Many money savers are being considered
Submitted by Dr. John Avendano, president; and Vicki Gardner, vice president for business affairs and human resources

Appreciation goes out to all who participated in the Campus Bytes sessions related to the current and future budget situation.

Great ideas were received for expenditure reductions and revenue generation. To view a summary of submitted ideas, visit O:\Share\KCC. The file is named "Campus Bytes Budget Ideas."

If any idea you submitted or verbalized was not captured well (they were coming rapidly in some meetings), please contact Vicki Gardner so it can be updated and properly included.

As ideas are explored for possible implementation, names of submitters may be shared for the purpose of giving credit where credit is due. No one should take offense at any of the ideas, which may reference specific areas, as the framework under which they were submitted was open brainstorming, embracing all possibilities.

Anyone who has additional ideas is most welcome to submit them to either Dr. Avendano or Vicki. This is a long-term situation that will take our collective creativity for successful navigation without impairing instruction, student services, or the quality of the institution.

Sweet opportunity: denim week could lead to driving 'Black Beauty'
Submitted by David Cagle, co-chair of KCC's United Way
Let me begin by saying "thank you" to everyone who has supported KCC's United Way internal campaign.

Last year, KCC employees raised $13,079, and had been around the $13,000 mark for a few years. When we set the goal this year, we were shooting for $15,000. We met and exceeded the goal, so far raising $16,821 -- an increase of 28.61%.

So again, thank you!

The county-wide campaign comes to a close on March 25. Please consider helping the community to reach its goal of $1.2 million, which will enable vital programs and services to continue for those in need.

There is a raffle underway to win a 2010 Camaro 2LT Coupe. Go to http://myunitedway.org/index.php?pr=Camaro_tickets to learn more. Tickets are $100 and can be purchased online or in KCC's Business Affairs and Human Resources Office. Only 1,500 tickets will be sold.

Knowing that $100 is a little steep, here's an offer...

**Denim Week: March 8-12**

The week of Spring Break, March 8-12, employees can wear jeans each day for a $20 donation.

The $20 donation will include a chance to win a Camaro raffle ticket. One in every five KCC Denim Week participants will be in the drawing for the Camaro! Here's why: All Denim Week proceeds will go toward Camaro raffle ticket chances. As an example, if 40 people pay $20, eight (8) $100 Camaro chance tickets will be given away.

To register for Denim Week, or for more information, bring a $20 dollar donation to Mary Posing in Corporate and Continuing Education or to David Cagle in Human Resources.

Hopefully one of our own will be driving this black beauty of a car!

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**SUAA chapter hosts social and welcomes new members**

*Submitted by Claire McElroy, president of KCC's SUAA chapter*

Thank you to all who attended the KCC State Universities Annuitants Association chapter social Feb. 16.

It was truly an evening of great food, great conversation and a time to renew old friendships and make new ones. We welcome our newest chapter members:

Karen Bayston, Steve Monts, Alice Niemeyer and Gisel Waide.

We appreciate your membership.
**Auction features original photos**

A silent auction of original photographs is going on until May 7 in the Hammes Cafe.

Photography in the display was selected by a committee on campus. Photos in the exhibit will rotate each semester.

To participate in the auction, get a bidder number from Linda Antons at the first floor receptionist desk. Proceeds benefit the KCC Foundation.

Questions can be directed to Paul Carlson or Kari Sargeant.

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**Bookstore closes for carpet replacement**

The KCC Hammes Bookstore will be closed Friday, March 5 through Friday, March 12, for the installation of new carpeting.

Central Supply orders for the first week of March will be delivered on Thursday, March 4. There will be no deliveries March 8 to 12. During this time, Jill Christy will work out of Room L240 and can still be reached at ext. 8592 for inquiries or student needs.

The new carpeting is funded by a donation to the Bookstore received during the major gifts campaign.

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**Testing Center offers several reminders**

*Submitted by Gisel Waide, Testing Center specialist*

Following are a few reminders for using the Testing Center:

-- If you require a Scantron, please include one with your testing materials.

-- If you are leaving a test after hours, please fill out an interoffice envelope completely, put your testing materials inside and place the envelope under the locked door of Room D227.

-- Please make sure you are using the latest cover sheet: found at O:/Share/KCC/Testing Center/Make-up Test Procedures and Request Form SPRING 2010

-- When you fill out the Make-up Test coversheet, please remember to print legibly, include instructor first and last name, include the course abbreviation and number (i.e.: PHIL 2513), include the completion date and the time allowed to take the test. This saves us from having to send an e-mail to request that information.

Also note, the Testing Office will have extended hours, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., during mid-term week, March 1 to 4.

Anyone with questions is invited to contact the Testing Office at ext. 8531.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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**Thanks from Match Points**
Thank you to the following people who helped with the 2010 Match Points competition:
   Paul Carlson, Liz Becvar, Sharon Hoogstraat, Steve DePasquale, Tina Talmadge, John Avendano, Joellen Vasquez, Oshunda Carpenter Williams, Will Rezba, David Cagle, Susan LaMore, Meredith Purcell, Rebecca Wilder, Laurel Soper, Barb Arseneau, Jamal Hawkins, Penny Dickerson, Michelle Driscoll, Lauren Plese, Jessica Baron, Kelsey Shreck, Tylar Fuller and Dustin Roggenburg.
   Because you helped out by volunteering, this year’s event was a complete success. I am greatly appreciative.
   I would also like to thank Nancy Schunke, Alice Niemeyer, Khassandrae Brown, Linda Antons and Food Service for their help in preparation of the event.
   --Sarah Zirkle

Cash Bash winners announced

   The 2010 Cavalier Club Cash Bash was held Feb. 20 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Kankakee.
   Prize winners—as named on their winning tickets—were:
   $500 John Stuart, $100 Ted & Marian Petersen, $100 Bert Jacobson, $100 Ken Hamann, $100 Jack Trudeau, $100 Bruce Myers/Bob Ling, $100 Bev Arseneau, $100 Bruce Albers, $100 Tim Fletcher, $100 Mike Grace, $100 Ahlden Farm, $100 Norma & Darrell Stauffenberg, $100 Randy Penley, $100 Troy Jacobson/Butch Webber, $100 Jack Trudeau, $100 Adam Jacobson, $100 Bill Gilmore, $100 Fred & Gisel Waide, $100 Tim Gentry, $100 Nate Henrichs, $100 Doug Post, "Loser Draw" $100 Bill Sluis/Amanda Wilkins; grand prize split: $2,750 Rosie & Greg Lamore, $2,750 Jayme Gerdovich.
   Congratulations to everyone.
   The Cash Bash benefits Cavaliers athletic teams.

Savvy publication promotes paralegal education

   A KCC professor has an article in the current edition of Paralegal Educator, the national publication of the American Association for Paralegal Education.
   The article, titled "Regional Recruitment and Retention: Advanced Networking for Seasoned Programs," was written by Kris Condon, professor in the Business and Technology Division and Corporate and Continuing Education. It is in the Fall 2009 issue.
   The AAfPE also has asked Kris to write a new article for their next edition, scheduled to be published in Summer 2010. It will be called "The Techno-Savvy Paralegal: Incorporating Technical Certifications into the Paralegal Curriculum."
   "It's all about how we use Microsoft certification (MCAS) here at
KCC to give our students an edge in hiring and interviewing," Kris said.

The Fall 2009 issue of Paralegal Educator has another tie to KCC. It includes an essay by Karen Marsh, a 2009 graduate of the Paralegal/Legal Assistant Studies program. Marsh’s essay was one of five national Lambda Epsilon Chi scholarship awards for 2009-10--the third consecutive year KCC has had a national winner in this competition.

Both articles can be viewed at http://www.kcc.edu/facultystaff/facultypages/kcondon/pages/default.aspx, under professional affiliations.

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**Events this week**

**Safety and self-defense are focus of event**

In honor of National Women's History month, KCC will host "Girls Fight Back," on Thursday, March 4 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the KCC College Center.

The event is free and open to the women ages 12 and over. The 90-minute Girls Fight Back seminar is humorous and interactive. The session combines cutting-edge safety and self defense training with messages of empowerment and simple techniques to remember.

For more information, contact Sarah Zirkle at ext. 8628 or smcintosh-zirkle@kcc.edu.

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**Sessions share Business and HR info**

Submitted by David Cagle, director of Human Resources

Beginning in February, the Business Affairs & Human Resources Office will offer information sessions twice a month for all KCC employees. These informational sessions will be repeated again for the next several months.

**Tuesday, March 2 -- 2-4:30 p.m., Room D214**

This session will include information from three areas

Rich Soderquist will provide information on Physical Plant Department, public safety and security, work orders, key requests, staff parking, and facility improvements.

Mike O'Connor will share information about the HelpDesk, and the types of services and policies of the Information Technology Services department.

David Cagle will present information on KCConnect, direct deposit, annual verification of emergency contact, the advertising & employment recommendation process, employee absences, payroll time sheets, and miscellaneous issues regarding human resources.

**Tuesday, March 16 -- 2-4:30 p.m., Room D214**
This session will include information from four areas. Angela Kunce will discuss in and out of district travel, R-25, purchasing, and miscellaneous staff reimbursements. Brenda Dressler will discuss budget transfers, bids/quotes, and the budget process. Heather Dillander and Brenda will share information about budgets. Jill Christy will review the central supply ordering process.

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**News and information**

**High school art show underway**

Students from 16 area high schools have works on display at the 21st annual KCC High School Juried Art Exhibition.

It can be viewed until March 26 in the lower level art gallery in the Learning Resource Center. A reception and awards presentation, including jurors’ critiques, will be Thursday, March 18 from 6 to 8 p.m.

"Students experience taking their work all the way to the finished presentation," said Jean Janssen, art professor. "There's quite a thrill in that."

"Visitors to the exhibit will easily sense some to the pride, enthusiasm, humor, reverence and even pain that the students experience in their lives," said Chelise Slowik, assistant art professor.

The exhibit is sponsored by KCC's Visual Arts Department.

Note the following corrected gallery hours: 7:45 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays; and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays. From March 8 to 12, the gallery will close at 5 p.m.

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**Thanks-a-Gram**

The Employee Morale Committee is encouraging employees to use a longstanding device to take part in a new way of recognizing each other.

**Recent 'Thanks-a-Grams'**

To: Jamal Hawkins
From: Oshunda Carpenter Williams

I really appreciate your assistance and support. Helping take care of an emergency situation and making sure everything was fine well after the incident was above and beyond. You, sir, ROCK! It is nice to have co-workers who care enough to assist from beginning to end without hesitation. Thanks!
To: Harold Dotson  
From: Lisa Weaver  
Thank you for going out of your way to offer me assistance when I needed it Tuesday. I know you didn't think twice about it, but it is appreciated!

To: Carol Hubert  
From: Lisa Weaver and Oshunda Carpenter Williams  
Thank you so much for always going out of your way to take such good care of us! You seem to have an eye for lost or misplaced things and getting them to their rightful owner. We are lucky to have someone like you around!

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**Green flash sustainability message**  
Submitted by Rich Schultz, coordinator of Sustainability Center, sustainability & planning

All sorts of things can and should be recycled. It's the right thing to do.

In some cases, cash or other incentives may result from the effort. Contact these sites for more information about materials accepted and other conditions. Here are some recycling options available in this area. Be aware that other opportunities might also be offered!

**Conventional recyclables -- plastic, paper, glass, metal, etc.**

- Use your community's program  
- River Valley Recycling Scrap metals; accepts steel, copper, etc.  
- River Valley Recycling, 815-928-8400  
- Belson Steel Scrap, 815-932-7416

**Batteries**

- Interstate Batteries, 815-802-1083; in Bradley, takes all types  
- Radio Shack, 815-939-0091; takes certain types of rechargeables  
- Best Buy stores; takes certain types of rechargeables  
- Sears and Lowes, takes power tool batteries and some others

**Printer, toner and ink cartridges**

- Staples, 815-932-0705; has a rewards program  
- Office Max, 815-928-8804; has an incentive plan  
- Walgreens, 815-932-9615; will refill or recycle your ink cartridges

**Cell phones:**

- [www.cellforcash.com](http://www.cellforcash.com) and [www.gazelle.com](http://www.gazelle.com); has price quotes for your cell phone  
- Harbor House, 815-432-3500; accepts donations, call for details and locations

Miscellaneous

CDs and DVDs: Information and recyclers at www.cdrecyclingforfree.com; recycle CDs and DVDs for free.

- Pallets: Enterprise Pallets, 815-933-7114
- Prescription drugs: Take to a police station: Bradley, Bourbonnais, Kankakee, Grant Park, Aroma Park, Momence, St. Anne, Herscher, Manteno, Kankakee County Sheriff
- E-waste: Kankakee Public Works and Bradley Public Works. For details contact KRMA at 815-933-0444
- E-waste: Search the internet for other resources for e-waste recycling