

2010 Census Pep Rally to be Held at FM

The Montgomery County Census Complete County Committee's 2010 Census Pep Rally will be held on Friday, March 5, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Fulton-Montgomery Community College.

With 2010 Census questionnaires expected to begin arriving in the mail during mid-March, this event is to

highlight the importance of a complete count.

Special guest speakers will include Congressman Paul Tonko, Assemblyman George Amedore, Monica M. Arias, Co-Chair of the Capital Region Hispanic Complete Count Committee and Janice Young, U.S. Census Bureau Partnership Specialist.

The Montgomery County Complete Count Committee is assisting the U.S. Census Bureau in achieving a Complete Count. These efforts include public outreach and encouraging every Montgomery County resident to complete and return their 2010 Census Questionnaire.

The Questionnaire has only

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calities is allocated based on this confidential demographic information.

Census data is also used to determine election district boundaries. It is crucial that there be no undercounting in the 2010 Census. Every Montgomery County resident must be counted.

Please join us at the 2010 Census Pep Rally and learn what you can do to ensure a Complete Count.

For more information please contact the Complete Count Committee Project Manager, Randy Siver.

E-Tutoring for Online Students Starts this Semester

Fulton-Montgomery Community College has partnered with the Northeast Consortium of eTutoring to launch an online tutoring program

February marked the beginning of a new initiative taken on by FM to expand available support services for students to include online tutoring.

Now, in addition to its on-ground Peer Tutoring Programs currently available on-campus in the Evans Library & Learning Commons, FM students will have access to eTutoring, a web-based, online tutoring platform.

Online learning has become necessary for many students and preferable to others. It is an alternative education that offers convenience, flexibility, and financial benefits.

For many students, opting for more blended and web-based courses allows them to reduce the required contact hours and expenses associated with traveling to traditional lecture classrooms.

FM students will have access to eTutoring, a web-based, online tutoring platform.

Despite the course platform, meeting the rigors of college coursework while maintaining work and family commitments continues to be a challenge for many community college students.

With eTutoring, FM students have access to an additional learning community where they can access resources, online instruction, and guidance from trained eTutors to meet their individual learning goals.

The collaborative model of eTutoring was developed and implemented by the Connecticut Distance Learning Consortium (CDLC) in 1996. Today, eTutoring has 39 participating institutions from both two and four-year colleges across six states.

Each participating institution contributes peer and/or faculty tutors and each tutor must successfully complete training modules prior to commencing work as an eTutor.

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All interaction between tutors and students are archived by the CDLC and available to the program coordinators. The high level of transparency promotes quality and confidence for students and participating home institutions.

With eTutoring, FM students have access to tutorial support in mathematics (developmental courses up to Calculus), statistics, chemistry, biology, anatomy & physiology, accounting, writing, and research and information literacy.

However, students can also take advantage of a synchronous platform, where students can enter a live, one-on-one virtual meeting and share information via Adobe Connect whiteboard.

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The CDLC helpdesk provides students with technical support and on-campus support is also available via the Writing Center.

They also have the option to post an eQuestion, or submit a paper for review and receive suggestions for revision, generally within 48 hours.

Additionally, students can use the library of online resources and all of their written submissions are archived.

FM students can easily access eTutoring (www.etutoring.org) from any internet browser, or they can do so directly through their Angel course.

All Angel courses have an embedded link to eTutoring and a brief video on how to login and navigate eTutoring, located under (Institutional) Resources.

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Online learning is an integral part of today's college learner. By providing quality support services in multiple platforms, FM continues to meet its mission to provide quality education, enabling students to pursue their educational goals.

Ultimately, eTutoring offers FM students an alternative learning community where they can access comprehensive tutorial support and meet the demands of college coursework.

10 questions and should take no longer than 10 minutes to complete. Over \$400 billion in funding to states and lo-

New Housing For FM

FM is days away from filing for an \$11.3 million loan through the U.S. Department of Agricultural that will create new housing for campus.

The money will be used to purchase the privately owned Campus View Apartments and construct an additional 144 beds. The college manages Campus View for the private owners.

FM President Dustin Swanger said, "Our pre-application has been approved by the USDA. We plan to submit our full application on March 10. We have approval by the City of Johnstown to connect the new buildings to the water.

"We anticipate that Fulton County will also approve the

connection. We have to go before the Town of Johnstown Planning Board to present the project."

And, there needs to be a discussion about zoning with the from the Town of Johnstown Zoning Board.

The college is working with the Crossroads Incubator Corporation to construct the new dorms. These will be built in the current parking area at Campus View. The total number of units available to FM students will be 288 beds.

The new apartments will be owned and operated by the Fulmont College Association; it currently runs the bookstore and leases the cafeteria.

Has the Country's Drug Policies Failed?

Has the country's drug policies failed?

That's the topic of Peter Christ's presentation at 12:30 and 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, in the College Theater.

His appearance is being made possible by the college's criminal justice department.

Christ's messages are that the drug war can never be won and it is doing more harm to society than good, and our drug policy has failed and should be considered a national crisis.

He is a member of the international nonprofit educational organization Law Enforcement

Against Prohibition.

The group was created to give voice to current and former members of law enforcement who believe the war on drugs has failed.

LEAP supports alternative policies that they believe will lower the incidence of death, violence, crime, racial disparity and addiction, by ending drug prohibition, according to an organization statement.

Christ retired in 1989 as a police captain in law enforcement. More information is available at www.leap.com

FM Job Fair: Wednesday April 7, 2-5 p.m.

The Job Fair is scheduled for Wednesday, April 7, 2 to 5 p.m. It is open to all students and residents of Fulton and Montgomery counties.

Historically, there has been a great turnout at this event. FM holds the Job Fair every Spring. The co-sponsors include the Fulton County Chamber of Commerce, the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, and the FMS Workforce Solutions System.

"We expect 40-50 local employers to set up a table and recruit at the job fair. We invite hundreds of employers from the surrounding counties, also including Schenectady, Albany, Saratoga and Schoharie counties," according to spokesperson.

"We will be offering several workshops prior to the job fair open to students. These workshops will assist students with resume writing, interviewing skills, and job fair etiquette; what to wear, how to approach an employer and start a conversation," they continued.

These workshops will be held during common hour, flyers will be posted around campus for dates.

"I encourage every student to attend the Job Fair, even if they aren't currently looking for work or planning to graduate this semester."

"First, it's excellent experience and practice for the future. Job Fairs are a great way to meet with a lot of potential employers in one space and in one day. Second, it's similar to a practice interview," stated the spokesperson.

Normally when a person submits a resume or application for a job, they have to wait until the employer contacts them (if they contact them at all), to set up an interview.

"A job fair almost guarantees an interview, right there on the spot, maybe

Bring a polished resume with updated contact information...

only for a few minutes, but definitely enough time to make a good (or bad) first impression. Another perk to attending a Job Fair would be the possibility of future openings or even internships," she continued.

Several employers are interested in working with current students for paid or unpaid internships, for college credit. The contacts that can be made at a Job Fair can reward a student later down the road.

"A few small tips that I would recommend for students planning to attend the job fair," stated the spokeswoman.

"Dress appropriately - do not think this is NOT an interview, it is! First impression count! They will remember how you presented yourself and possibly make notes on your application/resume to remind them of your meeting," she said.

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"Do not wear anything offensive, use good judgment. Try to look the part (what do people at this company dress like, what type of dress would I wear if I were to get the job?) Keep in mind visible tattoos, piercings, over-the-top hair/makeup, perfume/cologne."

"Bring a polished resume with updated information. Nothing is more frustrating to an employer than having a good candidate on paper with a phone number that is out of order or doesn't have an answering machine or voicemail."

"Also be sure that the experience that would best benefit the employer is clearly outlined and noticeable at the top. There are various styles of resumes...Chronological (typical) isn't always the best option depending on your experience."

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Go it alone. Separate from your friends and family when attending a Job Fair, and do not bring your children. Employers need to see that you are

confident on your own and that you are serious about their company. "

"It may be tough to find a sitter but an employer may interpret the situation as a lack of childcare in place, and possibly a future issue if they were to hire you. Plan ahead."

"There are hundreds of online sites to assist students with preparing for a job fair. Start your research today and be sure to make yourself stand out come Job Fair day. Watch for workshop announcements on campus," she concluded.

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Study Abroad

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That means FM students can study in another country.

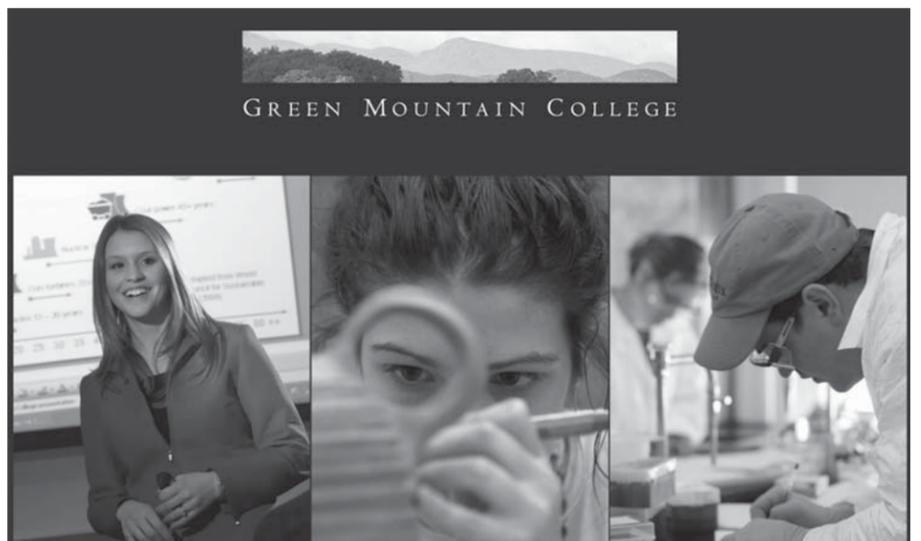
Students can enroll in short-term study abroad programs in winter or summer terms or they can enroll in semester or year long study abroad programs.

Also, often students do NOT need any previous language study. Over the years, FM has had students study

abroad. This opportunity is most often utilized by international students who want to study in a third country to enhance their employment marketability.

Students often don't realize that their financial aide can cover much of this expense and their college credits are reflected on their FM transcripts, too.

Interested students who might be interested in studying abroad, should contact Arlene Spencer, N-107 J, Student Development Center.



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SUNY to send students to Mexico

This year's "Triumvirate" or North American model legislature will be held in Queretaro, Mexico from May 30 to June 4.

Delegates comes from the U.S., Canada, and Mexico.

SUNY will send a delegation of eight students to represent the State University of New York System, with an accompanying professor.

This is an opportunity, especially for political science, pre-law and journalism students.

All SUNY undergraduate students other than Freshman eligible. Students will earn 1 credit for participation.

OBJECTIVES:

-To bring future Canadian, American and Mexican leaders together in order to experience and take part in an international negotiation exercise.

-To allow participants to familiarize themselves with the functioning of democratic institutions as well as North American political, economic, environmental and social realities.

-To develop the participants' sense of belonging to North America.

-To increase intercultural exchanges and promote the creation of academia networks.

-To inform the current decision makers of the priorities and concerns of North American youth.

For more information see The Triumvirate Website: <http://fina-nafi.org/eng/triumvirat10/lieu.asp?langue=eng&menu=triumvirat10>

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Mexico. Queretaro has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is located about 2.5 hours from Mexico City. For more information visit: <http://www.queretaro.travel/english>

Students should immediately apply at <https://ualbany.studioabroad.com/> The application deadline is March 15. Applications after the deadline will be considered but we can't guarantee placement.

Students should have sophomore status or above. Graduate students are eligible.

The cost of participation is estimated at \$900 for room, breakfast and lunches, tuition and fees. Students will need an additional approximately \$900 for transportation, dinners, and personal expenses.

Questions should be directed to Ms. Danielle Leonard in Study Abroad and Exchanges at UAlbany, dleonard@uamail.albany.edu.

Barto Lecture: What Your Voice Says About You

By: Kailie Gray

At the William M. Barto Memorial Lecture Series, speaker Gordon G. Gallup, PhD. discussed the topic of The Science of Sex Appeal: An Evolutionary Perspective.

He is a psychology professor from the University at Albany. Gallup explained that evolution is based on perpetuation of genes, which is driven by reproductive competition, not the common belief of "survival of the fittest."

Gallup discussed attractiveness and how it has evolved. He said that if someone has an attractive face, this implies that they are fertile.

This is the same for attractive bodies and attractive voices. If a woman has an attractive face, hour glass body,

large breasts, and an attractive voice this implies that she has a healthy reproductive system.

The same goes for a man who has an attractive face, wedge shaped body, and attractive voice.

He used the example of a study involving lap dancers and the amount of money in tips they received.

The study concluded that the dancers received \$335 while ovulating and \$185 during menstruation. This study supports the belief that attractiveness and fertility are one and the same.

Gallup provided the final thoughts that attractive people are evolved features of the nervous system and first impressions really do count.

Students of the World Club active last month

February was a busy month for members of the Students of the World Club.

The students attended a Chinese New Year Festival sponsored by the Chinese Community Center of the Capital District.

They also went bowling are planning several events for the rest of the semester, including a fundraiser to raise money for Haiti earthquake survivors. Club members will do manicures and nails for a small fee. Watch for posters in the next few weeks.

In addition, club members are looking forward to a day bus trip to Boston coming up after Spring break.

SGA plans meeting with all clubs

The SGA will meet with all clubs on March 18. In this meeting, every club will have a representative.

"We hope by bringing everyone together, this meeting can help encourage the clubs to work together, share upcoming events, ideas, and/or trips. There will also be free food and drinks to those who attend," a spokesperson said.

In addition, a member of the SGA would like to attend club meetings prior to March 18 and explain in person what SGA intend to accomplish.

FMCC March Events:

Friday, March 5:

Census 2010 Pep Rally, festivities will begin at 2:30 pm in our cafeteria!

Saturday, March 6:

FM Spring Open House begins at 9:00 a.m. in the theatre lobby.

Wednesday, March 10:

Transfer Fair; representatives from various colleges will be on hand to discuss transfer opportunities in the Classroom Building from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 10:

Prevention Council Give Away; information and Give-aways in the Classroom Bldg. Lobby from 5:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 10:

Movie Night; film club will host a movie in the theatre beginning at 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 11:

College Senate Meeting; Senate will meet at 12:30 p.m. in C110.

Friday, March 12:

PTK Induction Ceremony; begins at 7:00 p.m. in the theatre, light refreshments will be served.

Upcoming Local Events:

Friday, March 5:

Northern Lights @ 7:00 p.m., Kittie with special guests: God Forbid, Periphery, Contempt, and The Harrowing. Tickets: \$12 advance \$14 door.

Saturday, March 6:

Northern Lights @ 7:00 p.m., Jet with special guests: Crash Kings, and Owl. Tickets: \$16.

Sunday, March 7:

Northern Lights @ 6:30 p.m., Comedian Cranman with special guest: Alec Sobel. Benefit Show in memory of Nick Castle and Andrew Sennett. Tickets: \$10 door

Monday, March 8:

Northern Lights @ 7:00 p.m., Alkaline Trio with special guests: Cur-sive, and The Dear and Departed. Tickets: \$17 advance, \$20 door.

Tuesday, March 9:

Valentine's @ 8:00 p.m., The Tossers 18+ show with special guests: Outernational, and Honeycreeper. Tickets: \$12 door.

Tuesday, March 9:

SUNY Students For Haiti: A real relief effort (With Beer Of Course). Located at the Tess' Lark Tavern @ 9:00 p.m. Donations are welcome.

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Lady Raiders softball team looking toward season opener

By: Kailie Gray

The FMCC women's softball team's winter clinic is coming to an end shortly.

The clinic was put on in an effort to improve skills during the off season, such as pitching, hitting, catching, fielding, baserunning, and bunting. Special guest coaches were Ryan LaRowe and Doug King.

The women's softball regular season starts Tuesday, March 30, at Herkimer Community College.

Some probable returning players from last year are: Amy Hitchcock (infield), Kaitlyn Baker (infield), Megan Lowerre (outfield), JaeDee Lavada (pitcher), and Christine Cornell (infield).

The returning women attended high school at Fonda Fultonville, Northville, Mayfield and Union Springs.

Coach Doug King is returning for his third year as coach of the FMCC women's softball team along with assistant coaches Rob Gallt and Chris Frazier.

Raiders fall to third seed Mohawk Valley in Regionals

The FM Raiders basketball season came to an end last week at Jefferson County Community College.

The Raiders lost in their Region III quarterfinal to Mohawk Valley.

Published reports say the Raiders outscored Mohawk 33 to 28 in the

second half but couldn't make up Mohawk's 21point halftime lead.

The final score was 72-56.

Kairo Rochford was top Raider scorer with 17 points and seven rebounds. Darrell Barton came in with 16 points and two steals



Popeye's Failed Sexting Attempt

Lady Raiders Softball Schedule

March 30	Tuesday	Herkimer C.C.	3 pm.	Away
April 1	Thursday	Columbia-Greene	3 p.m.	Home
April 4	Sunday	Onondaga C.C.	1 p.m.	Away
April 5	Monday	Adirondack C.C.	4 p.m.	Home
April 8	Thursday	Broome C.C.	3 p.m.	Away
April 13	Tuesday	Mohawk Valley C.C.	3 p.m.	Home
April 17	Saturday	North Country C.C.	1 p.m.	Home
April 20	Tuesday	Clinton C.C.	3 p.m.	Home
April 22	Thursday	Schenectady C.C.	3 p.m.	Away
April 24	Saturday	Jefferson C.C.	1 p.m.	Home
April 25	Sunday	SUNY Delhi	1 p.m.	Home
April 27	Tuesday	Tompkins Cortland	3 p.m.	Home
April 29	Thursday	Hudson Valley C.C.	3 p.m.	Away
May 1	Saturday	Finger Lakes C.C.	1 p.m.	Away
May 2	Sunday	Corning C.C.	1 p.m.	Away
May 4	Tuesday	Sub-Regionals	TBA	TBA
May 7/8/9	Fri. Sat. Sun.	Regionals	TBA	TBA

Weight Room Hours for Spring

Monday: 12-1:00 p.m., 3-5 p.m., 6-8 p.m.	Thursday: 12:30-2 p.m., 4-8 p.m.
Tuesday: 12:30-2 p.m., 4-8 p.m.	Friday: 12-1 p.m., 3-8 p.m.
Wednesday: 12-1:00 p.m., 3-5 p.m., 7-8 p.m.	Saturday: 12-4 p.m.
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