HOMECOMING DRAWS MANY ALUMS

The volunteers were ready by 9:am and that’s when the first of almost 1800 KCC alumni and their families began arriving. It was a beautiful day and people participated in many of the activities available.

Retirees were also involved as Prof. John Manbeck gave a lecture on the neighborhoods of Brooklyn and Dean Ralph Edwards gave a tour of the campus.

Your Retiree group had a productive meeting where we discussed plans for a Fall event and next Spring’s luncheon. Some ideas discussed include a wine tasting, a trip and an information session. We decided on a Wine Tasting social and all of you should have been notified of the details by now and we hope to see you there.

Mark the date
Our annual Spring Luncheon will take place on Thursday, May 14th

“What We’re Doing:”
Glimpses of Retiree Activity

Sheldon Aptekar had an exhibition of his work in wood, soapstone and mixed media at the Gallery in the Hewlitt/ Woodmere public library. You can see some of his work at his website: www.aptkreations.com.

Joe Muzio’s book, Buddy Remembers, Then and Now, on the life of his parents, has been published by Trafford Publishing. Find it at: http://www.trafford.com/

Ron Schwartz just had his tenth book published by Scarecrow Press entitled GREAT SPANISH FILMS SINCE 1950 -and it covers the Spanish Film Festival at Lincoln Center up to 2007. Ron worked very hard on the book and it took 3 years out of his life to write. It sells from the publisher) at www.scarecrowpress.com And it also appears for sale on www.amazon.com, To right is cover of his book. Ron also teaches two nights a week at Georgia Military College, Spanish 101 & 102 (Elementary) as well as show Spanish films as part of the curriculum.

Ron and Amelia still enjoy their quarter horses and ride 4-5 times a week.
Faculty/Staff Spotlight

Rachelle Goldsmith - HPER/College Now

Shelley Goldsmith took over the KCC Honors program after her retirement. This new role gave her more personal time but also introduced her to some of the brightest and most intensely motivated students she has met.

Traveling to the Berkshires and to her home in Delray Beach, Florida. Husband Barry, also retired, still coaches the KCC tennis team. Shelley still pursues her interest in Yoga, attending workshops and making sure to do her workouts.

The Honors Program has increased its membership from 70 to 125 students since Shelley took over. She recently took 3 incoming Presidential Scholars to the University of Rhode Island for the US Games for scholar athletes. Over 800 students from all over the country attended. She also took six students to the Northeast Regional meeting in Morristown, NJ.

Shelley is delighted that students from the program have gone on to such prestigious schools as Columbia, Cornell, Smith and Mt. Holyoke. Most received full scholarships to these colleges.

The Honors program is now housed in its new quarters in M377.

Upon her retirement, Rachelle set up a scholarship program to recognize College Now students who would go on to become Honors Scholars. This year, she was able to award the very first scholarship to a Kingsborough student, Wesley Lynch.

The Honors award program was set up to recognize the academic achievements of outstanding College Now students who become honors students at the college, was given to so deserving a student as Wesley.

Isaac Reid - Office Services

Former Director of Office Services
Isaac Reid and his wife Sarah, are now living in Charlotte, N.C. and enjoying their life in that lovely city.

Isaac retired in 1998 and moved down to Charlotte eleven years ago. The couple don’t travel that much but do visit their respective moms: Isaac’s lives in Charleston South Carolina and Sarah’s, northeast of Charlotte. Both are in their 90’s!

Now devoted to serving his church in many areas, Isaac lends his considerable skills to counseling on projects related to publishing all the journals and newsletters that accompany communicating to the many church members. His busiest commitment is as Chaplain for the Charlotte District Lay Council which requires traveling all over the state of North Carolina. Sometimes he and his wife travel to other states to attend various church meetings and conferences.

He also participated in the church’s quadrennial convention in Atlanta. The church is the African Methodist Episcopalian Zionist Church and has a million members worldwide. Isaac has been heavily involved with fundraising projects for his church affiliated college, Livingstone College in Salisbury, North Carolina.

He has very fond recollections of his time at Kingsborough and always enjoyed his interactions with faculty. Isaac invites your e-mail at irjr@bellsouth.net.
Create a Legacy

“Flowers leave a part of their fragrance in the hands that bestow them.”  Chinese saying

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BEQUESTS - First make sure you write a will and then simply add a codicil to your existing will, designating a specific dollar amount or percentage of your estate to the Kingsborough Community College Foundation.

Example: “I give, devise and bequeath the sum of $_________ (or a ____ % of my gross estate) for the Kingsborough Community College Foundation to be used for student scholarships.”

You receive immediate tax deductions. Call us with any questions.

Retiree Directory

The quickest way to keep everyone up to date on happenings is through e-mail. We are asking all of you to give us your e-mail address and we will publish it on the back page of the newsletter. This way we can send out notices of interest to you. There also may be other friends and colleagues who wish to contact you. We are also compiling a directory of all retirees and hope you will send in your phone number and full mailing address. Please send your full name, department or office affiliation and all contact info to shellyf@aol.com. Thanks!

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