TUESDAY, NOV. 10TH AT 7PM, LOUNGE AREA

Bring Your Own Game---or use what we have---Board Games, Video Games, Card Games. Try our New Wii. Tuesday night class??? Stop by during their break. FREE and sponsored by CAB (Campus Activity Board).

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

LUNCH TIME LOUNGE IS BACK!

Did you enjoy Howard Jennings in October? Don’t miss this free acoustic performance by this month’s select performer, Jeff LeBlanc. Thursday, Nov 19th, noon, Café, free and sponsored by MCC’s CAB (Campus Activity Board).

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

SAM’S CLUB – STUDENT PROMOTIONAL

A representative from Sam’s Club will be on campus, Nov 19th, Thursday, from 11:30-1:30 offering students a free gift card if they choose to join.

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

LOOKING AHEAD - - DECEMBER STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Sneak Preview of December’s student activities:

Scholastic Book Fair, Dec 1-5, culminating in a Children's Literacy Fair on Sat Dec 5th, sponsored by AmeriCorps/Community Service volunteers

Blue Jupiter, A Capella group, noon, cafeteria, sponsored by CAB

Movie Night, The Watchmen, pm, student lounge, sponsored by CAB

Stress Busters, stress relief fair, TBA, sponsored by CAB

More to come!

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

MCC STUDENT SENATE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER SUMMARY

In addition to recruiting Senate Representatives, electing officers and orienting members, the MCC Student Senate responded to a variety of club proposals and undertook several activities and initiatives during September and October.

- They providing funding support for the ASB Medical Mission Team – match for their service trip, Phi Beta Lambda (college level FBLA) – funds for competition prep manuals, the Exercise Science Club – match for student workshop registration, ASRAE (HVAC club) – funds toward student/professional workshop registrations.
- Senate also funded several initiatives: Trio Book Voucher program, Manchester Transit Authorities U-Pass program – allows free bus service for MCC students with ID, and approved funding for staff to re-open the MCC Fitness Center, and a Student Leadership Challenge Day for student leaders.
- In addition, they actively participated in Welcome Week, Club Officer Orientation, and New Student Orientation.
- President Ron Rioux met with Senate Officers on Oct 16th. Several topics were discussed, with a healthy exchange of ideas and concerns. Senate appreciated President Rioux' interest in the "student voice", and they left being asked to provide him input on the student interest in a new Student Union/Wellness Center. Student Senate Representatives reported an extremely positive response from their classmates toward the possibility of a Student Union/Wellness Center on the MCC campus in the future.

Remaining Fall Semester Senate Meetings: Nov 19 and Dec 13, 12:30, HSCI 131. Please encourage your students to join Senate and have a voice in their college community! It is not too late for them to join.

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

THANKSGIVING PIES AND COOKIES

Tidewater Catering Group is baking up a storm; order your 10" holiday pies & cookies now!

Dutch Apple Crumb Pie \$12

Apple Cranberry Pie \$12

Banana Cream Pie \$12

Blueberry Pie \$12

Chocolate Cream Pie \$12

Peach Pie \$12

Pumpkin Pie \$12

Southern Pecan Pie \$12

Strawberry Rhubarb Pie \$12

Assorted Traditional Italian Cookies (2½ pound box) \$18

Please place your orders in the Cafe by November 19th for pick up November 24th or 25th.

ON-GOING REMINDERS

MCC STUDENTS "STEP UP" TO CREATE A MEDICAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION MISSION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC THIS JANUARY

For the past several years, MCC has sent a team of students /faculty to serve the people of Dominican Republic through the organization Orphanage Outreach during spring break. This past year the returning students/advisors came back with a vision to do the same volunteer work, but during winter break. To make this happen, they needed to locate volunteer

physicians and other medical professionals to join them. After much outreach, the team has located the needed medical staff to set up the clinic!

Twenty five MCC students, representing a variety of majors, will be assisting with a medical clinic and providing health education in a rural area near Monti Cristi DR. Currently all of the students are raising their portion of the funds needed to travel, and will soon be seeking donations of supplies to bring with them.

Many thanks to trip advisors: Jill Reid, Lyn Micklovich and Jessica Price for assisting the students with the extra step of locating medical professionals, and serving as liaisons with Orphanage Outreach for this rewarding project.

Submitted by Aileen Clay.

REFUGEE SCHOLAR INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Before she left, Cathy Heffernan arranged through a Perkins grant to establish 4 one-time only scholarships of \$567.00 specifically for refugees enrolled at MCC in one of the Perkins eligible programs. Check the link on our website: <http://www.manchestercommunitycollege.edu/forms/refugeescholarshippacket.pdf> to access the application. The deadline for students to get the application to me is December 1st. Please pass this information on to eligible students or refer them to me for further information.

Submitted by Ann Friedman.

INTRODUCING SPONSOR A SCHOLAR

Should a lack of \$75 stand in the way of access to more than \$36 million in transfer scholarships, including a \$7,000 *automatic* scholarship to SNHU, or up to \$5000 at Northeastern?

That's apparently the choice many of our students are forced to make when they're invited to join MCC's Phi Theta Kappa chapter, according to MCC's PTK officers at their recent board meeting. The \$75 represents the one-time costs of the national and local PTK dues, and the cost of the sashes presented at the induction ceremony and worn at graduation. From that discussion at board meeting grew a new program: **Sponsor a Scholar**.

The **Sponsor a Scholar** program seeks donations to cover the \$75 PTK investment for eligible students who need help. After an informal presentation to the college advisory board on Friday, we've got 16 students covered (and expect that number to grow); now we're hoping the college community can help!

At this point we don't know how many students will need help covering the \$75; letters inviting students to join PTK will go out this week, so Aileen Clay, who advises PTK, will have a count in a couple of weeks. The Fall Induction Ceremony is planned for early November. Scholar Sponsors will be invited to attend the induction ceremony.

To learn more about the benefits available to PTK members, click on <http://www.ptk.org/members/benefits.htm>

If you'd like to **Sponsor a Scholar**, the donation form is attached; you can bring it, and your check made out to MCC PTK, to Aileen in MAIN 205.

Submitted by Jan Phelps

STAR OF THE MONTH

Remember to nominate a staff or faculty member "caught being a star" for the months of August, September and October. We will draw the winner at the next All-College meeting in November.

Submitted by the Staff Committee.

TO SUBMIT NEWS FOR MMM

News for next week's MMM should be submitted to Alicia Cutting (acutting@ccsnh.edu) by noon on Friday.

Please use the updated MMM form to submit entries. You can find it in the Forms Drive in the Forms-Miscellaneous folder.