

Cambridge College Community News Blast (3/7/07)

Dear Colleagues:

Here is the latest installment of the Cambridge College Community News Blast. Due to the continued positive response, 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 **11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 20th** in order to be considered for the next installment.

Thank you and enjoy!

Office of the President and Office of College Affairs

- The New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., (NEASC) recently completed a successful evaluation team visit to the College. The purpose of this NEASC team visit was to review and evaluate the implementation of the Ed.D. degree program, to review and evaluate the College's new instructional location in South Boston, Virginia., and to review and assess the College's capacity for geographic and programmatic growth while ensuring academic quality. To learn more, please refer to the attached document.

Cambridge College Commencement

- The *Nation* Newspaper in Barbados published an article ("Three Bajans gain their degrees") on February 23rd about the Cambridge College Commencement ceremony in Savannah, Georgia. The article focused on the three graduates from Barbados who are employed by the Ministry of Education in Barbados. Idamay Denny, the Deputy Chief Education Officer of the Ministry of Education, earned her Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies (CAGS) and delivered one of the graduate reflections at the Commencement ceremonies. Sylvia Henry, a Senior Education Officer for the Ministry of Education, was awarded her CAGS. Lemuel Jordan, the Chief Audiovisual Aids Officer at the Ministry of Education, also received his Master's of Education in Internet Technology. Ms. Henry and Ms. Denny have been accepted into the Cambridge College Doctor of Education degree program this summer.

School of Management

- Dr. Nish Sonwalkar, VP for the Center for Adaptive Learning Programs (CALP) at Cambridge College and Associate Dean in the School of Management, will be presenting at the 18th International Conference on College Teaching and Learning in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida on April 2nd- 5th. Dr. Sonwalkar will present "Adaptive Individualization: The Next Generation of Online Learning," which addresses the issues that need careful consideration for the successful and smooth transition to adaptive learning systems and the framework termed as the learning cube.

School of Education

- Dr. Dan W. Butin, Assistant Professor in the Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership, will be presenting an invited response paper, "Character Education and the Philosophy of Blame," at the Philosophy of Education Society national conference in Atlanta, Georgia on March 18th. Dr. Butin's presentation will be subsequently published as an essay in the

- forthcoming Philosophy of Education Yearbook. Dr. Butin also published an entry titled "Civic Engagement" in the Praeger Encyclopedia of the American High School (2007, Greenwood Publishing). Dr. Butin also recently served on the selection committee of the North Carolina Campus Compact's 2007 Robert Sigmon Service-Learning Award. Finally, Dr. Butin was recently interviewed by *Maclean's* magazine, a weekly Canadian news magazine, for an article on community service-learning in higher education.
- Dr. David Lyons, science faculty in the School of Education, has been elected by the National Science Education Leadership Association (NSELA) to represent District A, which encompasses all of New England. NSELA is an organization whose members have a strong interest in advances in a broad array of topics including student learning, safety, curriculum, technology, professional development, assessment, inquiry, and science education reform.
 - John Papadonis, Program Coordinator for the General Science Licensure Program, announced that graduates from the science programs at Cambridge College have 100% employment in their field.
 - Dr. Frideh Oboodiat, a faculty member in the School of Education and undergraduate programs, presented a workshop on her "Cone Model of Positive Peace Education with Application for Establishment of Peace at Grass Root Level, Through the Dynamism of Cyberspace, at a Global Scale." This presentation was part of the Beyond Diversity Symposium at Whittier College in Los Angeles, California on February 15-18th.

Schools of Psychology and Counseling

- In February 2007, the School of Psychology and Counseling (SOPC) opened a new "Center for Addiction Rehabilitation Studies" (CARS). This center includes the current programs for the M.Ed. in addictions studies and a new Certificate Program offering students educational experience toward credentials in Alcohol and Drug Counseling. This unique and flexible program can be fitted to the individual needs of the students. Students who enter this program can also earn credits toward their Master's Degree, an opportunity to earn credit that may be applied to a Baccalaureate Degree, or a Certificate in Alcohol and Drug counseling that can lead to credentialing as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor. The Coordinator of CARS is Senior Faculty Professor Leroy Kelly.
- In September 2006, Dr. Niti Seth was appointed Dean of SOPC. Dr. Seth previously served as the Director of the SOPC for three years. She earned a Master's (1985) and a Doctoral degree (1988) in counseling and consulting psychology from Harvard University. A licensed psychologist in Massachusetts, she joined Cambridge College in 1988.

Development & Alumni Affairs

The Office of Development & Alumni Affairs is actively working to set up new alumni groups in Cambridge and at our Regional Center.

- The Cambridge Alumni Advisory Committee will meet on March 15th from 5:30pm-7:00pm to discuss future alumni events. The focus will be on how to recruit and reach more Cambridge and Greater Boston area alumni and reconnect them to the College. The Cambridge alumni chapter will plan a reunion event around the Cambridge Commencement scheduled for June 10th.
- The Cambridge College Savannah Alumni Advisory Committee will hold a conference call on March 15th from 7:15pm-8:30pm. The purpose of the conference call will be to formally

- organize the Savannah alumni chapter and set up meeting dates to recruit more alumni chapter members.
- The Cambridge College Springfield Alumni Advisory Committee will hold its first meeting on March 16th from 5:30pm-7:00pm at the Springfield site. The committee members will brainstorm ideas on how to get Springfield Site alumni more involved in Cambridge College.

Institute for Lifelong Learning and Community Building

- Dr. Jorge Cardoso has been invited to speak at the XI International Congress of Family Education at Coimbra University in Portugal. The conference will be held from April 11-13th and Dr. Cardoso will be discussing the work of the Institute for Responsive Education at Cambridge College.

Lawrence Regional Center

- The Cambridge College Lawrence Regional Center is growing! The Center has expanded its lease at 60 Island Street. The College has increased its current quarters from 10,500 square feet to more than 24,000. The *Lawrence Eagle-Tribune* reported the story in an article "Cambridge College doubles its lease space on Island Street," on February 22nd.
- On March 9th Lazarus House Ministries, with Director Bridget Shaheen and Cambridge College instructor and coordinator of the "Ladder to Language" program Sandy Blanes, will graduate the first cohort of ESL students after eight weeks of "English in 24 Hours." This work training program at the Lazarus House in Lawrence takes unemployed and underemployed adult English Language Learners and gives them a chance not only to learn English and to improve their employability skills but to earn their first job. After the first four weeks of ESL training the students begin part-time job training. After eight weeks of ESL training, the participants work full time and are encouraged to continue their studies in the "Ladder to Language" program at the Cambridge College Lawrence Regional Center.

Ontario Regional Center

- Cambridge College Founder and Chancellor Eileen Moran Brown visited the Ontario Regional Center Saturday February 24th. During her visit Chancellor Brown spent time with students, answered questions, and gave a brief history of Cambridge College. She took several pictures with students and was interviewed by the *Daily Bulletin* for an education article. Ontario Regional Center Assistant Director Greg White said that the students were ecstatic and impressed with the Chancellor's visit.

Student Academic Support Services

- Molly Leong, Coordinator of the College's Career Service Center, is organizing a job fair for Cambridge College students on April 26, in rooms 306 and 307. In addition to area employers, Ms. Leong will invite alumni who have expressed an interest both as participants of the job fair and as employers.

Elizabeth J. McCormack Professor of Humanities

- John Bremer, Elizabeth J. McCormack Professor of Humanities, has been invited to read a paper at the Round Table Conference on Diversity at Lincoln College, Oxford, England on

March 25-30th. The title of his paper is "A Philosophical Basis for Diversity" and will be printed in the Proceedings of the Conference. While in Oxford, Dr. Bremer will meet with doctoral students who are writing dissertations on his discoveries of the mathematical/harmonical structure of the Platonic dialogues. Dr. Bremer will also give a historical seminar in Bideford, Devon on the last battle of the local hero. Sir Richard Grenville, whose single ship, the *Revenge*, fought an armada of 53 enemy ships near the Azores in August 1591. The paper is available in-house on request.

Cambridge College Employee Federation

- Tina Johnson, from the Financial Aid Office, Cheryl Dellosa, from the Accounts Payable Office, and Colleen Perenick, an Administrative Assistant at the Springfield Regional Center, were featured in the March 2007 issue of *The Advocate* ("The Cambridge College Employees Federation").

Office of Human Resources

- The Office of Human Resources would like to announce several hires at Cambridge College:
 - Jeri Clay- Admissions Counselor for the Enrollment Department at the Chesapeake Regional Center.
 - Ralph Covino- Director of IT and Computer Security in the School of Management.
 - Linda Luke- Administrative Manager at the Augusta Regional Center.
 - Katerina Navratil- Admissions Counselor for the Enrollment Department in Cambridge.
 - Jacky Wong- Data & Application Specialist in the Student Records & Data Management Department in Cambridge.
 - Pamela Walker - Director of Financial Aid in the Financial Aid Department in Cambridge.
 - April Capostagno - Staff Assistant for the Student Records & Data Management Department in Cambridge.
 - Eder Pires- Information Systems Support Assistant in the IT Department in Cambridge.
 - Tenzin Jampa- Information Systems Support Assistant in the IT Department in Cambridge.
 - Julie Cimino- Financial Aid Administrator in the Financial Aid Department in Cambridge.

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