

# March Institute gives a glimpse of what is behind the scenes at MVCC

There are a lot of behind-the-scenes efforts to make MVCC a success story. As part of the March Institute, which will be held on Monday, March 14, our co-workers will be hosting workshops to explain and demonstrate how everyone at the College benefits from these services. Signups are now open at www.mvcc.edu/march-institute.

George Aylesworth will be holding two workshops on "Hazard Communication and Blood Borne Pathogens." These interactive workshops will share basic "how to" procedures for safely identifying and handling hazardous materials, as well as explaining who to call for help with their safe removal. The blood borne pathogens segment will deal with practicing universal safety precautions on a college campus. In order for this information to be made available to all shifts, Aylesworth will be holding the first workshop from 5:30-6:30 a.m. and the second from 9:30-10:45 a.m.

Also at 9:30 a.m., Kelly McNamara will be hosting a workshop on "CPR Certification" which will certify participants in Adult, Child and AED CPR training. It will take place in two parts and participants must sign up for both sessions to be certified. The second session will be held from 1-2:15 p.m.

Joe Palmer and John Bullis will host a workshop titled "Everything You Wanted to Know About Peace Officers - But Were Afraid to Ask" at 9:30 a.m. Chief Palmer and Bullis, members of the College's Safety Committee, and one of the new MVCC Campus Peace Officers will provide an overview of the implementation of the community college campus peace officer program. This presentation will include a brief history and review of supporting legislation, discussion of the structure of the program being implemented at MVCC, and an overview of Peace Officer responsibilities, obligations, and authority.

Norma Chrisman will give a sneak peak preview of Office 2010 and demonstrate some of the innovative features the new software will offer in her 9:30 presentation.

The keynote speaker, Dr. Renée Downey Hart, will give her presentation titled "Espresso and Herbal Tea: Finding Human Moments in the Age of e" at 11 a.m. in the Theater. In this humorous and interactive session, Dr. Hart will explores our age of speed and hustle, and invite the audience to question their own engagement as they do business, redefine leisure and cultivate friendships on computers, pods, and phones.

Downey's presentation will be followed by a free, casual lunch in the IT Lobby.

The afternoon sessions include Janet Swinnich's "The Power of Strengths," about how the most engaged workers and students succeed. Also at 1 p.m. will be Jim Lynch's discussion on "Administrators learn to avoid death by meetings!" He'll discuss how to maximize a meeting effectiveness using web based collaboration tools for agendas, preliminary discussions, document sharing and collaboration.

Maimun Khan will present "Should I Do Something About that Person? Identifying and Addressing Concerns," from 1-2:15 p.m. In this workshop, participants will learn what to do when red-flag behaviors catch their attention. Visit the Web site to sign up.



### Peace Officer discussions to start in March

With the January appointment of four Peace Officers, Mohawk Valley Community College joined the 93 percent of public colleges nationwide who have sworn officers protecting their campuses. Peace Officers differ from Campus Security Officers in many ways.

These include expanded training and capabilities to affect arrests, make traffic stops, conduct searches, physically restrain suspects, and carry different equipment including firearms.

Peace Officers may carry firearms if so authorized by the Board of Trustees. MVCC's Peace Officers do not carry firearms; the college and Trustees will use this Spring semester to decide whether they should.

There are many factors being considered including the experiences of other campuses, current crime and safety trends on MVCC's campuses, and MVCC students' and employees' comfort level with armed, trained college employees on patrol.

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## Dinners with Distinction to evoke Dinosaur Barbecue Mar. 2

The Hospitality / Management Programs are now accepting reservations for their March 2 "Dinners with Distinction." The theme will be Dinosaur Barbecue.

The dinners are designed to give the College's students a creative outlet for their classroom work. The themes, menus, recipes and food production are the endeavors of the Banquet and Catering class, Dining Room Service class, and the Baking class. They will be creating food to delight the palate and an ambiance to soothe the spirits.

There is still available seating for the for March 2 event. For more information, call 334-7702. Seating begins at 6 p.m. and reservations are required.

### **MVCC EVENTS**

#### Tuesday, February 22

1:00 pm - Lecture (DGV): "Psychology of Humor and Second-Order Change," with Dr. Brian J. Mistler, IT 225

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Second-Order Change," with Dr. Brian J. Mistler, Festine Aud Wednesday, February 23

10:00 am - Team MVCC Heart Run/Walk Fundraiser, PC Atrium

10:00 am - Heart Run/Walk Kick-off, MV Commons

4:00 pm - Program Board, ACC 212

4:00 pm - Heart Run/Walk Public Registration, IT Lobby

7:00 pm - MVCC Ice Hockey vs. Hudson Valley CC, Utica Aud

Thursday, February 24

2:00 pm - Lecture (DGV): "Picasso" w/Matt Palcyznski, IT 225

3:00 pm - Student Activities, ACC 212

8:00 pm - Play: "The House of Yes," Theater

#### Friday, February 25

8:00 pm - Play: "The House of Yes," Theater

#### Saturday, February 26

8:00 pm - Play: "The House of Yes," Theater

CORRECTION: A recent article contained incomplete information on Peace Officer Christopher Katz. In addition to his role with MVCC, Katz is a peace officer with the Onondaga County Auxiliary Police Department. His experience includes the Delaware Valley College Public Safety Department and a role as Assistant Director of Public Safety at a Philadelphia-area shopping center. Katz has also served as Site Supervisor of Security Operations at the Barnes Foundation's Galleries and Arboretum. Katz is a graduate of SUNY Cortland.



# 2011 NJCAA Region III, Division III Women's Basketball Championship Tournament



Hosted by Tompkins-Cortland Community College, Dryden, NY

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	Winner of No. 8 & 9		
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	No. 7 SUNY Delhi		

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