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KCC has new security company contract

KCC has contracted with a new security services company, Wackenhut Security.

Officers from Wackenhut Security patrol the KCC main campus and West Campus 24 hours per day, seven days per week. Their contract began July 13.

Photos of the new officers accompany this information. They are:



Mark Heikkila, fill-in on 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. shifts



Kent Karmichael, 3 to 11 p.m.



Steve Larner, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.; site supervisor



Mark Mulder, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.



Fred Schultz, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Joe Zannani, 3 to 11 p.m.

Campus security works closely with Eric Springer, coordinator of public safety and campus operations, and other members of the Physical Plant Department staff.

Get a poster

Posters with KCC's mission, vision, core values and strategic goals are available in the human resources office.

These posters are great to post in every work area and office. They are approximately 8 1/2 inches wide and 17 inches tall.

Anyone who doesn't have one is encouraged to visit the human resources office to pick one up to display.

Employment news

One person is beginning employment at the college this week.

She is Mary Cahoe, assistant professor, Nursing, Health Careers Division, effective 8/24/09.

In the coming weeks, there will be a longer introduction of her.

Welcome Back activities begin this week

KCC will welcome students to campus beginning this week with a number of student activities.

The clubs and organizations fair, **Aug. 31 to Sept. 3** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day, will have information for students who want to get involved. Anyone who would like a spot at the fair is invited to contact Sarah Zirkle at ext. 8628 or e-mail smcintosh-zirkle@kcc.edu.

Also, beginning **today (Aug. 24)**, FREE KCC Student planners will be given away to all students and employees upon request, while supplies last. They are available at the First Floor Receptionist Desk.

The schedule below includes the event times and specials for the beginning of the school year.

For more information on welcome back week activities, phone Sarah at ext. 8628 or e-mail smcintosh-zirkle@kcc.edu.

Tuesday, Aug. 25

Picture This: The Big Red Chair, College Center; 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 27

NASCAR Simulator - Target #42, main patio; 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 31

Clubs and Organizations Fair, Atrium area; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

1/2 price lunch specials

Tuesday, Sept. 1

Clubs and Organizations Fair, Atrium area; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

1/2 price breakfast specials

Wednesday, Sept. 2

Clubs and Organizations Fair, Atrium area; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

1/2 price lunch specials

Thursday, Sept. 3

Clubs and Organizations Fair, Atrium area; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

FREE Popcorn

Table tent procedures explained

The offices of student activities and marketing have collaborated to create a procedure to keep the College Center looking attractive by having a limit of one table tent being displayed at any given time.

To have a table tent displayed, work with the same contact from marketing or student activities as in the past. Student and club requests are made through Sarah McIntosh-Zirkle. All other requests are made through the appropriate marketing representative: Kari Sargeant, Nancy Schunke or Ellen Skelly.

Space on tables can be reserved on a first come first served basis.

When the request is made, it will be reserved on a calendar, with a maximum of seven days on display for each.

The procedure applies to all table tents, including those not printed by KCC's media department.

Chronicle of Higher Ed - online

Submitted by Karen Becker, assistant director of the Learning Resource Center

Everyone has access to the *Chronicle of Higher Education* while on campus.

This journal contains news and information for college faculty and administrators. The online *Chronicle* is updated daily.

Subsections of the online journal include a wide variety of topics such as current issues, students, international and community colleges. In addition, a free personal account can be created at <https://chronicle.com/services/>.

From the main Chronicle page, select the Services option in the left frame. From this page in the "How to" column, select "Create a free account." This account allows you to receive e-mail updates to a variety of newsletters include Academe Today and the Community College newsletter.

On-campus photo sessions are planned



The marketing office is planning two campus photo sessions in the coming weeks.

The photo sessions will use a professional photographer.

The photos will be used in official college publications, including the class schedule, view book, college catalog and other promotional materials; in print advertisements developed by KCC; and on KCC's Web site. The photos will be taken in classrooms and in other locations around campus on Sept. 16 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Sept. 23 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Notification will go out to teachers whose classes might be visited. When a photographer visits a class, there is usually a small amount of disruption, but the result is often a good depiction of students in classrooms and labs.

To learn more about photo sessions, contact Ellen Skelly at ext. 8279 or e-mail eskelly@kcc.edu.

Literacy month is just days away

Submitted by Denise Burklow, specialist for Adult Literacy Projects



September is Literacy Month, and Sept. 8 is International Literacy Day.

KCC's ALIVE (Adult Literacy Initiative Volunteers Expanded) program addresses literacy issues in our area, providing individual tutoring to improve the literacy skills of adults age 16 and older who are not enrolled in school.

ALIVE also sponsors Baby TALK, an outreach program that encourages parents to read to their newborn children. The Baby TALK Program serves Kankakee and Iroquois county hospitals.

The literacy programs at KCC help people of all ages, from birth on, to realize the importance of reading and to improve their skills. Literacy goes beyond reading written words. It also involves the comprehension of written passages, the ability to follow written directions and to use basic math.

As part of Literacy Month, KCC's ALIVE program invites adults who would like to improve their basic literacy skills to enroll in the ALIVE program. Additionally, those who have strong literacy skills are invited to become volunteers for the adult tutoring program or to visit the parents of newborns through the Baby TALK program.

We really appreciate all of those who share their love of reading through volunteering. The time commitment is between four and eight hours per month and volunteers attend a literacy training session before they begin.

For more information about the KCC ALIVE programs or Literacy Month, phone me, Denise Burklow, at ext. 8307 or e-mail dburklow@kcc.edu.

Thanks for in-service contributions

The Faculty Growth and Development Committee would like to thank everyone who assisted in making the Fall 2009 in-service successful.

Physical Plant Department and food service staff as well as guest speakers worked hard to make this event as beneficial as possible to those in attendance.

The positive feedback we received included appreciation for the quality of each presentation, the variety of food, and the location of the social gathering.

You will receive a survey to provide more feedback about your Fall 2009 in-service experience. We will review your feedback for future planning. It was an honor to serve our full and adjunct faculty in this capacity.

We hope this jump-start to the fall semester proves to be effective for you and our students.

Daily sports reports begin soon

The 2009-10 sports seasons are about to kick off.

Sarah McIntosh-Zirkle will send daily game score reports to all employees except those who request to be off of the list.

If you do not wish to receive updates about KCC athletics, please e-mail smcintosh-zirkle@kcc.edu with the request to be taken off the list.



View fall sports schedules on the Web

Schedules for KCC's fall sports teams are at www.kcc.edu, click on athletics from the quick links.

The volleyball team will kick off its season hosting the Early Bird Challenge on Aug. 28 and 29. The soccer season begins on Aug. 29 with an away game at Triton College.

Softball and baseball also have fall exhibition games scheduled.

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