This past year marked an end of an era, as Kingsborough bid a fond farewell to President Regina S. Peruggi after nine extraordinary years at the college.

Dr. Peruggi was a leader of tremendous vision and dedication, vaulting Kingsborough to national recognition and creating significant growth in all areas of the college. Never was this more apparent than this past spring, when the Aspen Institute named Kingsborough one of the top four community colleges in the nation.

While the college awaits the selection of its next president, Kingsborough is in the capable hands of Interim President Dr. Stuart Suss. With a Kingsborough career that spans 43 years, Dr. Suss most recently served as the college’s Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost and has a profound understanding of the college’s institutional framework.

As interim president, Dr. Suss is committed to building on the tremendous foundation left by his predecessor and confronting the challenges Kingsborough faces in the coming year.

The Search is On

The City University of New York officially began its search for Kingsborough’s new president this past December. As part of the process, the search committee includes faculty, students and alumni. The committee seeks a president who will honor and preserve Kingsborough’s legacy and traditions, while also leading the college to even greater heights in the future. We look forward to the announcement of a new president.
Alumni Career Panels

Each semester, the Office of Alumni Relations hosts an Alumni Career Panel in which KCC alums from various professions return to speak to students about their careers and experiences.

The panels are a great way for alumni to give back and inspire our students by sharing their insights and success stories. If you’re a KCC alum and are interested in being a panelist, please give us a call.

A special thank you to all of our wonderful panelists in 2013.

NURSING PANEL 2013: Lenny Gorelik RN, MSN, NEA-BC ’06; Grace Simmons RN-BC, BSN ’09; Toby Bressler RN, MPA, OCN ’06; Jennifer Reiser RN, BSN, MS ’08; Andrea Mangone RNC ’82; Howard Sandau BSN, RN ’06; Eileen Hughes RN ’95

SPRING 2013: Andrea Mangone RNC ’82; Gary Katz ’04; Cheri Peters ’91; Michael Mitchell ’87; Carl Straker ’04

FALL 2013: Tania Jones-Michael ’94; Mehmet Bagriyanik ’03; Joan Alagna ’74; Paul Evseroff ’88; Joan Paduano ’01

The Big 5-0

This past fall marked 50 years since Kingsborough’s founding in 1963. Kingsborough has made tremendous strides over the course of its history, growing from an inaugural class of 468 students taught by 39 faculty members, to a current enrollment of over 18,000 students representing 142 nations and 73 languages enrolled in 47 different majors. In addition to growing in size, Kingsborough has also grown in prestige, having been named one of the top four community colleges in the nation by the Aspen Institute just last year.

Celebrate 50 amazing years of Kingsborough by visiting our 50th Anniversary website at www.kingsborough.edu/50anniversary. Our website allows you to take an in-depth tour of Kingsborough’s history; view pictures; read testimonials from students, alumni, faculty and staff; share your own stories; learn more about our 50th Anniversary Campaign; and join us at our celebratory events, including our 50th Anniversary Gala on June 18, 2014.
Last summer, we asked you to “Tell Us Your Story” and share how professors at KCC inspired or influenced you. Below is just one of the many stories of inspiration typical of KCC and its faculty.

“I must give great thanks to a very special woman in my life. She has not only been a second mother to me, a professor, friend and colleague, but has also been my mentor. I met Professor Margaret (Peggy) Salzano while pursuing my RN at Kingsborough’s nursing program. From day one, she gave me the guidance, confidence and drive not only to go forward in my profession and personal life, but to go upward. She is a motivator who focuses on evidence-based practice, education and learning. She opened my eyes to many different avenues of the profession and even helped me to find scholarships that I would qualify for. Even as I dealt with many personal obstacles, she helped to hold my hand and leap over them. Peggy has given me direction, perseverance and inner strength to pursue my goals and aspirations. So thank you once again, Professor Salzano. I wouldn’t have been able to do it without you!”

— Lauren Ellis (Nursing Major ’08), RN, BSN, TNCC

Lauren Ellis currently works in the Emergency Room at Coney Island Hospital as well as a Nursing Skills Lab Resource Person at Kingsborough. She is pursuing her Master’s degree as a nurse practitioner at SUNY Downstate and has been a generous donor to KCC’s nursing program. To join Lauren in supporting the nursing program or a program of your choice, please visit www.kingsborough.edu/donate.

Professor Margaret (Peggy) Salzano, MS, RN, BC, CPHQ has had an extensive career in nursing for over 50 years. She has been teaching in the nursing skills lab at KCC since 2006 following her “retirement.” A Sigma Theta Tau member, she has served on various boards and committees and remains politically active in the nursing profession.

Visit Share the Spirit at www.kingsborough.edu/50anniversary to share your unique KCC perspective with us. Your story could appear in a future Accolades or on our 50th Anniversary website.
Homecoming 2013

Homecoming always proves to be that special time of the year when alumni, students, faculty, staff and their friends and family all come together to celebrate all that is special about Kingsborough.

Our most recent Homecoming was particularly memorable, as it kicked off KCC’s 50th Anniversary celebration. Organized as a “50th Birthday Party” for the college, last October’s homecoming allowed attendees to peruse yearbooks, photos and school newspapers from yesteryear and today; celebrate the crowning of our first Homecoming King and Queen; and eat a delicious slice of anniversary cake – a replica of the MAC building – prepared by KCC’s culinary professor Naxielly Dominguez and her students.

Kingsborough also invited an illustrious panel to discuss its history that included Dean Marilyn Chernin; Dean Thelma Malle; Professor Mort Wagman; and alumna Jane Kraidman ’66.

For more Homecoming pictures visit KBCCAumni on Facebook or www.kingsborough.edu/alumni.

Walking for a Cause

Despite the cold weather, Kingsborough’s spirit was evident throughout the afternoon when faculty, staff, students and alumni came together on November 13, 2013 for KCC’s 5th Annual Walk-A-Thon.

The 36 teams and more than 525 registered walkers raised more than $25,000 to fund student scholarships. In addition, we kicked off a new KCC tradition this year by awarding a special trophy – the Golden Shoe – to the team that raised the most money. This year’s winner: The Office of Enrollment Management.

The Walk-A-Thon also took on a “50th Anniversary” theme, adding activities like a student donor wall, a “Kingsborough Through the Years” photo exhibit, a collection of time capsule items; a 50th commemorative group photo, and a commemorative 50th Anniversary cake to our traditional walk around the campus, team photos, and door prizes.

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Spring 2013 Alumni Donor Honor Roll

A special thank you to the Kingsborough Community College Alumni below who generously donated to the first-ever Alumni Donor Honor Roll! These alumni made a donation to recognize the positive impact of a Kingsborough education, and want to ensure the same for future generations.

These donations will help provide student scholarships, support the college’s valuable services and continue to build upon the tremendous success of being named a Finalist-with-Distinction for the Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, a title that marks Kingsborough as one of the top four community colleges in the nation!

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Mrs. Pauline Antonio ’88
Ms. Theresa Autumnice-Glanize ’01
Honorable Susan Avery ’83
Mrs. Yvette Bailey-Bristo ’96
Ms. Denise Barbaria ’86
Mrs. Lucy P. Bartocci ’90
Mr. Brandon Becker ’91
Mrs. Christine Buite-Beckner ’92
Ms. Camille Bellocco - In Memory of Ms. Jennette Procaccia’99
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Ms. Natalia Bredikhina ’92
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Ms. Dorothy Isola ’80
Ms. Pauline James ’07
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THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Throughout the year we rely on hundreds of alumni, faculty, staff and students to help us with a variety of mailings, activities and events. We sincerely want to thank all of our volunteers, including more than 150 friends who assisted with our special Homecoming celebration, and the following alumni: Pauline Antonio ‘98, Judith Fox, Leah Kalipetes ‘67, Robert Kalipetes, Fern Rossi ‘81, Marie Siliati ‘91, and Ellen Zucker ‘81. E-mail us at kccalumni@kbcc.cuny.edu or call Alumni Relations at (718) 368-6725 to learn about volunteering opportunities.

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES THE DIFFERENCE

From our humble beginnings in 1963 to being named one of the top 4 community colleges in the nation last year, Kingsborough Community College has certainly come a long way in the last five decades. Yet as proud as we are of our past, we are even more excited about our future, and with your help we can make sure the next 50 years at Kingsborough are even more promising.

As we begin a new era in KCC history, we are more determined than ever to increase student success, invest in our faculty, cultivate partnerships within the greater Brooklyn community, and continue planning towards an even brighter future. But we cannot achieve these goals without you.

To that end, we hope you will consider making a donation to Kingsborough’s 50th Anniversary Campaign, which seeks to raise $7 million by 2016. All donations will be recognized in Kingsborough’s Annual Report and on the Annual Donor Wall. Donors who give $150 or more will also be invited to KCC’s 50th Anniversary Donor Recognition Reception on April 2, 2014.

To learn more visit www.kingsborough.edu/50anniversary or call 718-368-4539.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Here are just a few of the events coming up this year. Mark your calendar and look for your invites!

Alumni Career Panel
Thursday, March 27

Alumni Reception Series
  • Motown Tribute
    Saturday, April 5
  • Barbra Streisand Tribute
    Saturday, May 17

50th Anniversary Gala
Wednesday, June 18

WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

Send us your comments and requests by updating your profile on the KCC website at www.kingsborough.edu/alumni. If you prefer, send us an e-mail at kccalumni@kbcc.cuny.edu or call Alumni Relations at (718) 368-4539. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Show your commitment to Kingsborough through membership in the Alumni Association! The $25 annual membership fee helps support student scholarships and programming for alumni events. Your membership also provides you with certain benefits, which include limited access to the college and its facilities, invitations to career-oriented and special events, and various discounts.

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