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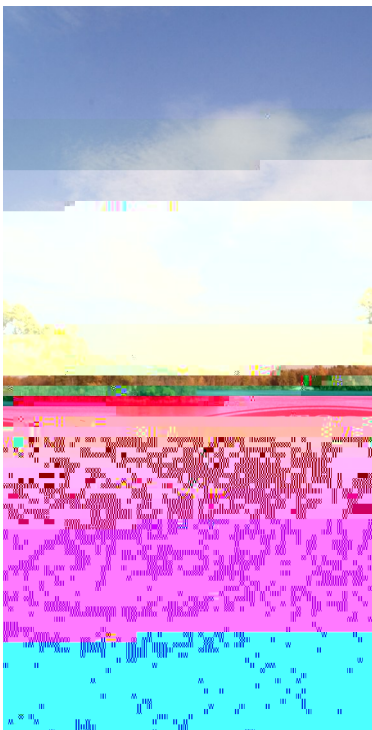
Jedediah Morfit Opens Solo Show at Philadelphia Sculpture Gym

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Gene Cranmer Retires from Computer Services after 35 Years

Stockton Presents Data to Community to Improve Youth Services



A film crew from Classroom Close-up, NJ came to Stockton recently to capture footage and interviews that show how Stockton's Service-Learning students are helping alumna Terry Dougherty tutor students from military families.

Dougherty, a teacher at Roland Rogers Elementary School in Galloway and winner of the 2011 Great American Teach-Off, established a free military tutoring service called "They Are Heroes Too." Education standards from state to state differ, and

military children who change schools frequently develop gaps in their learning. The tutoring service corrects this situation free of charge.

Dougherty, Dr. Claudine Keenan, dean of the School of Education, and Daniel Tome, assistant director of Service-Learning, were interviewed for the special, "Schools Supporting Soldiers Kids," which will air on NJTV on Dec. 15 and Dec. 21, 2013 and Jan. 19 and Jan. 25, 2014.

Classroom Close-up, NJ, a co-production of the New Jersey Education Association and NJTV, is an 11-time Emmy award-winning show that features innovative programs that take place in New Jersey's public schools.

As a mother, teacher and Coast Guard wife, Terry Dougherty understands the struggles that children from military families face when it comes to education, and she has the skills and expertise to help. As a Stockton graduate, she knew that she could get help here to expand and reach more students.

"I knew that Stockton College had a great reputation for community service," she said.

Dougherty and Daniel Tome didn't know each other, but when Dougherty asked for help, that changed fast.

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Gene Cranmer, a professional services specialist in the Office of Computer and Telecommunications Services, retired from Stockton after more than 35 years of state service.

Dr. Marissa Levy, associate professor of Criminal Justice, Megan McConaghy, Master of Arts in Criminal Justice student, Alex Marino, assistant to the provost for Atlantic City, and Dr. Israel Posner, executive director of the [Lloyd D. Levenson Institute of Gaming, Hospitality and Tourism](#), on July 25 gave the first public presentation of data and a description of a Municipal Planning Board, part of a project funded through the state Office of the Attorney General. Dr. Levy and Ms. McConaghy presented five-year education, census, and crime data for Atlantic City and Pleasantville.

Through viewing these data, community groups, law enforcement, and government officials who attended the presentation were able to grasp a better understanding of the issues in these two cities. Mr. Marino and Dr. Posner painted a picture of what a Municipal Planning Board (MPB) is: a group of stakeholders who come together to identify gaps in services and implement evidence-based programming to prevent youth violence and promote positive youth development.

The Atlantic City/Pleasantville MPB is the sixth of its kind in New Jersey. Other boards exist in Trenton, Vineland, Asbury Park, Camden, and Newark.

In addition to the individuals listed above, Dr. Reva Curry, executive director of Community Partnerships and Dr. Merydawilda Colon, professor of Social Work, have assisted in preparing to launch the new board. Gloria Hamlett, an undergraduate Social Work student, is completing her internship with one of the board's community partners, Coalition for a Safe Community. Shauna Friedman, a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice student, is working with Dr. Levy to create a map of Atlantic City and Pleasantville community services.

In September, the MPB will assemble for the first time. Stockton will act as a convener of the group, and will assist with stakeholder communication and progress. Through monthly meetings and continuous community collaboration, the Atlantic City/Pleasantville MPB will strive to create a positive change in the lives of youths residing in these cities, Dr. Levy explained.



We want to know about things going on in the Stockton community. Do you have an unusual hobby? Did one of your co-workers win an award or perform outstanding public service? Births, weddings, graduations and the like are all good things to submit to the *g c g f æ k*.

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