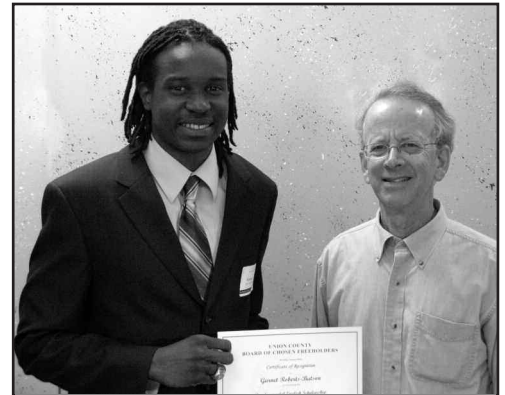


# About Union

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Spring 2010

A Newsletter for  
Alumni and Friends



## Students Say Thank You!

Union County College student scholarship recipients and their families filled the Victor M. Richel Student Commons on Tuesday, April 6th to meet the scholarship donors who made their dreams of a college education possible. Thanks to the generous support of UCC's donors, this year 669 scholarships were awarded.

Attendees were welcomed by UCC Interim President John R. Farrell, Jr, Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan, UCC Board of Trustees Chair Victor M. Richel, UCC Foundation Chair Carol Hertling, and UCC Foundation Executive Director James J. Masterson. As all 669 recipients'

names were read, students were able to personally thank the donors who helped them achieve success at UCC.

Information regarding how to become a scholarship donor may be obtained by contacting the UCC Foundation Office at (908) 709-7505



# Upcoming at UCC

## UCC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

All alumni are welcome!

Faculty/Staff Dining Room

Cranford Campus Center, Tuesdays, 7 PM

May 11, June 8 – End of the Year Reception & Installation



## The THEATER PROJECT, UNION COUNTY COLLEGE'S PROFESSIONAL THEATER COMPANY

### MANUSCRIPT by Paul Grellong

*“Three ambitious college freshman discover the unpublished manuscript of a famously reclusive – and recently deceased – author. Plagiarism is such an ugly word...”*

April 15 – May 2

### WHY TORTURE IS WRONG AND THE PEOPLE WHO LOVE THEM by Christopher Durang

*“Christopher Durang turns political humor upside down with this raucous and provocative satire about America's growing homeland insecurity.”*

July 8 – August 1

Thursday – Saturday 8 pm, Sunday 3 pm  
Roy W. Smith Theater, Cranford Campus

### PLAYWRIGHT'S DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP, May 8

Free Staged Readings, 3 PM  
Roy W. Smith Theater, Cranford Campus

www.brownpapertickets.com  
www.thetheaterproject.org  
(908) 659-5189



## TOMASULO ART GALLERY

Kenneth C. MacKay Library

M-Th 1-4 pm, Sat. 10 am – 1 pm, T-Th 6-9 pm

### April 22- May 5: Architecture Class Show

Prof. Dori Vicente

### May 14- June 24: Ellen Eagle:

solo show of exquisite and intimate pastel portraits.



## UCC FOUNDATION

17th Annual Evening at the Races – June 17

## Student Scholarship Reception Speaker: Excerpt from Speech

“It gives me immense pleasure to have been invited by the UCC Foundation to speak with you and to recognize the tremendous commitment and generosity of our benefactors... This is an important occasion to extend our appreciation and gratitude to these friends who demonstrate, through their giving, confidence in us to cultivate and develop our talents and interests during our time at UCC.


Amid an economy of increasing financial pressures and challenges, the Foundation and our benefactors are keenly aware of the difficult choices we and our families make; and provide us with the opportunity we need to continue our educational endeavors that might otherwise have been interrupted by the rigorous demands of life.

Receiving the Elizabeth I. Bielefeld Scholarship arrived at a critical moment and allowed me, upon enter-



Sheila Casey, Urban Studies major

ing my final year at UCC, to participate in the Honors Studies Program, as well as a course in Philosophy, both of which significantly impacted the way I perceive the world and my place in it, while augmenting the completion of my degree. It is with great excitement that I will graduate this semester in the company of many friends and classmates.

When we accept our scholarships we become part of an enduring legacy to promote and inspire academic dreams and aspirations. With [our benefactors'] gracious and timely support – our dreams become ever more possible.” 

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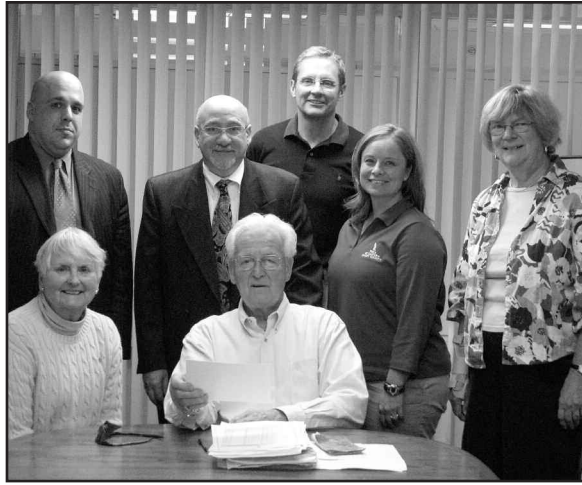
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# The Golf Tournament!



The 18th Annual Union County College Foundation Golf Tournament, sponsored by Wells Fargo, will take place on Monday, April 26th. This year, more than a hundred golfers will tee off at the beautiful Shackamaxon Golf & Country Club located in Scotch Plains, NJ. Thanks to the efforts of the Tournament Committee, chaired by J. Robert Hoeffler, Executive Director of the Cranford Chamber of Commerce, the proceeds raised will benefit UCC students through scholarships and programs. Posing after a Tournament Committee meeting are (l. to r, seated) Marylyn Luster Masia and Robert Hoeffler. Standing (l. to r.) are Daniel Murphy, James Masterson, James McCue, Melissa O'Neill Walczak and Barbara Bunting. Not pictured are Suzanne S. Covine, Prof. William E. Dunscombe, Jr., Dr. John Farrell, Jr, Prof. Marc Postiglione, and Charles Walter.

## UCC Foundation New Endowed & Annual Scholarships

- The Elizabeth M. Blatz Scholarship
- The Brown Family/Ralph Jimenez Memorial Scholarship
- Hertling/Nickell Family Scholarship
- The Hispanic Law Enforcement Association of Union County, Inc.
  - Plainfield Garden Club Scholarship
  - SGA Partnership for the Future Scholarship
  - Maria & Bruno (Bud) Ziolkowski Scholarship

## STEP INTO THE WINNERS' CIRCLE WITH THE UCC FOUNDATION!



Join the fun and excitement of the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual *Evening at the Races* at the Pegasus Restaurant high atop the Meadowlands Racetrack on **Thursday, June 17, 2010**. The buffet begins at 6:00 pm and continues throughout the event. The first race kicks off at 7:00 pm.

**Event Tickets** are \$90 per person (\$40 tax deductible).

**Your reservation includes** clubhouse admission, valet parking, hors d'oeuvres, a sumptuous gourmet dinner featuring carved roasts, pasta and dessert stations, a racing program, and a thank you memento for each guest. A cash bar is available.

### Sponsorship opportunities include:

**WIN** - Reserve 6 places at \$975  
\$675 tax deductible

**PLACE** - Reserve 4 places at \$475  
\$275 tax deductible

**SHOW** - Reserve 2 places at \$225  
\$125 tax deductible

### Races Ad Journal

1/6 Page (copy size 2" x 2") @ \$100

1/3 Page (copy size 4 1/2" x 2") @ \$175

2/3 Page (copy size 4 1/2" x 4 1/2") @ \$350

Full Page (copy size 4 1/2" x 7") @ \$500

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## Alum's passion for art becomes a new career

by Aline Avanzo

After 25 years of practicing health care law, attorney Theodosia A. Tamborlane '08 wanted to try something new. So in 2005, she decided to take art lessons and what was supposed to be only a hobby developed into a new career.

Theo's art teacher saw in her work a genuine gift and advised her to come to UCC. "When growing up and as an adult, I was never in an environment where art and painting were present... Art wasn't there," she said. At UCC, Theo found her passion as an artist, preferring to work on her art projects than her legal cases.


In 2008, Theo graduated from UCC with a degree in Fine Arts. Although she struggled for a long time to find the balance between her law career and her love of art, she now defines herself as a full-time artist that sometimes practices a little law. She has a studio in her home and spends most of her time painting and exhibiting her artwork in New York and New Jersey.

She usually works with oils on paper and canvas, but also has made some collages. One of her

most memorable compositions was entitled "Lifetimes," which represented three different lives. Each "Lifetime" is presented by a series of ten canvases; each canvas a possible decade of a person's life. Her intent was to invoke the feeling of movement from birth to death.

In the short time since she took up art, Theo has received wide-spread recognition and honors for her incredible talent. Her degree from UCC has brought her credibility as an artist and helped her succeed in the art world.

In addition to her careers as an artist and a lawyer, Theo has an active family life. She is a dedicated wife, mother of three, and proud grandmother to five grandchildren. Her biggest supporters, her family, are constantly amazed by her talent and how she developed it into a second career.

Theo's work was part of the Contemporary Art Group displayed at The Artist Framer Gallery from April 2nd to May 1st. Her art was also featured at the 2nd Annual Art Show to Stock the Food Pantry at JFS at the L&M Art Gallery in Elizabeth, NJ on Sunday, April 18th. 

## Where has SUCCESS taken you?

### Union County College wants to know: **Where has your degree taken you?**

Call or Email to tell us your story of SUCCESS after attending UCC. Selected individuals will be featured in the Cranford Campus Students Commons as part of the Alumni of the Month Program for all our students to see. They will also be highlighted in the About Union newsletter, the UCC website, and possibly a future ad campaign. All Alumni of the Month will receive an honorary one year membership to the UCC Alumni Association.

**Help show our students the power of a UCC education!** Call (908) 709-7066 or email [guerin@ucc.edu](mailto:guerin@ucc.edu) to participate.

## About Alumni

- **Fred Busler '84**, Bridgewater, NJ gave a presentation on retirement income as part of the "New Year, New Objectives" panel discussion on Jan. 13th at Raritan Valley Community College. He is a certified public accountant and Vice President of Financial Services at Magyar Financial.
- **Virginia Perez-Santalla '91**, of Mountainside, NJ was re-elected Secretary of the American Translators Association, the nation's largest professional organization for translators and interpreters. She currently works as a freelance professional interpreter and translator.
- **Linda McQuilla-Jones, M.Ed., Ed.S. '93**, of Roselle, NJ facilitated a seminar on "The Importance of Mammograms

and Breast Cancer Issues for Older Women" for National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The seminar was held at a breakfast in the Boynton Café at the Westfield Senior Citizen Housing, sponsored through the Congregate and Recreational Services in October 2009.

- **Isabella Scocozza '96**, Linden, NJ has been a Vice-Principal and Program Director for Soehl Middle School in Linden for the past five years. She wrote a 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant that awarded the Linden Public School District over 2.5 million dollars for after-school programming.
- **Nicole Stokes '05**, Plainfield, NJ will complete her BA in Early Childhood Education and Psychology in December

2010 from Kean University. She is currently working as a teacher's assistant.

- **Ijeoma Opara '07**, of Roselle, NJ earned a BA in Psychology in May 2009 from New Jersey City University. She graduated Magna Cum Laude. She is now a first year graduate student at New York Medical College, pursuing a Master of Public Health degree in Epidemiology.

### IN MEMORIAM

**Dr. Thomas E. Dooley '42**  
January 2010, Cranford, NJ

### Is your UCC diploma sitting around gathering dust?

Display your achievement with pride in a high-quality polished gold, walnut, Briarwood, or Italian wood frame from the Alumni Association.

Frames come with red and gold matting embossed with the UCC seal in gold foil.

**Prices start at just \$44.95.**

Visit the website [www.uccfoundation.org/alumniassociation.htm](http://www.uccfoundation.org/alumniassociation.htm) or call (908) 709-7066 for more information.



- In conjunction with Black History Month, **Prof. Larry Hogan** of the Economics/Government/History Department, presented, "Take Me Out to the Ballgame: Negro League Baseball at Yankee Stadium, 1930-1948". Prof. Hogan discussed the legacy of Negro League baseball and included a video and an exhibit of memorabilia from 1930 through 1948, including material from the League's historic first game played at Yankee Stadium on July 5, 1930.
- **Prof. Bill Lipkin** of the Economics/Government/History Department has been elected to the position of Treasurer of the recently formed national organization, New Faculty Majority (NFM). The purpose of NFM is to promote the work and efforts of over 900,000 contingent faculty in the United States. Lipkin, who has been named one of the four national spokespeople for the Organization, has already given presentations at several conferences and has been active in Trenton promoting the goals of NFM.
- **Dr. Denise Lagos**, of the Institute for Intensive English and advisor to The Foreign Student Voice literary publication was the recipient of the 2009 MarCom Creative Awards, an international awards competition that recognizes outstanding achievement by marketing and communication practitioners. This is the third such award that The Foreign Student Voice has received, as it was also recognized in 2005 and 2007.
- **Prof. Jennifer McCarthy**, Associate Professor and Director of the Paramedic Program, held a simulation session for the Emergency Physician Residents from Saint Joseph's Medical Center. The session was developed to offer teams of medical residents the opportunity to handle difficult patient cases.
- **Prof. Michael Z Murphy** of the English/Fine Arts/Modern Languages Department directed the debut production of "Mexican Night" by S.W.

Senek on February 20, 2010. "Mexican Night" is part of The Theater Project's "Opening Nights on Saturday Afternoons" Program dedicated to developing playwrights. The play was held in the Victor M. Richel Commons on the Cranford campus.

- **Marianne Schubert, MSN-ED, RN, CEN, MICP**, Coordinator of the Nursing Skills and Simulation Laboratory for the Practical Nursing Program on the Plainfield campus, completed her MS in Nursing in Health Care Education with honors from the University of Phoenix.
- **Dr. Cindy Singer** participated in McGraw-Hill's Principles of Management Symposium entitled, "The Changing Face of Management Education." The symposium addressed "Student Performance, Accountability and Assessment - Latest Technology" as it relates to management education.
- **Dr. Wallace Smith**, Vice President for Academic Affairs, has been named a recipient of the prestigious Administrator Award of Distinction by Phi Theta Kappa. College Administrators (Vice Presidents, Deans, etc.), nominated by Phi Theta Kappa chapters, are selected for this award based on outstanding support provided Phi Theta Kappa over the years.
- **Prof. Robert Yoskowitz** of the English/Fine Arts/Modern Languages Department, had an exhibit of drawings called, "Making Marks: Drawings from the Yoskowitz Family Collection" on display at Kean University's Karl and Helen Burger Art Gallery.

### IN MEMORIAM

**Prof. James Newman**  
Physics/Engineering/Technologies Department  
February 2010. Piscataway, NJ

### RENOWNED ARTIST AND PHOTOGRAPHER LECTURES AT UCC

On Tuesday, March 9th world-renowned artist and photographer Gregory Crewdson presented a Visiting Artist multimedia lecture in the Roy Smith Theater. The presentation focused on Crewdson's beautiful photographs and his distinguished career as an artist. His acclaimed photographic work has been exhibited in many prestigious galleries and prominent collections throughout the world.

### UCC CELEBRATES FREDERICK DOUGLAS

The College hosted the 7th Annual Frederick Douglass Birthday Celebration as part of UCC's celebration of Black History Month. The day began with a lecture by a renowned scholar of slavery, Dr. Peter Kolchin, Professor of History at the University of Delaware. Then UCC students participated in the 21st National African American Read In. The day ended with the Annual Dolores Collins Benjamin Memorial Concert with the Newark Boys Choir and the North Jersey Philharmonic Glee Club.

### RADIOGRAPHY PROGRAM SENIORS WIN STUDENT BEE

Students from the Muhlenberg Snyder Schools of Medical Imaging and Therapeutic Sciences participated in the Emma Wolfe Memorial Student Bee at the annual conference of the New Jersey Society of Radiologic Technologists in Atlantic City this February. Amy Bowe-Bianculli, topped the group of 120 students with the first place finish and Julie Cook closely followed finishing in third place.

### UCC BASEBALL PLAYER RECEIVES AWARD

Steve Tansey, second baseman for the UCC Baseball team, was awarded the 2009 Collegiate Rawlings Gold Glove Award for being the "Finest in the Field". The Rawlings Gold Glove Award is given to players based on their fielding skills and contribution to the game of baseball. 


# UCC Provided Assistance Haitian Family Resource Center

In February, the New Jersey Department of Human Services opened the "New Jersey Haitian Family Resource Center" on the lower level of the Sidney Lessner Building of Union County College's Elizabeth campus. The Resource Center provided vital services for the members of the Haitian community affected by the earthquake that devastated Port-au-Prince on January 12. The City of Elizabeth is home to a large Haitian community and the campus was easily accessible, by public transportation.

"The College has been actively working to support our Haitian students and the members of the New Jersey Haitian community. When the Union County and State officials approached the College about establishing the Resource Center on our Elizabeth campus, we knew it was the next step in providing support to those in need," said Victor M. Richel, Chair of the UCC Board of Trustees.

At the Center, a number of support services were available to the Haitian-Americans and Haitian nationals living in New Jersey, including: interpretation services; assistance with immigration-related issues; family assistance applications; access to telephones and computers to obtain more information about those in their homeland; child custody matters; legal information; and grief counseling.

"The College was happy to provide its facility to those agencies that continue to assist Haitian families in the aftermath of this tragedy in their homeland," said Dr. John R. Farrell, Jr., Interim President of Union County College. "Approximately 550 people were helped."

The Resource Center was staffed by a wide range of State, Union County, and other agencies that had access to vital and reliable information. State, city and local agencies that provided support included: NJ Department of Human Services Office of Emergency Management, NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, NJ Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, American Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Management section of the New Jersey State Police Homeland Security Branch, Union County Department of Human Services, NJ Department of Children and Family Services, U.S. Citizens and Immigration Services, the faith-based community and NJ4Haiti. 

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## Lady Owls are Conference Champs!

For the fourth year in a row, the Lady Owls Basketball Team won the Garden State Athletic Conference (GSAC) Championship and set a new record in the women's basketball program for Union County College. The Lady Owls beat Burlington County College with a final score of 86-83. The Lady Owls have a record of 12-9 overall, are 10-6 in the region, and have a record of 8-2 in the conference, which clinched them the Conference Championship.

Coach Cheryl Bell was named the GSAC Coach of the Year and Assistant Coaches Marbely Montas and Tracey Napoleon were named the GSAC Coaching Staff of the Year. Players, Kendra Johnson and Lori Nieves were both named to the All Region Team and the First Team All GSAC. 



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Your gift to the *Shaping Our Future* annual fund will help UCC students, and earn you recognition on the *Tree of Education*. Thank you!





Dr. Brown and Camille Cormier show off an original Union Junior College pennant from the archive collection.

## Dr. Brown Establishes UCC Historical Archive

When Dr. Thomas H. Brown went on sabbatical in January after 20 years of serving as President of UCC, he took on the challenge of establishing the College's first historical archive. "As a historian, I know how important documents are to learning about our history. The archive will be a valuable research tool for both for the faculty and the students," said Dr. Brown.

With the completion of the Elizabeth I. Kellogg Building in Elizabeth and departments relocating to the new building, space was finally available on the Cranford Campus to house the archival collection. Dr. Brown, funding the project himself, retrofitted part of the Foundation House to be the new home of the UCC Archive.

Over the past five months, he, with the help his assistant, Camille Cormier, has sorted through millions of pages of documents, newspaper and magazine articles, books and catalogs, as well as memorabilia from the founding of Union County Junior College in 1933 to today. All of the historical material has to be cataloged and organized so that it can be easily accessed in the future.

Eventually the archive will be open to the public (by appointment). Visitors will be able to view memorabilia on display, including an original Ucey Juicy cheerleading uniform from the 1950's, yearbooks going back to the 1940's and photographs from the College's 76 year history.

Dr. Brown will also be using the archival material to complete a book about the last 20 years at UCC. During that time period, the College grew over 60 percent, underwent \$120 million in capital construction and evolved from a suburban based school to an urban school.

If you would like to get involved in the UCC Archive project, please contact the Foundation at (908) 709-7505 or Guerin@ucc.edu. We are looking for donations of memorabilia from Union County Junior College, Union Junior College, Union College, Union County Technical Institute, or Union County College. We also need assistance in identifying students, faculty and staff in old photographs.

## Keep In Touch

### Join your UCC Alumni Association!

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- Bookstore Discount • Holiday Party
- UCC Fitness Center at Low Alumni Rate

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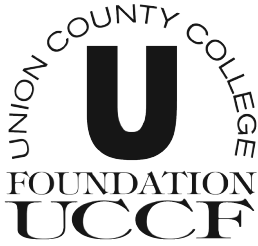
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