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Monday Report

## Campus News

### Wellness Center Presents Mental Health Event

On **Wednesday, April 16**, in **TEC-128**, from **9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** the **Bergen Community College Wellness Center**, in collaboration with the **Bergen County Mental Health Board**, the **NJ Governor's Council on Mental Health Stigma** and the **Bergen County Mental Health Task Force of CHIP** is sponsoring another mental health initiative. The program, **Mental Health Awareness: S.O.S (STAMP OUT STIGMA)** welcomes participation from Bergen faculty, students, and staff, and Bergen County residents. Please join us as we provide an interactive program with professionals in the mental health field. The program will begin with an informative film produced by **NAMI** (National Alliance on Mental Illness), followed by a **Panel Discussion** of distinguished guests. Once again **"REFLECTIONS"** a theater group run by the Bergen County Division of Family Guidance, will present improvised scenes on a variety of mental health issues. The room will be open for table sharing with many Bergen County mental health professionals. Each provider will be requested to provide an informational sheet that the attendees can take home for future reference.

For more information, please contact Professor Kathy Pignatelli, Bergen Community College Wellness Center Director, at [kpignatelli@bergen.edu](mailto:kpignatelli@bergen.edu), or by calling (201) 493-3536.

### Women's History Month Events

**Brown Bag Lunch & Book Series – Monday, March 17, at 12:30 p.m. in Room A-241.** Vanda Bozicevic will lead a discussion of Clarice Lispector's short story "Love", a tale with interesting philosophical i.e. existentialist – connotations.

**Tuesday, March 18 – Pink & Red Day.** Call attention to the two most critical health issues facing women today: breast cancer and heart disease by dressing in red and/or pink.

**Tuesday, March 18, at 12:30 p.m. in TEC-128 - WHM Luncheon.** The event is only open to the members of the College. Tickets are \$6 for reserved seating, and are available in Room A-315.

**Thursday, March 20, at 11:00 a.m. in the Ciccone Theatre – Literary Arts Series Speaker:** Jumpha Lahiri. Her debut story collection explores issues of love and identity among immigrants and cultural transplants.

**The Decibelles on Sunday, March 30, at 3:00 p.m. in the Ciccone Theatre.** The Decibelles are four fab gals who sing a cappella in tight and luscious harmony. Don't miss the fun! Tickets: \$12; \$10 for students and seniors (65+); \$8 for all of Bergen Community College.

### CIT Workshops

CIT is offering the following workshops. Please register online at [www.bergen.edu/cit](http://www.bergen.edu/cit). Click on **WORKSHOPS & TRAINING**.

Outlook Tips & Tricks	Monday, March 17, 1:45-2:45 p.m.
SMART Classroom Training in W323	Tuesday, March 18, 1:45-2:15 p.m.

## Around Campus



### Transfer Evening

On **Wednesday, March 19**, in the **Student Center**, from **5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**, students will have the opportunity to speak with representatives from local New Jersey and New York Colleges. The list of participating colleges is available in the Counseling Center, Room A-118.



### Art Lecture

NURTUREart is pleased to present a lecture by Suzaan Boettger, Arts & Communications Department, in the context of the gallery's current exhibition, *Enantiomorphic Chamber* on **Saturday, March 22**, at **4:00 p.m.**, located at 910 Grand Street, Brooklyn, NY. The lecture is titled: "Behind the Enantiomorph: A Biographical Key to Robert Smithson's References to Doubling and to Death."

Boettger is a scholar of earthworks and of Robert Smithson. She will discuss the particular circumstances of Smithson's birth and family structure - a type of situation well-known in psychoanalytic literature and similarly experienced by Vincent van Gogh, Gertrude Stein, Salvador Dalí, Cary Grant and Princess Diana. She will also speak about the revelatory force in understanding particular themes in Smithson's painting, earthworks, nonfiction prose, and poetry.

The event is free and open to all. For directions, or additional questions, please contact: [gallery@nurtureart.org](mailto:gallery@nurtureart.org), or call (718) 782-7755.

### 4th Annual George Stickel Festival of Moving Images

The Arts and Communications Department will be presenting the 4th Annual George Stickel Festival of Moving Images on **Monday, April 14**, at **3:00 p.m.** in **A-104**.

For more information, please contact Prof. Marshall D. Katzman, by email: [mkatzman@bergen.edu](mailto:mkatzman@bergen.edu). A complete listing of last year's entries as well as an entry form for the 2008 festival are available on line at: <http://www.bergen.edu/faculty/mkatzman/George.html>.

### Bergen Debate Club Update

Although the Bergen Debate Club has competed successfully in the Public Forum Debate League since October 2002, it has been 2 1/2 years since anyone has claimed a 1st place trophy at a league tournament...that is until now! Michelle Idler, of Teaneck, competing in her first tournament for Bergen, made it through 18 debaters to reach the finals of the Rockland CC tournament held March 9th in Suffern, NY. Although Michelle fell short in the final round, taking 2nd place, she debated so well in the first three rounds that she was awarded 1st Place for overall Speaker Points! She becomes the 10th Bergen debater over the past 5 1/2 years to claim a 1st place trophy!

Other students also performed very well in the Rockland Tournament including Club Officers Christopher Viso, of Lodi, Laura Villa, of Hackensack, Anita Pejic, of Kearny, and first time competitors Vishal Kahhadai and Dan Nachum.

The Debate Club will again compete at Rockland, on March 30th, before coming home April 13th to host the 3rd annual Ann Cunningham Memorial Debate Tournament.

## Faculty Accomplishments/Highlights

Lynn Schott, Electronic Resources Librarian, and Mark Thompson, Assistant Director of Patron Information Services, recently had an article published in the journal, Serials Librarian: International Journal of Continuing Print & Electronic Resources. Their article, "Marketing to Community College Users," (volume 53: number 3; pages 57-76) profiles the work they did to analyze usage of Bergen's electronic journal databases. It also details how they conducted usability studies, re-designed the Library's Web site; and the final tracking assessments they conducted that demonstrated the effort's successful impact on library utilization.

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Joseph Todd, Enrollment Specialist, recently had a paper titled: **In Search of the Multitude: Critical Media Literacy for Insurgency** accepted by AERA (American Educational Research Association). The conference is running from March 24-28, in New York City. He will be participating as part of a panel titled, **"Education and the Multitude: Community, Democracy, and Activism against Empire."** The presentation will be on Friday, March 28, 2008, from 8:15-10:15 a.m.

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The children of the Child Development Center (CDC) were featured in the April 2008 issue of "Clifford the Big Red Dog" magazine. This magazine is published by Scholastic and is geared towards early childhood educators and their young students. The article, "My Class Raised Butterflies" shows photographs of the CDC children engaged in their Monarch butterfly rearing project.

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## Monday Report Submissions

Please submit your news and accomplishments to Kim Meekins, of Vice President Porter's Office, via email at: [kmeekins@bergen.edu](mailto:kmeekins@bergen.edu).

When forwarding information, regarding an upcoming event, please make sure that you have included all information, i.e. time, location and contact person.

For timely appearance of your announcements, all submissions must be received by **1:00 p.m. Thursday** for Monday publication.