ASC Career Day 2013

The ASC was proud to host an event for current members and graduates focusing on their future careers. On March 21st, many professionals gathered to share their experiences and knowledge of their fields with the ASC students. Career Day 2013 began with three twenty-minute round table discussions. The ASC students were given opportunities to sit with representatives from Education, Business and Sales, Web Development/Technology, Criminal Justice, Behavioral Health Nursing, Internships and Career Coaching. The keynote presenter was The Honorable Judge Rini, newly elected Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court Judge; however she also was able to speak individually with our students who are interested in pursuing careers in law. It was a great networking event and we’d like to thank everyone involved who contributed to its success.

INTERNSHIPS
The following students completed an internship during the 2012-2013 school year:
- AMANDA AUGUSTA // Nursing Practicum at The Cleveland Clinic
- CHRIS BASTIJANIC // The Kelvin Smith Library at Case Western Reserve University
- BILLY BAUZA // Notre Dame College Web Development Team
- DALISA DELK // Nursing Practicum at University Hospital
- SARAH DEROSE // Student Teaching at Pinnacle Academy
- KEITH DREWINSKI // Lebanon High School Football Team
- MYRA GOWICK // Monarch School for Autism
- ERICA GREGORY // Student Teaching at Keystone Elementary
- DAN KOZLOWSKI // Notre Dame College Campus Security Office
- KAITLYN O’CONNOR // Mentor Police Department
- JOE SABAL // The City of South Euclid
- JEFFREY VOLOISIN // Beach Cities Water Polo Club

In the Spotlight … Professor Jacqi Loewy

PROFESSOR JACQUI LOEWY, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF THEATRE AND COMMUNICATION AND DIRECTOR OF THEATRE, joined the faculty of Notre Dame College in Fall of 2009. With a BFA in Musical Theatre and an MA in Directing, Professor Loewy brings a rich free-lance career in directing, acting, and playwriting. While actively directing and acting with professionals, the past few years have brought her commissions for writing socially relevant plays. Her classroom repertoire of courses includes Elements of Speech, Acting and Directing, Event and Play Production, and Film Study.

Notre Dame College felt good to Professor Loewy upon arrival and she continues to feel like she can make a difference here. She loves introducing theatre to novices not experienced in the lifestyle that she has enjoyed. Students who are not theatre majors are particular delights as she learns a multitude of things through them. Her extensive connections have opened wonderful opportunities for Notre Dame College; e.g., Mercury Summer Stock, Cleveland Shakespeare Festival, The Musical Theatre Project and Ensemble Theatre.

Professor Loewy loves helping people, especially our students. Her frequent contact with ASC students in the classroom and stage productions has demonstrated that ASC students are “earnest, have a great work ethic, aren’t afraid to ask for help, and try for a healthy balance in their lives strengthened through their support network.” Through theatre work she especially feels she gets to know students as individuals, observes their generous spirit, and the way students support each other. Professor Loewy’s life experience is a wonderful example of her advice to students: “Follow your dreams and passions. Don’t take ‘no’ for an answer. Keep asking questions.”

Read and Write Gold Staff Workshop

On March 4, Jim Sullivan from TextHelp came to the ASC to demonstrate all of the new features of Read and Write Gold. Ten ASC staff members came in for the workshop and discovered many new and improved features that they can use with students to enhance their learning experiences. Not only does Read and Write Gold adapt written text and transforms it into audio format, it also helps students do research, edit their own papers and allows them to become more independent learners. Read and Write Gold is portable and available on any Mac or PC computer, iPad, or iPhone with the new web applications.

In Early Childhood Education and attainment her endorsements for reading specialty and 4th and 5th grade education. Kimberly decided to work in the field of education because she enjoys helping others achieve their goals and has a passion for learning. Kimberly recently was a Title I reading and math teacher at Woodland Academy in Cleveland, along with a school-age summer camp advisor in Lakewood. She enjoys reading, traveling to new places, and spending time with her family and friends.

JESSICA KALUGA is the new office manager of the Academic Support Center. She is a graduate of Ursuline College where she received her Bachelor’s degree in Mathematics and teaching licensure in Middle Childhood Education. Jessica is currently completing her Master of Arts for Teaching Mathematics degree at Bowling Green State University where she was a teaching assistant. Jessica worked as an Instructional Advisor in the ASC and as a Title I math teacher at Woodland Academy in Cleveland before obtaining the office manager position. In her spare time, she enjoys hiking, fishing, and spending time with her family and friends.

KIMBERLY THOMSON is an Instructional Advisor in the Academic Support Center. She is a graduate of Ashland University where she received her Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education and attained her endorsement for reading specialty and 4th and 5th grade education. Kimberly decided to work in the field of education because she enjoys helping others achieve their goals and has a passion for learning. Kimberly recently was a Title I reading and math teacher at Woodland Academy in Cleveland, along with a school-age summer camp advisor in Lakewood. She enjoys reading, traveling to new places, and spending time with her family and friends.
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Pi International Honor Society which allows students to be nationally recognized for their high academic achievements and their stance on self-advocacy and disability related issues. Dalisa credits the ASC for giving her a “safe haven” which helped her embrace her own learning differences. While the rigor of her nursing classes and her off-campus work schedule have made it difficult to make full use of the services of the Center, books in audio format and using a tape recorder in class continue to be a great support. Dalisa has worked as a Nursing Assistant (NA) at University Hospital for the past four years. “Nursing is my calling—my purpose in life,” she affirms and while she loves patient care, she feels called to active involvement in advocacy for patients and nurses. She hopes to serve in hospital administration, perhaps even as a Chief Nursing Officer. When asked what advice she would share from her own experience at Notre Dame College, Dalisa said: “Time management is huge—I learned that the hard way! Have great expectations and do what you have to do to reach them.” Your deep commitment to your profession, Dalisa, will take you far!

Important Dates to Remember...

Events

APRIL 19
ASC Recognition Day

APRIL 22-26 (ONLINE)
Graduation

APRIL 29-MAY 2 (IN CLASS)
Finals

MAY 5
Graduation

MAY 6 – JUNE 30
Summer Session I

JULY 1 – AUGUST 25
Summer Session II

JUNE 24-28 OR JULY 22-26
Summer Spring Board

From the Desk of Gretchen Walsh

Spring semester 2013 is flying by with a flurry of activities. In March, we had the induction of our new members and the election of the officers for 2013-2014 into Delta Alpha Pi International Honor Society. This was truly a wonderful celebration of our highest achievers. Our annual Career Day was also held in March. Leaders in the fields of education, medicine, law, technology, and human resources shared their expertise with our students in table talk discussions. This past month, our students registered for summer classes and also for fall, 2013. If anyone has not registered, please see me and I will help you to register. This summer in addition to our individualized tutoring, we are also again offering our study skills class, Summer Springboard to Success. Please feel free to invite any recent graduates to join us for a great summer experience. For our ASC students, we will also be offering remediation in both math and reading. Again, if you are interested, please let me know.

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ESSENTIAL SOCIAL SKILLS
- Introducing yourself
- Waiting your turn
- Accepting “no” for an answer
- Interrupting appropriately
- Joining a group/ conversation
- Can appropriately plan a leisure activity
- Keep a schedule for and of desired events

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Congratulations to all of our graduates and remember that you will always be a part of Notre Dame College and the ASC.

- Amanda Augusta
- Ian Barrington
- Billy Bauza
- Ralph D’Alessio
- DaLisa Delk
- Sarah DeRose
- Blake Eckley
- Erica Gregory
- Kathleen O’Connor
- Ryan Phillips
- Brianne Schmansky
- Jeffrey Volosin

“We must each carry our own cross...we merely determine where you start.” ~Nido Qubein

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