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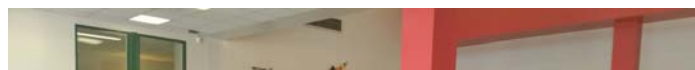


Continuing Education Around the State

CEANY Regional Conferences a Success!

CEANY's state-wide regional conferences were a great success! On Thursday May 7th, 2015 members throughout the state joined each other for networking and learning. Check out the below recaps to see what your fellow CEANY members experienced in each region!

Region South: The scene at the Poolside Café at



LaGuardia Community College was buzzing with excitement as over 80 CEANY members and guests attended the Region South Conference.

With dynamic presentations from Stacie Evans of the Mayor's Office of Workforce Development on the Career Pathways report, and Robert Lawrence Friedman's stress-reducing seminar, the conference was a huge success filled with robust discussion, rich exchange of ideas and exciting bursts of kung-fu like shouts that piqued the interests of many passers-by as we learned new techniques to manage our stress. Never a dull moment in the world of continuing education!

Region East: On May 7, 2015 CEANY East Region held their annual regional meeting at Schenectady County Community College in Schenectady, NY. The east region was represented by 7 institutions from the perimeter of the east region including Schenectady County Community College, Mohawk Valley Community College, Herkimer College, Orange County Community College, SUNY Adirondack, SUNY Polytechnic Institute and SUNY Delhi.

A highly interactive keynote address was given by Dr. Deborah Tyksinski, Associate Provost SUNY Polytechnic Institute, entitled "Positioning Continuing Education within the Institution". The attendees participated in a CEANY "webinar" on "Assessment 101", an interactive discussion of institutional effectiveness assessment.



Region West: The College at Brockport MetroCenter in Rochester, NY served as host to the Region West Annual meeting on Thursday, May 7. Twenty CEANY Region West members attended to discuss and share ideas, programming and happenings at various campuses. The group welcomed Ms. Frances Dearing, Director of Accountability and Assessment at the College at Brockport, State University of New York, as she presented "Assessment 101" as part of CEANY's Brown Bag Webinars. The day concluded with more program sharing and a reminder to keep the dialog and ideas coming via the CEANY listserv and attendance at the 2015 conference in Saratoga!



Long-Time CEANY Member Named Founding Dean



Dr. Deborah Tyksinski, a long time CEANY member and leader, and currently Associate Provost at SUNY Poly, has been named the Founding Dean of Villanova's new School of Professional Studies. Deb also worked in Continuing Education / Workforce Development at Mohawk Valley Community College (MVCC).

At CEANY Deborah served as member of the board of directors as well as on various committees for membership, program development, professional development and strategic planning. Let's pass on big CEANY congratulations for her great accomplishment!

Collaborations Benefit Continuing Ed, SUNY, & Employers

With limited resources, continuing education departments creatively do more with less. By collaborating, we can each effectively increase our capacity without major investments!

Dutchess, Orange, Schenectady and Sullivan County Community College have successfully collaborated to offer training programs to a New York State employer that has locations throughout the state. Shop Rite Supermarkets, Inc. (SRS) wanted a training series that could be replicated in many locations, and based on our initial success, the four colleges and the employer are now implementing the second round of Supervisory and Technical Skills training for its associates.



Nominate a Deserving Candidate for an annual CEANY Award!

CEANY awards recognize exemplary continuing education programs and industry collaborations and celebrates the work of outstanding colleagues in the field. We also award scholarships to Outstanding Adult Students in each Region and Statewide!

The deadline for nominations is Friday October 19, 2015. CEANY award recipients will be acknowledged at the 2015 Annual CEANY Conference in Saratoga Springs, NY on November 12, 2015.

Please take a moment to nominate a deserving recipient. Recognize your programs, colleagues and students that have persevered and succeeded in continuing their education. Go to <http://www.ceany.org/ceanyawards/>!

Mohawk Valley Community College Hosts Training Course in Unmanned Aerial Systems/Drones

Carolyn DeJohn, Mohawk Valley Community College (MVCC)

www.mvcc.edu/cced

In January of 2015, Mohawk Valley Community College (MVCC) in Utica, NY become one of the first colleges in Upstate New York to offer a non-credit program in Unmanned Aerial Systems/Drones. For the first offering MVCC was pleased to welcome a full class, at 18 participants. The class had previously been offered at Monroe County Community College as well.

This 18 hour non-credit training was open to the community and geared toward those interested in flying for personal pleasure or for those wanting to understand what's going to be required of a commercial operator or leading to a job. The training not only covered learning to fly, but multiple types of flight systems from multi-rotors, fixed-wing, and includes autonomous flight. Participants learned how to make educated decisions on what flight systems to use, as well as all the knowledge necessary for safe flight and potentially a career. Each student

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received a small quadcopter and flight simulator software as a part of the registration. This training was offered in partnership with SkyOp (<http://www.skyop.com/>).



The course concluded with a “Top Gun” Flying Competition, where participants flew their drones through obstacle courses, competing to be the top flyer. At this event, local media was invited and therefore the event was covered widely in print, TV, and radio.

This course is the first step for MVCC, which has additional related programs in the works, both credit and non-credit. In the future, MVCC will offer a credit program in UAS repair as a part of their existing Airframe and Power Plant program, and will also offer additional non-credit programs for more targeted groups, including the various members of public safety. SkyOp CEO and lead instructor Brian Pitre says drones are going to change our world starting right here at the local level. Drones are already being used at construction sites to get a better, safer look at the work from above. "The jobs are going to be exploding in the very, very near term as we receive additional information from the FAA on how commercial applications are going to work." said Pitre. "I've been in the technology business all my life and this is sort of the next big thing."

Interested in becoming more involved?

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Interested in volunteering your time for CEANY?

We have various ways for you to become more involved and join in the fun!

Contact CEANY President, Martha Hubbard at info@ceany.org

SAVE THE DATE



Annual

Conference

Get on the Right Track with CEANY: Training to Win, Beating the Odds, Racing Toward the Future

November 11-13th 2015
Saratoga Springs, NY

Join us as we explore what is new in the field of continuing education, make lasting connections with colleagues, and develop both personally and professionally. There will be something for everyone! New this year: a Pre-Conference session on Emotional Efficacy, Conflict Resolution, and Communication presented by David Katz of Mohawk Valley Community College.

Also, if you have an idea for a session, or would like to present on a hot topic to your peers, please contact Carolyn DeJohn at cdejohn@mvcc.edu.

For more information, visit the conference page [here!](#)

Don't miss out on this year's conference, it's sure to be great!

We look forward to seeing you in the fall!

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