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STUDENT ENRICHMENT PROGRAM: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ASSISTANCE

TRACY MIKSELL-BRANCH, Retention Coordinator, will be presenting the "TEST ANXIETY AND STRESS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR" on November 18th in Conference Room 219, Building 1 at Mercy College from 3:30 - 4:30 PM.

TUTORING AVAILABLE

WRITING GROUP TUTORING

available with Sally VanderLinden

Tuesdays

8:00-9:30 AM, and
12 noon - 1 PM

Thursdays

12 noon - 1 PM, and
3:30 PM - 5 PM
Brennan Hall Commons

MATH/CHEMISTRY GROUP TUTORING

available with Glen Oren

Mondays

3-5 PM

Wednesdays

3-5 PM
Room: 123, Building #1

NURSING MEDICATION CALCULATION GROUP TUTORING

available with Nancy Tremmel

Mondays

4:30-5:30 PM

Tuesdays

4:30-5:30 PM
Room: 250, Building #2

NURSING TUTORING AVAILABLE

NURSING TUTORING

available with Karen Whitham

Friday, November 11th

12 noon - 3 PM

Tuesday, November 15th

3 PM - 5 PM

Tuesday, November 29th

3 PM - 5 PM

Thursday, December 1st

3 PM - 5 PM

Tuesday, December 6th

3 PM - 5 PM

Friday, December 9th

12 noon - 3 PM

Monday, December 12th

3 PM - 5 PM

Tuesday, December 13th

3 PM - 5 PM

All sessions located in Brennan
Hall Commons

EVENTS

November 7

Mercy College Blood Drive
10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. in Old Library
Schedule appointment online at
www.bloodcenterofiowa.org, click
on find a mobile drive, search by
Organization name and enter:
Mercy College. Contact Annie
Doose with questions,
adoose25@students.mchs.edu.

November 7-11

Registration week for Spring
Semester

November 8

Student Senate Meeting
Noon

November 10

Business After Hours Reception
for Des Moines Chamber of
Commerce
5:00 - 7:00 PM
Ribbon Cutting at 5:30 PM
Sullivan Center

November 14

Library Open House
4:00 PM

November 14

Late Registration for Spring
Semester Begins

November 18

Test Anxiety and Stress
Management Seminar
3:30 - 4:30 PM
Building 1, Rm. 219

November 23

Campus closes at 4:00 p.m. for
holiday

November 24-27

Thanksgiving recess

November 28

Spring Scholarship Application
Deadline. Turn in applications to
the Receptionist by 4:30 p.m.
Applications and Letters of
Recommendation Forms are
available on the College website
www.mchs.edu.

December 16

Last Day of Term

December 17-January 8

Christmas Break

DATATEL: A NEW ADMINISTRATIVE TOOL FOR THE RECRUITMENT AND ADMISSION PROCESSES

THE RECRUITMENT / ADMISSIONS MODULE

of Datatel launched Tuesday, November 1, 2005 with a whisper and not a bang; which was exactly the way it was planned.

Tuesday marked an important milestone in the project path towards full imple-

mentation of Datatel's Colleague application, a state-of-the-art administrative information system designed exclusively for higher-education environments. Mercy College of Health Sciences is in good company, along with nearly 600 other institutions, in selecting and implementing this cutting edge technology.

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COMBAT HUNGER AND SHOES THAT FIT: OPPORTUNITIES TO BRIGHTEN SOMEONE'S HOLIDAYS

OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, Mercy Medical Center will have two exceptional Mission on the Move opportunities—**COMBAT HUNGER** and **SHOES THAT FIT**. Both activities center on making the holidays a bit brighter for those in need.

OPPORTUNITY #1 - COMBAT HUNGER will be the first effort. Through this project, Mercy has partnered with The Des Moines Register, MTA, Dahl's Foods, the Iowa Motor Truck Association and STAR 102.5 to help the Food Bank of Iowa provide food for more than 270,000 Central Iowans who struggle to meet their needs.

There are a few ways that you can help with Combat Hunger.

HERE ARE THE OPTIONS:

- We will be collecting non-perishable food items beginning Monday, November 14. Our goal is to reach 20,000 pounds of food. Each food item donated equals one pound and every dollar donated equals two pounds. Items needed include: non-perishable foods (i.e. boxed meals, cold cereal, 100% fruit juice, any canned foods), paper products (i.e., paper towels, plates, toilet paper and tissues), diapers and baby wipes.
- Do you know your way around Mercy? If so, we need people who are willing to wheel around and collect food from the departments on 11/17 and 11/18. We will load donations on to trucks bound for the Food Bank.
- Do you prefer being out and about? We need volunteers to collect food at the 11 Dahl's locations on Thursday, November 17 and Friday, November 18. Shifts will be from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

To volunteer, contact Sarah Todd, PR & Marketing, at 643-8368 or stodd@mercydesmoines.org.

OPPORTUNITY #2 - SHOES THAT FIT

The Mercy Family has often gathered to assist families in crisis. This year, we will join with the community to identify elementary students in local schools with clothing needs.

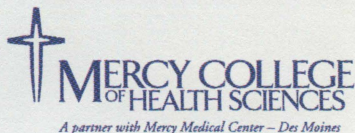
Last year, Shoes That Fit filled the needs of more than 6,200 children in 32 elementary schools. This year, Mercy is one of 14 area businesses that will participate in the fourth annual campaign.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

Mediacom, our fellow sponsor, has made their way to area schools collecting "needs cards" for children. These cards contain a description of the one needed clothing item, size, gender of child, and age. The "needs card" will be distributed to those who are interested in purchasing an item for that particular child.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- At Mercy's Central Campus, any Mercy employee or department interested in obtaining a child's "needs card" should stop by the PR & Marketing, A-Level, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. through Dec. 15. After fulfilling the card, items may be dropped off in PR/Marketing.
- Donations of money are always welcome. The checks can be made out to Shoes That Fit. All cash and checks can be returned to PR & Marketing by Dec. 15.



DATATEL: A NEW ADMINISTRATIVE TOOL FOR THE RECRUITMENT ADMISSION PROCESSES - CONTINUED

Looking to the future, this first step is an important milestone towards building web-based student and faculty self service and online curriculum management; as well as integrating and streamlining current processes allowing for better and faster workflow.

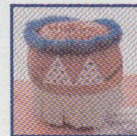
Careful planning and hard work has made the goal of a smooth, seamless transition a reality. You can be sure that the project teams will continue to work towards making the next milestones in the Datatel transition just as "quiet" and successful as we move toward implementing this powerful technology.

THE ROYAL COURT HAS RULED



THE RESULTS ARE IN...

Last week you may have noticed a display of decorated pumpkins in the Sullivan Center. Each college division decorated three pumpkins.



The contest had 3 categories: Most Scary, Most Creative and a Look-Alike Category.



Dr. Nies and Dr. Green, the Royal Court, made their ruling Friday, October 28.



THEIR DECISIONS

MOST SCARY

1st Place Nursing
2nd Place Allied Health



MOST CREATIVE

1st Place Nursing
2nd Place MCHS Staff



LOOK ALIKE

1st Place MCHS Staff
2nd Place Allied Health

