Student Scholarship
The 2016 Garfinkel Essay Contest of the Historical Society of the New York Courts is open to students from all academic disciplines enrolled in CUNY and SUNY community colleges during fall 2015 and/or spring 2016. The topic of the essay is “You, the Juror: What Role Does Jury Service Play in Our Democracy?” Six prizes will be awarded to the top three submissions from both the CUNY and SUNY systems. These are comprised of two 1st prize awards of $1,500, two 2nd prize awards of $1,000 and two 3rd Prize awards of $500. The SUNY and CUNY prizes will be awarded independently of each other. Visit http://bit.do/garfinkel for questions rules and tips to write a winning essay. The final deadline for submissions is midnight on Friday, April 1, 2016.

Black History Month Film Festival:
“Eyes on the Prize: Vol. II
Wednesday, February 17, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., in North Hall and Library [NL], Room 210
The BCC Library Department presents its first Film Festival for Black History Month. In honor of this milestone, we will be showing films related to the history of African-Americans across the canvas of America. “Eyes on the Prize: Vol. II: Fighting Back” (1957-1962) follows the struggle for equality from the schoolroom to the courtroom and back as blacks reject the existing system of “separate but equal” education. In 1954, the Supreme Court also rejects the system with its historic Brown v. Board of Education decision. The legal battle won, in 1957 nine black teenagers dare to integrate Little Rock’s Central High School. In 1962, a resolute James Meredith enrolls at the University of Mississippi. Students, parents, and lawyers unite to guarantee a better education and a better future for their children.

CTLTT Faculty Workshops
The Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology is offering faculty workshops in the Center for Teaching Excellence, Philosophy Hall [PH], Room BO2. This week’s workshops are:
Tuesday, February 16, 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Blackboard Tests and Pool Manager*
Wednesday, February 17, 2 - 3 p.m. (Faculty and Staff)
Scranton: Get Results
To attend a workshop, please register online at https://www.bcc.cuny.edu/InstructionalTechnology/workshops/. *To attend Blackboard workshops, participants must have working CUNY Portal accounts.

Photography Exhibit
Thursday, February 18 through Friday, February 26, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., in Bliss Hall of Fame Art Gallery [BL]
Don’t miss this exciting exhibition of photographs by BCC librarian David Koenigstein, “The Libraries at University Heights Campus - a Photographic History.” The exhibition consists of four parts: It’s No Accident: Influences upon the building of North Hall and Library; a slide presentation of the step-by-step construction of North Hall and Library; a chronology of the three libraries at University Heights: Gould Memorial Library of NYU, Meister Library and Learning Resources Center at BCC and the present library at North Hall; and a before and after view of nine major themes in the construction of North Hall and Library. There will be an artist’s reception on Thursday, February 18, from 12 - 2 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Theater Workshop Auditions
Thursday, February 18, 12 - 1 p.m., in Colston Hall [CO], Room 707
Have you ever wanted to be on stage? Then come audition for the school play and meet members of the Theater Workshop Club. For more information, please email john.socas@bcc.cuny.edu.

Film: “James Baldwin: The Price of the Ticket”
Thursday, February 18, 12 - 1:30 p.m., in Brown Center [BC], Room 211
The Rainbow Alliance celebrates Black History Month with a viewing of the documentary on the life of James Baldwin. The life, works and beliefs of the late writer and civil rights activist are recounted: what it is to be born black, impoverished, gifted and gay in a world that has yet to understand that “all men are brothers.” James Baldwin tells his own story in this emotional portrait. Using rarely-seen archival footage from nine different countries, the film melds intimate interviews and eloquent public speeches with cinéma vérité glimpses of Baldwin and original scenes from his extraordinary funeral service in December 1987. His close friends and colleagues illuminate the narrative, among them writers Maya Angelou, Amiri Baraka and William Styron, plus entertainer Bobby Short. OCD credit is available for this event.
2016 Spring Transfer Fair
Thursday, March 3, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., in Colston Hall [CO], Lower Level
Are you interested in transferring after graduation, but aren’t sure of what steps you need to take? Explore your options at the 2016 Transfer Fair! Sponsored by the Office of Career, Transfer and Job Placement Services.

What is the Learning Commons?
Open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., in Meister Hall [ME], SB-003
The Learning Commons is home to centralized academic support services, including group, peer and individual tutoring, supplemental instruction and exam review sessions. The Commons is also designed to encourage collaborative learning among students. Study rooms are available with whiteboards to work on group projects or study. Students may opt to find a comfortable spot on one of the many sofas in the Commons to catch up on their reading and studies. The Commons has computers and laptops available for research. Vending machines are also accessible. For information, contact Sahidha Odige, Academic Support Services Manager at 718.289.3139.

Quote of the Week
“Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced.” James Baldwin (1924 – 1987), African-American Novelist, Essayist, Playwright, Poet and Social Critic.

This Week@BCC
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2016
1- College Closed
President’s Day

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2016
1- Curriculum Committee Meeting
2 - 4 p.m., ME 228
2- BCC Women’s CUNY Semi-Finals vs BMCC
6 - 10 p.m., Away Game @ BMCC

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2016
1- College P&B General Meeting
9 - 11 a.m., LH, PCR
2- Free and Confidential HIV and STI Testing (Same Day Results)
10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Health Services Office, LO 101
3- BCC Men’s Basketball CUNYAC
Time TBA, Away Game @BMCC

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2016
1- Club Hours
12 - 2 p.m.
2- IOC Meeting
12 - 2 p.m., BC 310
3- Faculty Council Meeting
12:15 - 1:50 p.m., ME 228
4- Committee on Vice Presidents and Deans
2 - 3 p.m., ME 303
5- Free and Confidential HIV and STI Testing (Same Day Results)
4 - 6 p.m., Health Services Office, LO 101

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2016
1- Criminal Justice Academy - Student Orientation
8:30 - 11 a.m., BC Playhouse
1- BCC Women’s CUNY Finals vs BMCC
6 - 8 p.m., Away Game @ BMCC
1- BCC Men’s Basketball CUNYAC
Time TBA, Away Game @BMCC

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