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**Special points of interest:**

Saturday, December 6, Wreaths Across America have scheduled their annual kick off event at WCCC. More information to follow

Mark Your Calendar: Student Holiday Banquet is scheduled for December 17, 2014.

The college is closing on Wednesday, November 26 at 12Noon and will remain closed Thursday and Friday the 27th and 28th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

**“Thank you” Breakfast Buffet**

A message from Rose Binda— Dear Friends and Colleagues, at this busy time of the year it may be nice to take a small break in our day and give some thanks for those daily kindnesses which we seemingly take for granted. So I very much hope you will join us Tuesday, November 25 at the faculty sponsored "Thank You" Breakfast, which will take place from 8:30 to 10:30 AM in the Employee/Staff lounge. Please come by to send thank you notes to your colleagues and to enjoy some cider, sweets, and socializing.

For every person who fills out and signs a card at the event, the faculty will make a donation to the WCCC food bank. We'll also have a box standing by if you wish to donate canned goods or hygiene products. Just by coming by, you will help someone! We look forward to seeing you there.

**Welcome to WCCC's new Academic Dean, Alexander Clifford**



On Friday, November 14th President Cassidy was pleased to announce that Alex Clifford will be joining Washington County Community College as WCCC's new Academic Dean. Dean Clifford brings to WCCC an eclectic set of experiences. He has, among other things, served as an Instructor at KVCC, President of the KVCC Faculty Association, an adjunct Professor at Thomas College, program coordinator for KVCC for the TAACCCT-III grant, President of the Maine Association of Accounting Professors, Sergeant Major with the Maine National Guard, and as a small business owner in central Maine. Alex is expected to complete his PhD degree next year in Leadership and Organizational Change, through Walden University.

Those who have worked with Alex at KVCC and in the Maine National Guard have high praise for his abilities, his supportive demeanor, and his creativity. I look forward to learning a lot from Alex, and I know he looks forward to learning a lot from all of us. Alex will join WCCC in mid-December and will have a full time presence here at our campus after the

“The Drafting & CAD Program at the Washington County Community College was the beneficiary of a 3D printer for demonstration use for the past two weeks. Three D printing is an up and coming technology used to create plastic parts for mechanical assemblies and for “rapid prototyping.” This process enables a designer to use a CAD (Computer Aided Drafting) software program to create a part in three dimensions whose file can then be sent to the 3D printer. The 3D printer extrudes fine layers of plastic in what’s known as an “additive” process that builds the layers into the final product.

Students in Mr. McCormick’s Drafting & CAD classes and students from Mr. Duffy’s Calais High School Technology Education classes created many 3D CAD models which have kept the printer operating consistently and sometimes even in overnight long run prints. All of the students and instructors involved have exhibited high levels of amazement and excitement for this opportunity to use such advanced technological equipment.





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Reminder that every Tuesday at 10a.m. in Apartment 4 of Quoddy Hall is the Veterans Support Group

Don't forget to complete your mandatory online safety training. If you need assistance, please see Robyn Leighton.

## STORYTIME COMES TO WCCC!

On Tuesday, November 18th, fifteen children from the neighborhood child-care center visited the WCCC Library with their teachers and several Early Childhood Education (ECE) students from the college. While the children were treated to a storytelling session, the ECE students had a chance to observe the behavior and responses of the children.

The children listened to the story "The Tiny Seed" by Eric Carle and read by the Program Director and Instructor for WCCC's Early Childhood Education, Linda Levesque. Following the reading, the children participated in a narrative mime set to music led by WCCC's Director of Library and Learning Resources, Elizabeth Phillips. Every child received a gift bag with a smaller sized version of the "The Tiny Seed". It was the first time the library has collaborated with the ECE department on such a project, and there are plans for more in the future.

