First Walkathon a Huge Success

Led by Pres. Peruggi, hundreds of Kingsborough students, faculty and staff participated in the first annual KCC Walkathon to raise money for student scholarships. Many people took part (651) and they raised $18,200! There were 51 teams representing departments, offices, alumni, staff, oldsters, youngsters and everyone in-between.

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Head’s Up! The next Marathon will be held on Oct. 26, 3 pm.

Many faces, some familiar, but all having fun for a good cause.

Our next luncheon will be on May 13, 2010. Look for our invitation in late April. Hope to see you there.

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On a beautiful day in February a group of retired employees from Kingsborough Community College gave up their tennis games, left the golf course and didn’t sun themselves on the beach or at the pool. They all met at a restaurant in Boca Raton, Florida for their annual luncheon.

It turned out to be wonderful afternoon for all. We had an opportunity to share with each other what we were doing and how we were feeling. Being together reminded us of the wonderful years we spent together at Kingsborough. We reminisced about what the campus was like in the old days and shared stories about Kingsborough friends with whom we are in contact and who could not be at the luncheon that day.

Ollie Klapper, a retiree wannabee, brought us up to date on what was happening at KCC currently. Rachelle Goldsmith reported to us about the status of the retiree scholarship. We spent an afternoon with good friends, good food and talking about great memories. What could be better?
Faculty/Staff Spotlight
Newest Retirees

Three long time KCC faculty from the Department of Biological Sciences will be retiring this semester.

Ted Markus has been here 44 years, arriving in the very early days of the College’s opening. Joining him, at also 44 years of service, is Gary Sarinsky.

Ted is still working under various NSF grants and hopes to continue to be active in education.

James Goetz has been here for 40 years and is responsible for that great aquarium we all enjoy in the MAC building.

Also retiring this year are Kevin O’Shea from the Office of Information Technology Services, Charles Schwartz of the Office of Financial Aid/Tap, Tisa Mazzo, of the Office of Human Resources, Anthony Colarossi, of the Department of Student Services, and Diego Colon, of the College Discovery/Bilingual program.

We certainly wish all of them the best of luck and good health in their retirement and hope they become members of our Retirees Group.

ART GALLERY PRESENTATION

An Art Gallery Presentation of selections from its permanent collection, was held the evening of April 14th. Donors to the KCC Foundation were invited as were members of the Kingsborough community. Passed Hors d’oeuvres and table refreshments were prepared and served by students in the new Culinary Arts program of the Dept. of Tourism & Hospitality.
Prof. Emeritus John Manbeck Completes 7th Book

"The Historical Photos of the Brooklyn Bridge" came out last August, his seventh book. It traces the history of building the bridge and the changes it caused.

For 20 years, it was the only bridge between Brooklyn and New York although ferries didn't stop until the 1940's. For most of the 19th century, the Brooklyn Bridge carried wagons, horses, trains, trolleys and pedestrians. Then the subways came and eventually buses. It was modernized in the 1980s but political proposals were submitted to add a second deck, add arches to both sides, and even to tear it down and start over. The photos show the bridge's construction, the engineers that built it, toll tickets for walking across the bridge, the necklace of lights, its centennial in 1983 and contemporary photos.

And now we have Brooklyn Bridge Park, allowing even more people to admire the bridge from a vantage point never used before.

Most of the photos come from the Library of Congress, the Brooklyn Public Library, the Queensborough Library and Manbeck's own collection.

The book is available at Barnes & Noble, Amazon, Book Court and other quality book shops, some with signed copies. Prof. Manbeck presented a Power Point lecture on the book through the New York Council for the Humanities.

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