Annual International Bazaar Finds Ways to Stay Fresh

The cuisine featured at this year’s International Bazaar was a very organized gastronomic tour through Asia, Africa, Europe, and the Americas. The first time presented dishes at the Bazaar enabled students to have a truly unique experience. Along with the food, the performances from student groups including MIMO, Royalty Steppers, and the Dance Troupe, were geared towards culture and diversity, and represented one or more countries. The highlight of the night as always was the fashion show, which this year was jam-packed with traditional attires, representing the 50+ nationalities featured at Manhattanville.

White House Initiative Chooses School of Education's CSI as Bright Spot in Hispanic Education

The School of Education’s Changing Suburbs Institute® (CSI) was selected as a Bright Spot in Hispanic Education by the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics. Bright Spots in Hispanic Education are programs, models, organizations, or initiatives that are involved in the ongoing efforts that are taking place across the country to support Latino educational attainment and excellence and help close the achievement gap. As a Bright Spot, CSI was invited to participate in an online public conference, via Google+ Hangout, on Family Engagement on February 17. The initiative was one of eight Bright Spot organizations (out of over 200) participating from across the U.S. The conference was held in Spanish and four members of the CSI’s Hispanic Parent Leadership Committee represented Manhattanville.

Center for Career Development Holds Largest Education Job Fair

More than 100 students and alumni met with employers from 38 public, private, and charter schools as well as education nonprofit organizations at the annual Education Job Fair on February 10. Tarrytown Public Schools, Mount Vernon Public Schools, Darien Public Schools, and Harrison Central School District were among the featured groups on campus. This was the largest education job fair the Center for Career Development has held in recent years, which is a good indication of the field’s job market.

Provost's Distinguished Lecture Series Featured John Horgan

Award winning science writer and journalist John Horgan spoke on the topic of his latest best-selling book, “The End of War,” on February 8. The lecture focused on the claim that with the right “paradigm shift” we may be able to eradicate war as we know it.
Manhattanville College Library Celebrates Black History Month

The Library celebrated Black History Month with three special events: Dr. Mohamed Mbodj, professor of history and chair of African and African American studies, gave a lecture on “Harlem of the 1930s Through the Memoirs of an African Immigrant”; Randy Williams, professor and chair of studio art, shared images depicting the practice of art making among black artists in the 20th Century; and alumnus Dr. Charles Williamson ’00, M.S. ’04, chief process officer for UBS Financial Services, received special recognition and shared his experiences in the lecture “Beating the Statistics,” co-sponsored by African Studies, Alumni Relations, Black Student Union, Center for Career Development, Provost’s Office, and School of Business. Check out the Library’s Facebook Page to see more images from all of the library events.

Roberts Wins Gold in 200-Meter Dash to Lead Manhattanville at MAC Indoor Championships

Shannon Roberts ’16 broke both the College and MAC Championship record in the 200-meter dash to earn the women’s indoor track team’s first individual MAC title on February 27 at the MAC Indoor Championships. The senior moved into the top-10 of Division III with a time of 25.43 seconds, and put herself into good position to potentially become Manhattanville’s first-ever National Championship qualifier at the ECAC Indoor Track & Field Championships. Led by Roberts, the Manhattanville women’s team broke six program records and finished seventh at the MAC Championships with 27 points, tied for the best result in the program’s eight-year history.

NYT Columnist David Brooks Discusses His Latest Book at Castle Conversations

Manhattanville College kicked off the 2016 season of Castle Conversations on Tuesday, February 16, with David Brooks, a New York Times political journalist and commentator on “PBS NewsHour.” The lecture was hosted by WNYC’s Elliot Forrest. Brooks focused on his most recent book, “The Road to Character,” which calls attention to the deeper values that should inform our lives. Following Brooks’ lecture, the audience was given a chance to ask a few questions about his views on politics and education.

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Class of 2016 Celebrates with Annual Champagne Toast

The senior class held its annual champagne toast on February 25 to celebrate its achievements and commitment to giving back to Manhattanville College. The Senior Class Gift committee announced the class gift of supporting Study Abroad experiences for future Valiants. Students who donate at least $20.16 will be given the chance to honor someone that has influenced their time at Manhattanville during the Senior Pinning Ceremony in May. President Jon Strauss also presented a giving challenge to the class. For every dollar raised between $1,250 and the goal of $1,500, President and First Lady Strauss will donate $1. For every dollar raised between $1,500 and $1,750, they will donate $2, and every dollar raised between $1,750 and $2,000 the class will receive a $3 donation.

Risk Management Leaders Talk Trends at School of Business Event

Leaders and advisors for the Manhattanville School of Business’ new Institute for Managing Risk (IMR) discussed current and emerging risks and the value of continuing professional education in risk management on February 3 in Reid Castle. Participants proffered observations and lessons based on their experiences as business executives, risk managers, advisors to boards of directors, and senior corporate leaders. Active discussion of expectations for professional risk managers—and the executives to whom they report—elicited a broad range of pertinent observations. Participants agreed that organizations need to take risk, as well as manage those they take and those they seek to avoid. For more information on IMR please contact its director, Michele.Braun@mville.edu.

Philosophy Students Attend Fordham Conference

Seven Manhattanville students joined professors from around the world at the Annual International Conference of the American Maritain Association hosted by Fordham University on February 25. The students examined different subtopics regarding boredom, and were the only undergraduate students to present during the conference. Also, representing Manhattanville College presenting their own papers were Dr. Paul Kucharski, assistant professor of philosophy, and Dr. Siobhan Nash-Marshall, professor and chair of philosophy, and holder of the Mary T. Clark Chair of Christian Philosophy.
MEDIA MENTIONS

- Professor Liz Cherry Quoted in Article About ‘Vegetable-Forward’ Dining
- Professor Katherine Bao Reveals Surprising Facts about Pet Owners in New Research
  - Why dogs really ARE better than cats: Canine owners are ‘happier and more outgoing’ than people with felines
  - Cats vs. Dogs: New Studies May Push You Towards Puppies
- Manhattanville’s School of Business Launches APPEAL Program
- Professor Randy Williams Presents Works Honoring Black History Month
- Professor Harvey Rachlin Brands Westchester County for Westchester Magazine
- Poignant Environmental Documentary by Oscar Nominee Josh Fox to Have Exclusive Screening at Manhattanville College March 14
- NY Times Political Columnist David Brooks and the Road to Character
- Manhattanville College’s CSI program selected as “Bright Spot”
- Documentary Screening at Manhattanville

MARCH EVENTS

- March 5 – Valiant Admitted Student Saturday
- March 7-11 – Spring Break
- March 12 – Valiant for a Day
- March 14 – The Changing Suburbs Institute – 11th Annual Educational Forum
- March 14 – Exclusive Film Screening of “How to Let Go of the World and Love All the Things Climate Can’t Change”
- March 15 – Speakers Broadcast: Janice Bryant Howroyd
- March 16 – Graduation Fair
- March 16 – Faculty Lecture with Hannah Fox
- March 16 – School of Business Open House
- March 17 – Special Women’s History Month Lecture with Dean Lisa Krissoff Boehm, Ph.D.
- March 18 – Are you Smarter than a Freshman?
- March 19 – Music Department Senior Recitals
- March 19 – 50 Nights
- March 20 – Music Department Senior Recitals
- March 22 – Job Fair Prep
- March 22 – Quad Jam Battle of the Bands
- March 23 – Faculty Lecture with Binita Mehta, Ph.D.
- March 24 – Faculty Lecture with Randy Williams
- March 24 – Nutrition Night
- March 25 – The Spring Job & Internship Fair
- March 29 – SOE Alumni Board Meeting
- March 30 – Faculty Lecture with Eric Slater, Ph.D.
- March 30 – Women in Leadership – Where are We Today
- March 31 – School of Education Distinguished Lecturer Series and Reception