

CCAC Boyce Campus News

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Generous Food Pantry Support!

The Boyce Campus Food Pantry has been an enormous source of support for Boyce Campus students since its inception in 2016. Many students rely heavily on the weekly food distribution for basic food necessities. Recently the Boyce Campus Social Committee made a \$700 donation and the Boyce Campus Faculty and Senior Secretaries made a \$130 donation to the Food Pantry shelves. With the significant donations, the Food Pantry will be able to supply food items to eligible students for several months to come!

Please continue to donate food items and paper products to the Food Pantry, as you are able. Later this semester, a competition food drive will be held between the various departments on the campus. Watch your emails for details for this friendly competition benefiting the food pantry!

Campus News from Dr. Gretchen Mullin-Sawicki

I HAVE A DREAM
Essay Contest

We are excited to host an essay contest inspired by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy and his impact on society. In 1963, King delivered one of the most inspiring speeches at the March on Washington as he fought for equal rights and justice. The Office of Diversity and Inclusion at Boyce Campus offers our students the opportunity to participate in this essay competition to honor King's legacy.

Essay Contest Details:

- Every essay should start with "I have a dream..." From that point, it is up to the student to express his or her dream in **400-600 words**
 - and include one paragraph where the student should describe the impact of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. or what his legacy means
- The essay submission should be submitted as an attachment and sent to Gilbert Cardenas at gcardenas@ccac.edu no later than March 08, 2019. All documents should include the student's first and last name, chosen field of study, contact info and title your email "I Have a Dream Essay Contest".
- All essays will be reviewed and winners will be selected to receive a gift card to our Campus Bookstore: **1st place** (\$25 gift card), **2nd place** (\$15 gift card), and **3rd place** (\$10 gift card).

Submission due date: March 08, 2019
Send to gcardenas@ccac.edu

Black History Month Celebrations

Along with the essay writing contest above, Boyce Campus will celebrate Black History Month by a showing of the movie, *Black Panther*, where 90% of the cast is either African or African American, a refreshing change to standard Hollywood movies. This will be held on Monday, February 25 at 12 noon in the auditorium lobby. Additionally, the Women on a Mission and Men of Merit student leadership groups will be hosting a Lunch and Learn fireside chat on February 28th at noon. All are invited to attend both events. Please encourage students to enter the essay contest.

Enrollment and Retention Update

This Spring semester, CCAC was able to increase the number of new students attending our college by 4.31%; however, our returning students declined 5.42% with an overall college enrollment declined by 3.9%. We all need to work on retention efforts both inside and outside of the classroom from our customer service and kindness to students; going the extra step to share about our free supports such as tutoring, counseling and career services to recognizing the great efforts our students experience working and often attending college. Remember, 69% of our students at Boyce are part-time students, which means that they are likely also working students.

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Occupational Therapy Students Rock!

Occupational Therapy Assistant Students helped the aging population under the direction of faculty member and OTA Program Director, Lillian Briola, OTD, OTR/L this semester by developing an exercise program and delivering fun food options to the residents at Concordia of Franklin Park. Residents made fruit sushi with OTA students and by the end of the program, as you can see, there were some chopstick professionals! Concordia of Franklin Park is a personal care community where residents enjoy a full schedule of activities. It was a wonderful clinical experience for our students to meet the residents and to have some fun, too!

Scholarship Recipient!

Jeanine Bedner, a first year student in the Physical Therapist Assistant Program was chosen as one of the Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association (PPTA) scholarship recipients to attend the Federal Advocacy Forum in Washington, DC, March 31-April 2. Jeanine was the only PTA student selected from the 17 PTA Programs in the Commonwealth and we are incredibly proud of her achievement! Jeanine is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) and holds the position of secretary for the Student Physical Therapy Association Class of 2020. Jeanine is a member of PPTA ConnectPA! Her personal initiative, leadership, community service and professional contributions are exemplary.



Woodland Hills High School Partners in College-in-the-High School

Woodland Hills High school is embarking on a Transfer Academy program for their first ever college-in-the-high school experience with CCAC Boyce. The first two courses scheduled for Fall 2019 are English Composition 1 and Introduction to Psychology. The Woodland Hills High school has been working with the Boyce Campus for over a year in preparation

for the introduction of this new, exciting partnership. We look forward to continuing to work with them!

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