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Newsletter

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Academics

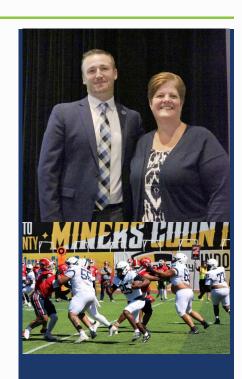
At the All College event, SCCC celebrated the 40th Anniversary of Registrar Solweig Dimino, who began in 1986 and holds one of the earliest student ID numbers, #3.

Dr. Mary Thompson visited Summit Camp (PA), a facility for children and young adults with neurological challenges. She presented "Your Next Steps" to high school campers on how community colleges support education and job training.

The Academic Affairs Team is developing 1+1 programs with Warren County CC, creating seamless pathways in fields such as Exercise Science.

Science Lab Coordinator, Mimely Little, met with the NJ School of Conservation to explore education and research collaborations; SCCC will join NJSOC's research charter with NJCU, Montclair, Princeton, and Rutgers.

Chemistry faculty member Christina Winters attended the SUNY Adirondack Science Conference



Athletics

Thank you to all who supported SCCC's first Appreciation Game at Skylands Stadium, where Board Chair Herb Yardley threw the first

on evidence-based teaching. With NSF support, she joined a national Community of Practice to improve chemistry student success and math-based problemsolving.

Dean Jason Fruge and Allied Health Supervisor Dr. Suzan Melik are researching a sonography A.A.S. program, engaging hospitals and providers. President Homer also met with the CEOs of Newton and Hackettstown Medical Centers, who expressed a strong interest in future healthcare partnerships.

Renowned evolutionary Princeton biologists, Drs. Peter and Rosemary Grant will visit SCCC on 11/11 to give a talk, answer questions, and meet with students, faculty, and staff.

On 10/17, SCCC and Warren CC will co-host the Agricultural Development Forum, 9:00 am-2:30 pm. Panels include Farmland as an Equity Hedge, Drone Innovation, Exporting Agriculture, the Equestrian Economy, and Vision 2035. Speakers include Ret. Senator Steve Oroho, Commissioner Jack DeGroot, and FFA State President Kathryn Giovanelli.

pitch.

Women's soccer moved to 5-0 with a win over Rowan College, capturing the inaugural NJ Women's Soccer Cup.

Men's soccer defeated Rowan College 2-0. Women's volleyball had their best performance of the season against Montgomery County CC, marking strong progress for the program.

Football hosted its firstever game at Skylands Stadium before an enthusiastic crowd. showcasing the spirit of players, cheerleaders, and community.



AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM







Finance & Facilities

Administration met with NJEDGE to discuss consortium purchases and strategic initiatives in AI and

cybersecurity.

Capital Projects remain on schedule: for the Public Safety Training Academy Defensive Tactics space in November, the Learning Commons in late December, Optics Technology Center in January and MTEC building in January.

Student Affairs & Campus Life

The College hosted its first Board of Trustees dinner, bringing together staff and faculty to provide attendees with an opportunity to connect.

The Veteran Advisory Board met on 9/17. David Haislip is supporting 74 students using VA benefits, while the group discussed a mentorship program, support survey, and the Nov. 5 student-veteran luncheon.



Enrollment & Community

- 62 Campus Tours: Welcoming prospective students and families.
- 1,527 Academic
 Appointments (656 Fall / 871
 Spring & Summer) one-on-one student support.
- 605 Career Coach Visits: connecting students to career resources.
- 39 Community Events:
 Enrollment Specialist Kate
 McCaw represented SCCC
 across the county.
- 81 High School Visits: including parent nights, lunchroom visits, and classroom visits.



The 2025 Funding Their Future event will take place at Perona Farms on 10/15. The Foundation will honor Al Dorso, President of Skylands Stadium, for his partnership with Skylanders Athletics at SCCC. <u>Tickets and sponsorships are available</u>.

The annual Scholarship Ceremony will be held on November 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC. So far, 140 students have received 145 scholarships totaling \$146,475 for 2025–26.



The Foundation received a \$15,000 Carolyn Jane Scott Charitable Trust grant to support a new lighting system in the Student Center Theater.

The Alumni Association Executive Board met in person on Sept. 9 to review bylaws, officer selection, and plans for a Fall alumni gathering.



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