

Cambridge College Community News Blast (10/23/08)

Dear Colleagues:

Here is the latest installment of the Cambridge College Community News Blast. This email blast will be sent out every other week, documenting the people, programs and events of the College. Please inform me of your news by 5 p.m. on **Monday, November 10th** in order to be considered for the next installment.

Thank you and enjoy!

Cambridge College News

- The College cordially invites faculty, staff and employees to attend the Cambridge College Annual Assembly on Friday, October 24th from 3-5 p.m. in Room 152, 1000 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge. For employees at remote locations, access to the meeting will be offered through WebEx. Log-in information will be sent prior to the meeting.

School of Education

- Dr. Dan W. Butin, Assistant Dean in the School of Education, has just published an article—“Saving the University on His Own Time: Stanley Fish, Service-Learning, and Knowledge Legitimation in the Academy”—in the *Michigan Journal of Community Service Learning*.
- Dr. Butin will be chairing a panel at the International Research Conference on Service-Learning and Community Engagement on October 25th in New Orleans, LA. The panel will focus on issues of civic and community engagement and consists of Dr. Butin, Rick Battistoni, professor of political science at Providence College, and Elizabeth Hollander, senior scholar at Tufts University and the past-president of Campus Compact.
- Dr. Sandra D. Bridwell, Professor and Founding Faculty of the Cambridge College Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership, has been invited to serve on the Education and Training Evaluation Team for the Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government 2009 Innovations in American Government Awards.
- Dr. Fernando Padro has been invited to speak at the Third International Congress on Quality hosted by the American Society for Quality and the Universidad Tecnológica de León in Mexico on November 14th. His presentation is entitled “Estableciendo un Ambiente de Calidad en Universidades,” (translation: Establishing a Culture of Quality in Universities).
- On October 3rd, doctoral candidate April Howell (Cohort 2) successfully defended her dissertation, entitled “Cultural Self-Efficacy and Leadership: Adolescent African American Male Perspectives Through Digital Diaries.” The dissertation committee was chaired by Dr. Sandra Bridwell, founding faculty in the Ed.D. Program.

Undergraduate Program

- At a young age Getrude Matshe learned to follow her dreams no matter what it took. “All you need to do is dream, and to dream big,” she said her father told her. “Everything you want can become a reality.” On Wednesday, October 8th the AIDS advocate, author and entrepreneur shared her inspiring story of success with a crowd of nearly 100 Cambridge College students and guests on Wednesday, October 8th at the College. This event was part of the Strategies for Success class in the Cambridge College undergraduate program.

"I am here to tell you how people can change the world," said Matshe, who is trying to create change through her book, Born on the Continent, and her Africa Alive Education Foundation. A native of Zimbabwe, Matshe is trying to raise funds to support 17 million children, an entire generation of AIDS orphaned children, born in Africa. "Poverty is a mindset. It becomes a way of thinking when you are stuck in it generation after generation. The cycle will not break until people learn what it means. Education unlocks minds—it is the only way," she added. Matshe knows the value of education firsthand; her mother believed that a good education would help her children escape poverty. Matshe and her four siblings are all college graduates. Matshe and her colleagues are trying to break the cycle of poverty in Zimbabwe by teaching the natives how to help themselves. "When you teach people to help themselves, it gives them back their dignity," she said. And according to Matshe, salvation isn't impossible. "It's not going to take much; just a few people to step up in each community."



Getrude Matshe and Cambridge College Professor Barbara Reid show off one of Matshe's hand painted blankets.

School of Psychology and Counseling (SOPC)

- Maida Tilchen, the College's librarian and researcher, will visit the SOPC faculty meeting on November 5th. Ms. Tilchen will assist the faculty in their efforts to teach the students research skills and help them to find materials and content which they can use in their classroom lessons.
- SOPC held a series of fall workshops on October 18th. Many of the workshops were offered by Core Faculty members who bring vast experience and knowledge to their work. Workshop titles included: Suicide Assessment; Mental Status Exam; Group Therapy with Schizophrenic Patients; Better Understanding Clients' Artwork – Insights from Gestalt, Existential and Humanistic Psychology; Substance Abuse Across the Lifespan; HIV and AIDS Information & Counseling; Better Understanding Clients' Artwork – Insights from Psychoanalytic and Jungian psychology; Problem Gambling; Large Scale Debriefing—Suicide Intervention; Art Therapy laboratory: Using the Arts to Better Understand Ourselves as Counselors and Teachers; Spirituality and Counseling (1 of 2); Stress Management; and Finger-paint in Counseling Practice.

Chesapeake, VA Regional Center

- Cambridge College successfully launched its business education series, *Business Intelligence for Busy Professionals*, on August 28th. The topic for the first series was "How to Market Yourself in Today's Economy Part I," which was attended by 22 individuals from the business community. The

panel, which featured Francina Harrison, The Career Engineer; Arnel Tanyag, Sr. Facilitator of Drescher & Tanyag Professional Consultancy; and Jill Watkins, CEO for Write on Target Communications, talked about their expertise and the lessons they learned in marketing their businesses. This business education series is a monthly lunch, learn and networking event aimed at branding Cambridge College in the Hampton Roads business community. Each month, the event will feature successful and professional Hampton Roads business experts as panelists. The panelists will discuss relevant business issues that are in line with the Cambridge College Chesapeake Regional Center management programs.



Chesapeake Regional Center Admissions Counselor Leah Sechong (second from right) and the panel.

Inland Empire Regional Center in Ontario, CA

- The Inland Empire Regional Center in Ontario is hosting a Fall Fiesta on November 8th for all current students and alumni. The Center is asking students to bring friends and family who might be interested in completing a Bachelor's Degree or earning a Master's Degree. The event will feature food, fun and prizes.

Development Office

- On Thursday, September 18th Judy Groleau, James Lee and Farah Ravanbakhsh attended State Street's Annual Black Professionals Group Fourth Annual Evening of Recognition. Massachusetts First Lady, and 2008 Cambridge College Commencement speaker, Diane Patrick was the keynote speaker and WHDH-TV reporter Byron Barnett served as the evening's emcee. Year Up /Cambridge College student Rashawn Facey-Castillo recited a poem at the event. The College was one of two educational organizations invited to the event, as State Street values the College's mission and diversity. Cambridge College and State Street are working on an educational partnership which will help State Street employees combine professional development with an academic component and receive college credit for their professional development. State Street would like to increase diversity among its employees.
- On Tuesday, September 23rd several members of the College were on hand to listen to Chris Gardner, author of the *New York Times* bestseller and movie of the same name, *The Pursuit of Happyness*. Gardner served as the keynote speaker at One Family's Back to School Breakfast and shared his inspiring life story of survival on the streets with his son after the two found

themselves homeless. "How do you become homeless working on Wall Street with a baby tied to your back?" asked Gardner, who founded the brokerage firm Gardner Rich in 1987. He explained that the cause is something more lethal than drugs: "Life happens," he said. Gardner pledged \$10,000 (which was also matched by a guest in the audience) in support of One Family, Inc., an organization dedicated to breaking the cycle of family homelessness across the state of Massachusetts. The event served as an opportunity to honor the work of the Massachusetts Commission to End Homelessness. Antionette Henry Hughes (B.A., '06), a Cambridge College graduate and One Family Fellow, kicked off the morning with a moving speech about her experience in the One Family organization.



Cambridge College and Jenzabar employees pose with Chris Gardner (top row, third from right).

Medical Interpreter Training Program (MITP)

- On October 14th, pharmacists from Japan visited Cambridge College to learn about the MITP. The purpose was for these pharmacists to observe what aspects of the program might be adapted to help Japanese patients receive full disclosure about their medications when language barriers are present. The visitors toured the College, shared areas of concern regarding interpreting services, and left with some new ideas for helping reduce disparities in dispensing medications.
- MITP alumna Anita Coehlo Diabate made a significant contribution to the International Medical Interpreters Association annual conference on October 11th at the Hyatt Hotel in Cambridge. Since her graduation from the MITP, Anita has assumed a leadership role in the field of medical interpreting, most recently delivering a presentation on the subject of telephone interpreting. According to Anita, employing modern telephonic technologies will be an increasingly important component of the interpreting process. Anita also presided over the first session designed to organize medical providers as part of the medical interpreting team.

Cambridge College Alumni

- Aaron Bradbury (BA, '06), a Lynn, MA firefighter and father of five adopted children, was recently featured in the *Lynn Daily Item*. Bradbury's wife, Stacy, who taught Immigration Law at Cambridge College, and their neighbors, threw a goodbye block party for Aaron before he left to fulfill his

duties with the National Guard's Taunton-based 772nd Military Police Company. To view the article, please click [here](#).

Information Technology (IT) Department

- In order for the College to be more environmentally conscience and fiscally responsible, the IT Department is starting a green initiative. The College is asking the community to take as much advantage as possible of the technology and limit the use of paper. The Department has noticed that reports, meeting minutes, and sometimes even emails are needlessly printed. The IT Department would like to encourage all staff, faculty and administration to make full use of e-mail and other technologies in order to limit the use of paper. If everyone does their part, this initiative will save the college over 100,000 sheets of paper and thousands of dollars per year. We must all do our part to be more ecologically friendly: **Think before you print.**

Cambridge College Academic Technology

- Would you like to receive a weekly email with news of academic technology at Cambridge College; academic technology demonstrations at other local colleges; and useful online events and websites about innovative academic technology? Would you like to voice your needs to IT and the College Senate about academic technology at Cambridge College? Would you like to recommend policies? If so, please join the College Senate Academic Technology Committee. You will receive weekly emails, monthly minutes, and you are welcome to attend meetings the last Tuesday of every month from 2-4 pm, starting October 28. To join or just to make a suggestion on academic technology, send an email to maida.tilchen@cambridgecollege.edu.

Cambridge College Online Library

- The College would like to remind you that the Cambridge College Online Library is packed with scholarly articles and full-text books in all subject areas. The Online Library is free and open 24/7 for all registered students and current employees. For more information, please visit: <http://www.cambridgecollege.edu/library/index.cfm>.
- Until November 13th only, Cambridge College employees and student can try two trial databases in the Cambridge College Online Library. Click "New! Reference Books (Trial)" to search hundreds of reference books on topics in all subject areas. In the EBSCOHost database, check "EconLit with Full-Text" to search 480 journals in economics and finance.

CAYL Institute at Cambridge College (Community Advocates for Young Learners)

- Cambridge College Chancellor/Founder Eileen Brown will speak at a special Legislative Briefing on November 12th at the State House, convened by the CAYL Institute at Cambridge College. The Briefing will review the recommendations in the newly-released paper [Role, Relevance, Reinvention: Higher Education in the Field of Early Care and Education](#). To download the complete paper, go to www.cayl.org.
- The CAYL Institute at Cambridge College invites the community to their National Principals Conference for elementary school Principals serving children age three to third grade. For more information and to register, go to <http://www.cayl.org/?q=PrincipalConference2009>.

Human Resources and Administration News

- Cambridge College and the Prevention & Wellness Center at Blue Cross Blue Shield will once again be providing flu shots for employees this season. The 3rd annual Flu Shot Clinic will take

place on Thursday, November 6th from 3-5 p.m. in Room 152, 1000 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge. To determine the amount of vaccine doses to order, the Human Resources Department requests that anyone who would like a flu shot should reply to Trudy Reddicks no later than Tuesday, October 28th.

**To report your department or school news, events, and happenings, please contact Kimberly Dunbar at x1228 or Kimberly.Dunbar@cambridgecollege.edu **