Spearheaded by the Office of Alumni Relations, the College will launch its first ‘Farmingdale Forward 24-hour Challenge’ fundraiser on Wednesday, November 5 through a day-long social media and telephone campaign. The effort is designed to capitalize on the spirit of Farmingdale alumni and staff to attract donations in a specific time frame as well as to develop closer connections within the campus community.

“Funds raised will be used for student scholarships and academic programming,” said Michelle Johnson, director of alumni relations, and Regina Vazquez, assistant director, both of whom developed the idea.

To seed the challenge, alumna Theresa Patnode Santmann, made a generous contribution of $10,000 and has challenged other successful alumni to follow her example in supporting Farmingdale. Ms. Santmann made the largest donation in the College’s history in 2012, a $1 million gift to support academic programs in the health sciences and bioscience.

“I want to thank Theresa Santmann for her continued generosity to the campus, and I also want to commend Michelle and Regina for a creative idea,” President Keen said. “The alumni office does a great deal for the campus in organizing events, supporting academics and projects, and in developing a sense of community. I hope our alumni and staff will do whatever they can.”

Distinguished professors, staff and students have volunteered to call Farmingdale graduates to ask for their support. Mary Stedman, Miriam Deitsch, Jim Hall, Charles Adair, Laura Joseph, Bridget Cremmins, Ligia Rodriguez, Howard Gold, Marguerite Fagella, Judi Cestaro, Mike Harrington, Ken Tax, Larry A. Lopez, and George Fernandez have all agreed to make calls.

While phone calls will be made from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. in the brand new Admissions Tour Room in Roosevelt Hall, the campus website will be updated at midnight to reflect the start of the 24-Hour Challenge. At 6 a.m., emails will be sent to the larger campus community with a reminder from the President to contribute to the best of their ability. Contributions can be made by visiting the College website that day or at www.farmingdale.edu/ff24 or by visiting the Farmingdale Forward 24-hour Challenge table in the Campus Center. Gifts can also be made over the phone by calling (631) 420-2369. Cash, check, or credit card donations in any amount will be accepted.

Actor William Fichtner, 1978 Criminal Justice graduate, who has appeared in numerous films and television shows, has videotaped a message to show his dedication to the college that changed his life.

In addition to alumni, the campus community is being asked to participate. The goal for this campaign – our first ever - is 250 donors.

The campus community will be notified of the results as soon as possible after the close of the 24-hour period. Thank you for your commitment to move Farmingdale Forward on November 5.
Athletics Hall of Fame Inducts Nine

The Farmingdale State College Athletics Hall of Fame inducted its seventh class last month as part of FSC’s 2014 Homecoming weekend. This year’s induction included two coaches and seven former athletes. They joined the 44 players and 7 coaches already inducted for a total of 60 Hall of Fame members.

Inducted were:
- Arnie Minkoff has coached cross country and indoor/outdoor track and field 19 years. He has coached five National Champions and 77 All-Americans in his career.
- Ken Rocco won over 500 games as the head baseball coach at FSC during his tenure from 1971 to 2005. He won five Region XV Championships, made the NJCAA Playoffs 28-of-30 seasons, was a five-time Coach of the Year and won eight Sportsmanship trophies. He had 28 players sign with Pro or affiliated teams.
- Kimberly Blakney was a starter on the team in 1984-85. He was a Region XV All-Star and holds school records for both kills and blocks. In track, she was an indoor All-American in the High Jump in 2008, and also holds Top-10 records in the Triple Jump and 4x200m Relay.
- Steve Cohen was a member of the baseball team in 1984-85. He was a Region XV All-Star both seasons and a Gold Glove winner in ’85. He stole 65 bases and was never thrown out.
- Orlando De Jesus competed in cross country and indoor/outdoor track in 1982-1983. He holds six school records and was a Top10 performer in six other categories. He was a two-time NJCAA All-American, and was a member of the national record 4x800m Relay team.
- Patrick Dowling played lacrosse for two years, under fellow Hall of Famer Fred Acee. He was team captain in 1971 and led his team to a National Championship. He was also named to the All-Region and All-National Tournament teams.
- Stefan Malliet was a men’s basketball NJCAA All-American, and Region XV Player of the Year in 1997-98. He holds the single-game scoring record with 56 points against TCI.
- Cathryn McLean was a three-sport athlete, competing in volleyball, indoor/outdoor track, and volleyball. In volleyball, she was a four-year starter and holds school records for both kills and blocks. In track, she was an indoor All-American in the High Jump in 2008, and also holds Top-10 records in the Triple Jump and 4x200m Relay.
- Michael Murphy was a member of baseball’s 1979 Region XV Championship team. He was selected All-Region, All-Northeast, and All-American as a shortstop. After graduating from Farmingdale he was given a full scholarship to play at the New York Institute of Technology.
- Walter Schnell was a member of the football team in 1973 and was three times all-conference.

College Foundation Gala to Be Held Nov. 20

The 2014 Long Island Business Hall of Fame Gala sponsored by the Farmingdale College Foundation will be held on Thursday, November 20 from 6-10 p.m. at Oheka Castle and Estate in Cold Spring Hills. This event, the Foundation’s major fundraiser of the year, brings together hundreds of business and industry leaders throughout Long Island, and is always a sellout. Funds are used to support scholarships and other campus needs not included in the College’s budget. Tickets will once again be discounted for Farmingdale State faculty and staff. Please contact Dr. Sikorski’s office (X2142) for additional information.

Fulbright Candidates Announced

Dr. Beverly Kahn has announced that seven FSC students’ Fulbright applications have been forwarded to the Fulbright committee. The competition results will be released in the spring. Please keep your fingers crossed for our students.
- Sarina Bergdoll, Business and Computer Systems / minor in English Literature, hopes to study Education in the UK at the University of Strathclyde Education
- Tameka M. Boyajian, Professional Communications / minor in Business Management hopes to be an English Teaching Assistant in Taiwan
- Lorna Christian, Aviation Administration, hopes to study Transportation in the UK at Cranfield University
- Samuel Clark, Sports Management, hopes to study Business Management in Spain, at the Institute de Empresa
- Mohsin Imtiaz, Bioscience / minor Chemistry, hopes to study Biology in Latvia at the University of Latvia
- Nina Ohakam, Professional Communications, hopes to study Gender Studies in Spain at the University of Barcelona
- Valerie Patritti, Bioscience (1st BA Latin Am Studies - Purchase), hopes to study Art and Architectural History in Mexico at the University Iberoamericana

Faculty Advisors for these students included Dr. Beverly L. Kahn – Political Science/ Technology Studies and College-wide Fulbright Coordinator and Advisor; Prof. Joseph Betz – Architecture & Construction Management; Dr. Dan Dan Chen – History; Prof. April Earle – Library; Prof. Thomas Germano – Visual Communication; Dr. Jennifer Gonder – Psychology; and Dr. Lorraine Greenwald – International Education.
Homecoming was a blast!

Almost 400 students, staff and alumni attended the 2014 Homecoming which was filled with food, games, prizes and contests.
Weather Notification Procedures

With the winter approaching, this important reminder is being issued to all faculty, students, and staff on weather and other emergencies.

In the event of a cancellation or delay in classes, or activities, pertinent information and announcements are distributed in the following ways:

- Campus-wide e-mail
- Home page of the College website
- Mobile website for smartphones (to download this feature on your mobile phone, go to m.farmingdale.edu)
- The College’s accounts on Facebook and Twitter
- Electronic signs at campus entrances
- News media—especially local radio stations such as WALK (97.5) and KJOY (98.3), and TV stations such as News 12 Long Island.

Please do not call University Police for the status of classes or the campus. It is vital to keep the University Police phone lines available for true emergencies. Likewise, do not call administrative departments or the campus operators. If you have any specific questions, you should contact your supervisor. Some offices also maintain phone chains; your department head will know if this additional communication channel is still being used in your department.

In addition, you may sign up for RAVE, which distributes text messages on weather and other emergencies, and SUNY-Alert, which will call your designated phone with a recorded message on class cancellations or delays. To sign up for these services:

- For RAVE, please visit www.getrave.com and select Farmingdale State College. Use your Farmingdale user id and password to enter the site. Please follow the directions on the screen to enroll.
- For SUNY-Alert, please visit the University Police web page at www.farmingdale.edu/university-police/

Announcements on classes are made only if there is a cancellation or delay. Otherwise, classes are in session. However, as weather events evolve and circumstances change, it is important to keep checking the website, news media, your e-mail account, and the other communication venues for updates. Even if classes are cancelled, administrative and academic offices are customarily open, as only the Governor can order a complete closing of the campus. If offices are open, then staff who do not report to work must inform their supervisors and charge their accruals.

People in the News

- John DeCarlo, Professional Communications, presented a lecture last month at Michigan State University. His topic was how the German apprenticeship model can be integrated in the American business culture.
- Eric Morgan, biology, was elected Chair of the Botanical Society of America’s Ecological Section, one of the largest sections within BSA.
- Shane Owens, counseling services, was quoted extensively in the September issue of HealthlineNews. The topic was “WorldSuicide Prevention Day: We Need to Talk About It.”
- Sarbajit “Sabi” Singh and Ira Stolzenberg, sport management, wrote an article included in August 18 edition of Street & Smith’s SportsBusiness Journal. Titled “Nassau County’s decision on arena could serve as an example,” the article concerned the plan to renovate the Nassau Coliseum.
- Sport Management student Vincent Gough will travel to Minneapolis in early November to represent the FSC team formed of Beverly Kahn’s Introduction to Politics class at the “It’s Up to Us Deficit Awareness Campus Campaign.”

In Memoriam

The Farmingdale State College community extends condolences to the friends, family and colleagues of Charlene Russert, development, on the death of her father, Charles Russert, who died on August 9.

Calendar of Events

- Wednesday, 11/6 at 3:05 p.m. - President Keen’s Open Session, Roosevelt Little Theater.
- Wednesday, 11/6 at 3:05 p.m. - Ed Randall, Sport Management Speaker, GLSN 102
- Thursday, 11/13 at 3:05 p.m. Jennie Thwing will present on The Home Project: An Experiment in Community Based in Art, CC Ballroom
- Friday 11/14, Sat 11/15, Fri 11/21 and Sat 11/22 at 8 p.m. AND Sun, 11/16 at 2 p.m. - Backstage Theatre Presents...The Wedding Singer
- Thursday, 11/20 from 3-6 p.m. – Fall Job Fair, Roosevelt Hall
- Thursday, 11/20 at 6 p.m. – LI Business Hall of Fame Gala, Oheka Castle
- Monday, 11/24 at 3:05 p.m. – Kristen L. Rouse will speak about Imperatives of Intervention in Iraq & Syria, Campus Center Ballroom B
- Thursday, 12/11 from 3-5 p.m. - Holiday Party, Campus Center
- Saturday, 12/20 at noon – Winter Commencement, Nold Hall

Funeral Notifications

A new form is being created to post funeral notifications. Campus-wide notifications of the death of immediate family, (including father, mother, spouse, children) will be sent by the Office for Institutional Advancement, provided the Wufoo form has been completed correctly. Ideally, the form with be filled out by the person who has lost a loved one. If the information is being provided by a co-worker, permission to share this personal information should be obtained from the family. The new form will be available in Campus E-News later this month.

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