Dean Clark’s Message:

Some important activities took place here since our last newsletter in the summer. One of the most significant was the celebration of Bristol Community College’s 10-year anniversary as a stand-alone campus presence in Attleboro. Our commitment to Greater Attleboro was in full demonstration during our celebration activities in late-September. Our celebration featured a number of special and relevant lectures. The occasion culminated with a variety of community presentations and three showings of the international Manhattan Short Film Festival. President Sbrega, other leaders from the College, community partners and local politicians, all contributed to the success of our celebration. (See page two for some photos.)
In addition, as we wind down the current Fall 2014 semester, we’ve already begun the advising and registration process for the fast-approaching Spring 2015 semester; our spring classes will begin on January 21, 2015. Both returning students and new students will start at this time. Despite the below freezing temperatures at that time of year, we’re always excited by our ability to help move students forward in accomplishing their educational goals. Our students take full advantage of the opportunities to meet with an academic advisor seven days per week here at the Attleboro Campus. We’re proud of the fact that students can further their education at this location by taking classes days or evenings or weekends or some combination of these. As you’ve seen in some of promotions, “You get it” at BCC.

Please peruse the following pages. You’ll get a glimpse of what’s taken place here recently, but you’ll also get a sense of what we’re planning for the upcoming semester.
Over 250 people visited BCC Attleboro during the week of September 22 – September 27 to celebrate BCC’s Attleboro Campus ten-year anniversary. BCC/Attleboro planned special community-based activities in culmination with our Second Annual International Manhattan Short Film Festival Celebration. Events included “Civil Liberties: Then and Now”, a panel discussion on civil liberties surrounding the internment campus of Japanese Americans during WWII. The panel discussion featured President Sbrega, a BCC Trustee, along with other experts. The Attleboro Public Library’s 1ABC/Big Read committee and the Attleboro Area Bar Association led the efforts to organize the “Power of Film” a presentation given by BCC Professor Chrisanne Souza and Professor Ric Rebelo along with recent BCC graduate and current BSU student Raeshelle Cook. “The Citizen’s Guide to Astronomy” a mini lecture presented by Professor Michael Marks and “The Healthcare System Needs YOU on Its team” led by Professor Kelli Hiller.
September 6, 2014 – BCC
Attleboro Celebrate
Attleboro’s 100th Birthday
by participating in the
Attleboro Parade.

October 6, 2014 - Two Teachers/Two Testimonies: Lessons from a Decade of Teaching the Holocaust, presented by BCC’s Ron Weisberger and Prof. Howard Tinberg.

October 8, 2014 - Invitation to dialog: Why are some students successful and others drop-out?

October 14, 2014 – Child Abuse Education and Awareness presentation by Michelle Loranger, Executive Director, The Children’s Advocacy Center of Bristol County and Detective Sergeant Arthur Brillon, Attleboro Police Department.

October 16, 2014 – Rite Aid Flu Clinic

October 27, 2014 – Rhode Island Blood Bone Marrow Drive, organized by Prof. Kelli Hiller.

October 28, 2014 – BCC’s Civic Engagement Program at Attleboro, in partnership with the American Red Cross, coordinated and hosted a blood drive. Eight students from Prof. Rebecca Clark’s SER 101 class, Introduction to Human Services, served as volunteers- recruiting donors, gathering donations from local businesses (Subway on Pleasant St.), and working during the blood drive to sign in donors, register walk-in donors, assist with the snack table, and assist the Red Cross staff and donors throughout the day. 36 people presented at the blood drive. 31 were able to donate and 2 were able to do the special double red-cell donation. A total of 33 units were donated, exceeding the Red Cross’ goal of 26 units. Each unit will be able to help three (3) people in need so over 90 people in need of blood were helped by the BCC Blood Drive.

November 5, 2014 – Sexual Awareness Day; R.A.D. Demonstration by Director of Campus Police, Wayne Wood, White Ribbon Campaign, EverFi Mandatory Student Training and Bystander Intervention Training.

Upcoming Events

Kick Off to College – January 15, 2015

Gain all the Essentials of How to Succeed in College!
Learn About: Who’s Who at the Campus, Tutoring, Writing Center, accessBCC, Parking Permits, Transferring, Work Study Job Opportunities, Disabilities, Coping with College, Bookstore and much more...

From Obstacle to Opportunity: A Panel Discussion with BCC Attleboro Students -- Monday, November 17, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM, BCC Attleboro campus auditorium. Approximately forty BCC students (including the five panelists) led a lively discussion, many of whom represent the rich, international culture of our college. Each shared personal stories - revealing obstacles they encountered and overcame - in their individual pursuits of education.

(This event was a co-sponsored presentation by the OneBook Committee and the Multicultural Committee.)


Save the date – BCC Attleboro Annual Transfer Fair scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2015 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Students will have the opportunity to meet with BCC faculty program chairs on transfer requirements as well as receiving catalogs, checking programs, meet with admissions and financial aid counselors from colleges and universities throughout New England. 9Inclement weather date March 4, 2015.)

STEM Event - BCC as a Southeastern Massachusetts STEM Network Partner has hosted for the past two years a STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) Workshop for neighboring BCC Attleboro communities middle school students. Due to the overwhelming response, the area middle schools in 2013 and 2014 filled the workshops to capacity. BCC Attleboro’s goal is to inspire middle school students to learn about all the great opportunities available in science and technology, and get them excited about pursuing further education in math and science-related fields. There is a growing recognition that increasing our science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) workforce is essential. We need to connect students to jobs of the future by reengaging them in these important fields. Stay tuned for details for 2015’s STEM workshops.

In addition BCC Attleboro is in the process of expanding its role in this field by offering similar workshops for areas high school females interested in the STEM fields. For more information on either one of these events contact Joe Yasaian, Director of Campus Services at BCC Attleboro.  joe.yasaian@bristolcc.edu.

EBOLA: Learn the Facts – Planned for January 2015 in BCC’s Attleboro Campus Auditorium. Health professionals and community leaders will form a multi-member panel and lead a discussion, communicate the facts, and disseminate information on Ebola to attendees. Our goal is to provide the community with a live forum to address any concerns or misconceptions regarding the disease, and give them the opportunity to ask questions. This event is free and open to the general public and BCC community.

(This event will be hosted by Bristol Community College/Attleboro and Attleboro Public Library.)

Tour ID: 1603108UP

Contact Joe Yasaian for more information:

508-226-2484 ext. 3534
Joe.Yasaian@bristolcc.edu

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**Itinerary**

Fly to Costa Rica: Pura Vida

Day 1: Fly to Costa Rica: Arrive in San Jose

Day 2: San Jose + Tortuguero:
  - Travel via Braulio Carrillo National Park
  - Travel by boat to Tortuguero:
  - Enjoy free time in Tortuguero Village

Day 3: Tortuguero: Take a boat ride through the Tortuguero Canals; Visit Tortuguero National Park

Day 4: Sarapiqui

Day 5: Arenal Region: Visit Hot Springs

Day 6: Arenal Region: Take a kayaking trip on Lake Arenal; Visit La Fortuna Waterfall

Day 7: Guanacaste: Visit Rincon de la Viega National Park; Travel to Guanacaste

Day 8: Guanacaste: Enjoy a FREE day on the beach

Day 9: Depart for Home

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Travelers under age of 30 $159 $2,467
Twin Room Supplement (Required) $ $Travelers age 30 and older $175 $2,707

(All pricing subject to change)
Spring Registration

Spring 2015 classes begin on January 21, 2015. Advising and registration is ongoing 7 days per week at BCC’s Attleboro campus. Call us at 508.226.2484 or email us at attleboro@bristolcc.edu for more details.

How can you connect?

Connect to a great future.

Don’t wait - you can do it this Spring at Bristol Community College.

Schedules that are flexible

- Day, evening, weekend, and online options – courses in Attleboro, Fall River, New Bedford, and Taunton
- Learn about BCC eHealthCareers at BCC/New Bedford – Hybrid onsite and online learning!

Costs that are affordable

- Financial aid is available

Connect to the people, programs, and potential of you and your world!

- More than 150 degree and certificate programs
- In-demand programs in healthcare, business, and engineering

Registration is going on now. Visit www.bristolcc.edu or email us at attleboro@bristolcc.edu.