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Floating holiday and winter break reminders

The floating holiday policy has been revised.

Rather than having specific days (Veterans Day, Presidents Day, or Columbus Day), full time employees can take ANY day as the floating holiday. The time frame for using the holiday is July 1 to June 30 each year. This change was approved at the May 11, 2009 board of trustees meeting.

Each employee must notify the human resources office of which date he/she plans to use. Administrators should fill out an absence from work report after the day is used; supportive staff should mark "FH" on their payroll time sheets.

Employees using the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or any other type of leave of absence will not receive holiday pay but can utilize any paid benefit time that is applicable and available, i.e. sick, vacation, comp time.

Winter break

The KCC campus will be closed from Dec. 23 through Jan. 3 for winter break.

Just like last year, full-time support staff and administrators do not have to use vacation, comp-time or other methods to account for any of the days during winter break.

Anyone with questions regarding the holiday schedule and options should contact David Cagle at ext. 8128 or e-mail dcagle@kcc.edu.

Fire drills scheduled

Fire drills have been scheduled for 9:05 a.m. and 5:35 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

Faculty will need to plan for the alarm in order that there are not tests scheduled for that time. All staff should review fire evacuation procedures before the drill.

In order that there is some degree of realism to the drill, faculty should not forewarn students. During the drill, everyone should cooperate to assist students in leaving the building and



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staying a reasonable distance from the buildings.

Mailer review is this week

In a few weeks, the office of marketing and public information will send the Spring 2010 mailer to the printer to arrive on campus Oct. 23.

In order to assure the accuracy of the contents of the course listings, all professors and division chairs are invited to look over the pages. This is a chance to check for accuracy of class times, dates, locations, titles, etc. but not to alter what is being offered or to add or delete sections.

Anyone who would like to make this final check can visit Sharon Hoogstraat's desk 1 to 4 p.m. Sept. 30 and 9 a.m. and noon Oct. 1. If that time frame does not work, call Sharon at ext. 8509 to set up a time.

Debut of new Web pages begins in October

KCCs Web site is receiving a new look, and the first pages will debut in early October.

The new design, shown in a screen shot below, will first be seen on the Corporate and Continuing Education pages. Soon after, pages for WKCC will be live on the site.

The redesign of KCCs entire site should be complete later this year.



No accounts payable checks 10/8



There will not be an accounts payable check run on Oct. 8.

Items which need to be paid in the Oct. 1 check run need to be turned in to Angela Kunce or Kristi Hendershott by 4:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28.

Requests received after Sept. 28 will be paid in the Oct. 15 check

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run.

The Accounting Office asks everyone to plan accordingly to make sure checks are available when needed.

Art reception is Tuesday

A reception with the artists showing works during the "RAICES · ROOTS" National Hispanic Heritage Month art exhibit, will be 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29 in the Learning Resource Center Art Gallery.



The show features works by René Hugo Arceo, Joe Compean and Sergio Gomez. During the reception, there will be comments and discussion with the artists at 7 p.m.

The exhibit title, "RAICES · ROOTS," refers to the common thread among the artists. Each man's Latino heritage has influenced his work. Gomez works in painting and drawing, Compean works with photographic and installation medium, and Arceo is a printmaker.

The exhibit is on display until Oct. 15.

Video information sessions offered



Employees are asked to tell students about video information sessions which will be offered this week.

The sessions are designed for students considering entering the 2009 video contest. It will offer tips on creating a video.

Two sessions will be offered:

- Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Room D123; and
- Thursday, Oct. 1, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Room D123.

For the video contest, students are asked to make a video about the KCC experience. Each member of the winning team (a maximum of four) wins an iPod Shuffle. Every team wins a prize for entering.

Complete contest information, entry requirements, entry forms and video upload information is at <http://prod.kcc.edu/Pages/videocontest.aspx>.

The video contest information sessions will be lead by Jerry Slowik, a professional videographer.

Event for veterans is coming



KCC and the Illinois Department of Employment Security will sponsor the second annual Veterans Job



Fair and Resource Network event from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29.

The event is open to the public. Admission is free.

This event is a good opportunity for veterans to learn more about current job opportunities and local resources, said Tina Talmadge, coordinator of Career Services. Participants are encouraged to dress for success and to enjoy the experience of meeting employers and agencies from throughout the area.

At 10 a.m. in the Iroquois Room, speakers from the state of Illinois will talk about a number of topics relevant to veterans.

Those who want to attend the morning session are asked to preregister online beginning Oct. 1. Seats will be available on a first-come first-served basis. Refreshments will be provided.

A Veterans Job Fair including a number of information tables opens at 12:30 p.m. in the College Center. No reservations are required. Veterans agencies will have information tables and area employers will have a job fair. At the job fair, area businesses, industries and agencies will conduct pre-screening interviews for full- and part-time positions.

Show poetry skills - applications now available

Those who enjoy writing poetry are invited to submit entries for the KCC Invited Guest Poetry Reading.

Chosen poets will read their poems in an open setting from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 26 at KCC. Entries will be accepted from all community residents.



More than one submission will be accepted from each poet, but each entry must include a separate submission form. Entries will be accepted by e-mail, mail and hand delivery. Submission deadline is Oct. 8, and selected poets will be contacted the week of Oct. 12.

The event also will feature award-winning poets Kimberly Johnson and Jay Hopley reading selected works. Johnson's "A Metaphorical God" has been described as "dazzling" by the Yale Review. Hopley is the winner of multiple poetry awards, and his "Green Squall," published by Yale Press, is the winner of the 2005 Yale Series of Younger Poets competition.

For more details about the event, or to receive an electronic copy of the submission form, e-mail Penelope Stickney, KCC writing professor, at pstickney@kcc.edu. Event information also is at www.kcc.edu.

Halloween competition offered

The staff of the Room L355 academic divisions office and the office of Admissions and Registration would like to challenge other areas on campus to join the annual Halloween competition.

For three years, those two areas have competed against each other for the best Halloween costumes and office theme.

"Last year, the entire campus was invited to participate and we thought we had it won," said contest participant Alison Nakaerts, of the L355 team. "There was stiff competition.

"We look forward to all the new competition and hope you will join us! So gather your co-workers and get working on your theme for this year."



Each area's theme must be kept under wraps to keep the competition from "borrowing" ideas. As incentive, the winning department will keep the Traveling Tacky Trophy (shown at left) until the 2010 competition.

To help with theme ideas, here are some past themes Room L355 and Admissions and Registration have used: TV/movie witches, above/under the sea, fairies, Mardis Gras, a candy dish, and a circus.

If your department or staff in your area would like to get into the spirit of the day, please let Alison know at anakaerts@kcc.edu or ext. 8654.

Congratulations United Way parking winners

Twelve United Way donors were chosen Sept. 23 to park in the president's parking space for one month.



In the special drawing for those who donated a minimum of \$52 to the campaign, the winners each can park for one month in the president's parking space, less than 52 feet from the Prairie Building door.

The winners were: Jill Christy, Joyce Cochran, Mendy Corbett, Liz East, Glenda Forneris, Kathy French, Vicki Gardner, Brenda Newman, Ellen Skelly, Donna Smith, Eric Springer and Allen Weaver.

WKCC news

WKCC public radio is now available on Apple's iPhone.

To listen, iPhone users can download the NPR application and listen to WKCC by searching Illinois stations.

NPR stands for National Public Radio.



WKCC also is adding NPR's popular daily program "Talk of the Nation." The two hour program will air in the early afternoon. The exact time is still under consideration. Mike Savage, director of radio broadcasting for WKCC, said that Talk of the Nation is currently not available on public radio stations in Chicago and Champaign, so WKCC's broadcast will be special.

For more information on WKCC 91.1 FM, visit wkccradio.org.

Image Makers raises \$1K at Alzheimer's Walk

The KCC Image Makers Club participated in the 2009 Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk on Saturday Sept. 19.

Seven Radiography students, Program Director Darla Jepson, and her daughter Darci Jepson raised \$1,007 for research to treat and prevent Alzheimer's.

Currently more than 5 million Americans have Alzheimer's Disease, and 78 million baby boomers are at risk.

"It's not too late to make a donation and support our efforts," Darla said. "If you would like to make a donation click on the link and make a donation to our team." <http://memorywalk.kintera.org>

In the photo are: (back row, left to right) Kelly Lyme, Jackie Teske, Sarah Maxard, Jennifer Charlier and Ann Procopio; (middle row, left to right) Taryn Tomblin and Dana Scheperle; and (front row, left to right) Darci Jepson and Darla Jepson.



Get ready, Hoopla time almost here



It's almost October, and the retail world is preparing for the holiday shopping season.

The traditional kickoff--at least at KCC--to the holiday season is the Homespun Holiday Hoopla. The Hoopla is an extravaganza showcasing homemade items from KCC employees and their close relatives.

A variety of crafters are preparing for the event.

The 21st annual Hoopla will be from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19 in the Board Room and adjacent President's Conference

Room.

To reserve a booth at the show or for more information, contact Elizabeth Becvar at ext. 8253 or ebecvar@kcc.edu. Entry deadline is Oct. 31.

College fair thanks

Thank you to everyone who helped with the success of the college fairs held on Sept. 21 at KCC.

It takes a coordinated effort among many areas to hold two events with several hundred visitors from our community and far beyond it. Personnel from several campus departments assisted. Thank you, also, to those who worked at the KCC booths at the events.

-Michelle Driscoll and Susan LaMore

Employment news

One person has recently left the college.

Brad Reel, librarian in the Learning Resource Center, employment ended effective Sept. 25.

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