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What's News



In memory of an accomplished ACSM-trained pianist who returned to his alma mater as a piano technician extraordinaire and consultant on any issue involving a keyboard, Room 277 in the Music Building is now known as the Andrew Saderman Keyboard Room. From left: Ed Smaldone (ACSM), Nadia and Alec Hall (Andy's sister and nephew), and Lydia Saderman (Andy's mother) joined President Félix V. Matos Rodríguez, Provost Elizabeth Hendrey, and others at the naming ceremony on Monday, November 5.



People from all walks of life came to the Student Union Ballroom on the evening of Wednesday, November 7, for the Susheel Kirpalani Innovation Exchange, an annual event sponsored by the Center for Ethnic, Racial, and Religious Understanding. Panelists and workshops addressed the #MeToo Movement and sexual assault.



In partnership with Dance/NYC and the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs, the Kupferberg Center for the Arts hosted the Immigrants Dance Arts Conference on Thursday, November 8. President Felix V. Matos Rodriguez welcomed Immigrant Affairs Commissioner Bitta Mostofi (third from left) and panelists to the all-day event, which highlighted the work of artists from many of the city's ethnic communities.



Nationally, Veterans Day was observed yesterday. But QC marked the occasion on Friday, November 9, with a noontime luncheon in the Student Union's firstfloor Faculty & Staff Club. Council Member Rory Lancman—a QC alum who served in New York's 42nd Infantry Division—was the host; his honorary cohosts were Congresswoman Grace Meng, Senator Toby Ann Stavisky, Assemblywoman Nily Rozic, and Assemblyman Daniel Rosenthal, all of whom were re-elected on November 6. QC Veteran Support Services, TD Bank, and MetroPlus Health Plan sponsored the event, seen in the photos above. "We salute, honor, and thank our veterans for defending our country," said President Felix V. Matos Rodriguez.



The challenge of marketing to Millennials—aka Generation Y, people who grew up with the Internet—was the subject of last Friday's Business Forum Breakfast, which featured a panel of six experts. From left: Alan Wurtzel, former president of research and media development for NBCUniversal; Susan Goldberg, founder and CEO of Susan Goldberg Leadership Consulting; Bob Broussard, president of distribution for AMC Networks; Asaf Davidov, head of ad sales research at Hulu; QC's Mara Einstein and Douglas Rushkoff, both from Media Studies.

Psychologist Eva Fogelman, a pioneer in the development of counseling methods for Holocaust survivors and their families, gave the keynote and clergy from three faiths—Father Patrick Griffin, from the Vincentian Center for Church and Society; Dr. Ali Mermer, Muslim chaplain of Queens College; and Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin, from the Israel Center for Conservative Judaism in Hillcrest—offered invocations at QC's annual Kristallnacht Commemoration on Sunday, November 11, in Goldstein Theatre. The event, sponsored by Sinai Chapels of Fresh Meadows and the Resnick family, which owns and operates the funeral home, featured a moving ceremony in which Holocaust survivors and the descendants of Holocaust survivors lit a candelabra loaned by a local synagogue.

Diversity Conference

Yesterday, President Félix V. Matos Rodríguez gave opening remarks at *Understanding Diverse and Inclusive Communities,* QC's third annual conference on inclusion and diversity, funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Premilla Nadasen, a history professor at Barnard College who formerly taught at QC, gave the keynote. The two-day conference, taking place in the Student Union, concludes today.



Acclaimed Speaker to Highlight Major Opportunities in STEM for Members of Minorities

Biomedical scientist and former White

House advisor Knatokie Ford will talk about diversity and inclusion in careers related to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics—the STEM fields—tomorrow at 12:15 pm in Rosenthal Library, Room 230. Women, minorities, and people with disabilities have been historically underrepresented in these sectors. But rising demand for employees with STEM backgrounds adds up to increased opportunity for everyone. Ford, a Harvard-trained scientist and founder of the education and media consulting organization Fly Sci[™] Enterprise, will describe her own journey in an inspiring presentation sponsored by the Office of the Provost, Women and Gender Studies Program, and the Division of Education.



CUNY-Revature Partnership Triumphs and Sets Off a New SPARK

Since 2016, CUNY and the tech talent developer Revature have been working together to give the university's students hands-on experience with the latest and most in-demand



technologies. After being hired and trained by Revature, more than 100 CUNY graduates who majored or minored in STEM subjects have begun careers at Fortune 500 companies and large system integrators as software engineers, developers, and analysts.

QC, which serves more undergraduate computer majors than any other college in New York City, was the first CUNY campus to host Revature. About half of the CUNY alums who entered the company's program did so at the college's Tech Incubator, and more than third of those participants were QC graduates. "The success rate of these alumni is deeply gratifying," says President Felix V. Matos Rodriguez. "Nearly all are employed in both the private and public sectors nationwide."

Now the CUNY-Revature partnership is launching SPARK Online, a free, fourweek introductory coding course open to all CUNY graduates, regardless of major. After completing the four weeks, participants are ready to be hired and attend 10 to 12 weeks of in-person training. The next online session begins on November 27; the deadline to apply is November 17. https://revature.com/spark/

Winter Sports Season Warms Up

The leaves are falling around the Quad, and with the change in weather comes a new athletic season at QC as well. The basketball and women's swimming teams got under way last weekend, with the indoor track team to follow soon. Here's a preview of what to expect from each team this season:

Women's Basketball

The Knights will look to make the postseason for the seventh year in a row and should be in a good position to do so with a number of key players returning, including All-East Coast Conference (ECC) selection and Pre-season All-American honorable mention Beth Bonin. The junior guard averaged 16 points per game (ppg) last year.



The Knights kicked off the season this past weekend, defeating Chestnut Hill on Saturday, before falling to Jefferson on Sunday. Their next game will be at home versus Bentley on November 17 at 3 pm.

Men's Basketball

The men's squad features a young team with just one senior on the roster. Returners Tyrese Crosdale (9.5 ppg), Elijah Bovell (8.2 ppg), and Dwayne Henry, Jr. (6.9 ppg), should all be major contributors this season. The team just missed a playoff berth a year ago, but could make a run at a postseason spot this year, despite the team's youth.

The Knights faced some tough opponents in the opening weekend and dropped their first two games to Adelphi and Pace on Saturday and Sunday. QC will be on the road for the early part of the season, playing its first nine games away from the FitzGerald Gymnasium. The team will host its home opener on December 8 vs. LIU-Post.

Women's Swimming

The women's swim team should have a strong season after returning four swimmers from last year, which broke school records. Jennifer Arana-Perez '19 contributed to five of those new school records, including the 100-butterfly. The Knights placed second among Division II schools at last year's Metropolitan Swimming and Diving Conference Championships and could make a run at the title this year with so many strong swimmers back in the pool. The team opened the season on November 8, splitting a double dual meet at home with Baruch and Adelphi. The Knights knocked off Baruch College, 49-46, but lost to Adelphi, 65-30. Their only other home meet this season will be November 19 vs. Hunter College.

Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field

The indoor track and field team won't get started until December 8, but the team has already begun preparation for the upcoming season. The Knights were strong in field events last season, and they should have an improved group of runners to balance out the squad this year as they hope to place at East Coast Conference Championships.

Clivensky Etienne (distance events) and Diana Cruz (middle distance), are names to look out for on the track. Sophomore Andrew Saulpaugh won the hammer throw at last year's ECC Outdoor Championship and will look to build on a great freshman season.

You can get updates on each team or watch live video of select games by visiting www.queensknights.com



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Jump into January with Winter Courses

Registration is under way now for students wishing to enroll in QC's winter session. Winter courses are a great way to accelerate the progress of your degree and help meet the requirements for "QC in 4" or the Excelsior Scholarship; it can also help to launch your career earlier and save thousands of dollars in tuition!

More than 70 undergraduate and 30 graduate courses—including online and hybrid options—are being offered in a variety of disciplines. Students can browse offerings and register online now through January 2 on CUNYFirst. Winter session courses are also available to visiting students who are not enrolled at Queens College.

For more information, please contact the undergraduate admissions office at 718-997-5600, the graduate admissions office at 718-997-5200, or visit the Winter Session page on our website.

Students with an entrepreneurial spirit should also check out CUNY's I-Corps Short Course, which allows CUNY STEM researchers and student entrepreneurs to learn from potential customers. Participants will gain realworld, hands-on immersive experience in finding customers and understanding their problems in order to achieve a product/market fit. The course begins on January 8 and runs through January 23. Applications are open until December 3. More information is available here.

Of course, it isn't too early to make plans for the summer. Now, for the first time, QC students may register for spring courses and summer courses simultaneously. In fact, the college is offering the earliest summer 2019 registration in the tristate area. For details, click here.

Vietnam Internship

Every summer, QC offers juniors, seniors, and graduate students the opportunity to intern in a six-week program that teaches English to children in Vietnam. The first information session will be held this Friday at 12:15 pm in Frese Hall; go to www.career.qc.cuny.edu on HireQC to register for this session and learn more about the internship.



Alums Share Their Knowledge

Professionals on Campus, a series sponsored by the Office of Institutional Advancement, brings some of the college's most accomplished graduates back to QC for informal talks with students. Recent events have featured John Kastanis '72, president and CEO of University Hospital and, just yesterday, Michael



Minikes '65, managing director and vice chairman of prime finance at J.P. Morgan. This afternoon, a real estate panel at Campbell Dome from 3:10 pm to 4:25 pm will include Mark Rose '85, chairman and CEO of Avison Young; Raymond Edwards '84, vice president of Kimco Realty Corporation; and Frederick Peters '79, president of Warburg Realty. Next Monday, Anat Gourji '96, senior vice president of technology governance and COO at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, will be featured in a Women in Leadership program in Kiely 170, from 9:30 am to 10:30 am.





Michael Minikes

John Kastanis

Klapper Hall Showcases Works from Shenyang School

The Outsider, on display in Klapper Hall through Friday, November 16, offers an inside look at the creations of faculty and students from the LuXun Academy of Fine Art in Shenyang, China. The show includes sculpture, painting, prints, and media pieces, and ranges from representational art to abstract works. With a piece that identifies panda bears as sages and another that comments, perhaps, on binary code, the exhibition has a sly humor accessible to all.

Heard Around Campus



Jeff Beeler (Psychology) was among the sports medicine and human performance experts making presentations at the annual Hilliard Discussion, held on Friday, November 2, at Texas A&M's Annenberg Presidential Conference Center . . . *The Candidates,* a documentary about the mock presidential election Townsend Harris High School staged in 2016, was screened at the IFC Center on the afternoon of Saturday, November 10, and will be shown again today at 3 pm. Election simulation activities are regular components of the QC-Townsend Harris collaboration QC's chapter of the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) celebrated its 45th anniversary yesterday at the Student Union Faculty and Staff Club; Jay Hershenson (Office of Communications and Marketing), a principal founder of the statewide student organization, discussed the role QC students played in establishing NYPIRG and its accomplishments of the past five decades.

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