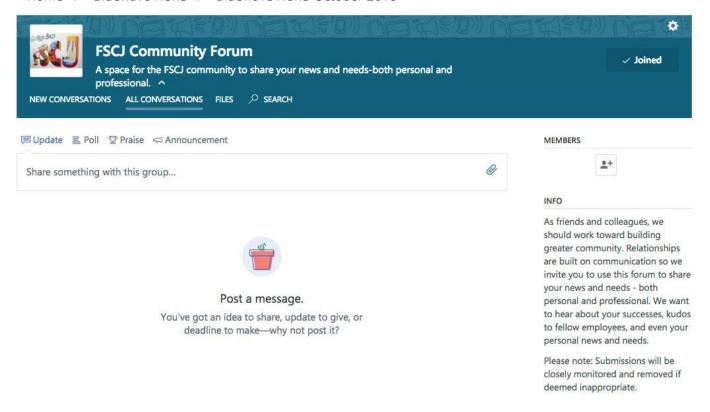
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## **Building the FSCJ Community**

With a renewed focus on building a better sense of community throughout the College, FSCJ has launched a Community Forum in Office 365's Yammer application. Yammer defines itself as "a private social network that helps you and your company stay on top of it all."

We know relationships are built on communication so we invite all faculty and staff to use this forum to share your news and needs – both personal and professional. We want to hear about your successes, kudos to fellow employees, exciting personal news and even

your needs.

Please use your best judgement on what you post. Submissions will be closely monitored and removed if deemed inappropriate.

Below are some examples of the types of things that are acceptable for users to post:

- Please join me in congratulating John Smith on his upcoming retirement!
- We have an extra bookcase in our conference room that is available. Contact me directly if you're interested.
- I'm excited to announce that my first grandchild was just born. Welcome to the world, Matthew!
- We are in need of 15 volunteers to help us fold letters to be sent to incoming students. There will be doughnuts!
- Today is my last day with the College. I've enjoyed my time spent at FSCJ and will cherish the wonderful friendships we've built.

You can access Yammer through Office 365. Once you've signed in, click on the top, left hand corner to access available Apps and select Yammer (pictured above). Once you're in, choose the FSCJ Community Forum Group from the left hand side under the search bar and join the group. You can also access Yammer by visiting yammer.com/fscj.edu.

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#### **FSCI News**

## Campus Community Meet and Greets Continue

Join us for one of the remaining meet and greet opportunities with Interim President Kevin Hyde and Executive Cabinet Members Dr. John Wall, Dr. Marie Gnage, Mr. Al Little and Ms. Jana Kooi.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to come to any of the events to visit and converse with our leadership team. Bring your thoughts, ideas, questions and passion for education and our institution.

If you can't make it to the meet and greet on your campus/center, feel free to attend any of the others.

#### October 17

9-10 a.m.

Nassau Center, Nassau Room

#### October 18

11 a.m.-noon North Campus, A-236

#### October 22

10:30-11:30 a.m. Deerwood Center, B-1204

#### October 25

10-11 a.m. Cecil Center, A-109

#### October 29

11 a.m.-noon South Campus, Nathan H. Wilson Center for the Arts, Lakeside Room

## FSCJ Receives U.S. Department of Education Grant for Affordable Child Care

FSCJ was recently awarded the Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) grant from the United States Department of Education (USDOE). This four-year grant, titled FSCJ CCAMPIS-Urban Core, will provide child care scholarship funds to low-income FSCJ students who are parents.

Over the grant period, FSCJ is projected to receive the total award potential of \$460,556 for child care services. Aside from the financial support it will offer, the program will also provide students and their children with enriching, high-quality learning and developmental experiences in a safe, reputable child care facility.

Utilizing FSCJ's existing infrastructure and resources in conjunction with child care scholarships, the services will be provided at the existing on-campus child care center located at FSCJ's Downtown Campus, the Chappell School.

The project will serve 50 full- and part-time students annually with a total of 70 students who will be served over the four-year project period. The program will allow the student parents to focus on their education, and their child's well-being, without the financial and emotional impact associated with finding quality child care. For this reason, the project anticipates an 80 percent retention rate and an 80 percent graduation/transfer rate of participants.

Additionally, supplemental support services will be provided for CCAMPIS participants including parenting workshops, case management support and a standing annual meeting with the Dean of Education in order to track their progress.

Participating parents will provide co-payments for child care based on a sliding scale which includes family size and income after allowable and verified deductions, such as medical premiums. The payment amounts will be based on the state of Florida's most recent state median income guidelines.

"We are excited for this CCAMPIS grant because we know it will be an invaluable benefit for many of our students and their children. By removing the stress associated with finding, and paying for, a place to entrust with their child's care while they are pursuing postsecondary education, these students will be better positioned to achieve their educational goals," said FSCJ Interim President Kevin E. Hyde. "This is just one more example of how FSCJ is finding ways to educate our community no matter what limitations or barriers to education one might have."

Applications for the CCAMPIS scholarship will be accepted beginning October 1, 2018, for the Spring 2019 Term. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis into the first months of the term.

Eligibility requirements include: 1) applicant must be a United States citizen, national, refugee alien or permanent resident alien at the time of application; 2) demonstrated financial need as defined by the U.S. Department of Education rules for Financial Aid; 3) enrolled full- or part-time in the College's associate degree or technical certificate programs in the current or upcoming term; and 4) demonstrated academic potential as evidenced by a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 in college coursework or high school coursework.

To apply, students should visit fscj.edu/scholarships and complete the sign up form. After signing up on the site, interested applicants should select the Spring Childcare Grant Application for completion. Applicants must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in addition to providing a recent grade report. Questions regarding the application process may be sent to scholarships@fscj.edu.

Interested students who would like to learn more about the scholarship should contact Dean of Education and Human Services Dr. Tiffany Hunter at tiffany.hunter@fscj.edu or (904) 633-8182.

### #GivingTuesday 2018



November 27, 2018 is #GivingTuesday. Join FSCJ for this global giving movement aimed at inspiring people to improve their community by giving their time, talents or treasures to a cause that matters to them.

FSCJ students, faculty, staff and alumni are invited to join us in this annual day of giving back to the community and showing

#FSCJCares. There are a variety of ways to get involved:

- 1. Volunteer at one of several nonprofits in northeast Florida.
- 2. Donate nonperishable food items to the FSCJ H.O.P.E. Food Pantry to help students in need. Collection bins will be available at all campuses from November 19-30.
- 3. Make a financial contribution to help the FSCJ H.O.P.E. Food Pantry stock its shelves. All donations will be matched by an anonymous donor.

More details will be announced soon. Visit fscj.edu/givingtuesday to learn more.

### Don't Forget to Update your FSCJ Email Signature

FSCJ introduced a new logo over the summer of 2017 so all faculty and staff are being asked to update their email signatures. You can find instructions and the correct format on p. 29-30 of the Brand and Style Guide. Click here to download the correct logo.

Please take a moment to update your email signature. If you have issues or questions, email com munications@fscj.edu. We appreciate your support in presenting a professional and consistent look across the College and to our students and external contacts.

Below is an example of how your signature should look:

#### John Smith

Professor of English Florida State College at Jacksonville 601 W. State Street Jacksonville, FL 32202 Office: (904) 632-5044 jsmith@fscj.edu



\* Please note that under Florida's very broad public records law, electronic mail and recorded voicemail messages to and from College employees may be subject to public disclosure.

### October is Hispanic Heritage Month



Hispanic Heritage Month is in full swing at FSCJ. Join us throughout the month of October as we honor the many contributions of Hispanic culture and explore current issues affecting the Latinx community.

For a full listing of events, check out the Hispanic Heritage Month calendar.

## Join Us for the Equity Town Hall Meeting

Connect with colleagues at the Achieve@FSCJ Equity Town Hall meeting on Friday, November 2, 2018.

Achieving the Dream (ATD) believes "that access to a high-quality education in an inclusive environment is the right of all individuals and imperative for the continued advancement of a strong democracy and workforce." As we continue our work surrounding equity at FSCJ, this town hall is intended to help stakeholders begin and continue to identify and implement equity-minded policies, practices and behaviors to promote achievement.

All FSCJ employees are invited to join us to network and engage in discussions on how to best serve our students. Employees who work directly with students may find this meeting especially beneficial.

Friday, November 2, 2018 10 a.m.-noon Deerwood Center, B1206 Please be on the lookout for the link to register soon. Your attendance counts for two non-credit hours of professional development toward the One Percent Salary Incentive.

#### Agenda

- Learn about current equity and access-focused initiatives at FSCJ, including the recently awarded \$2 million USDOE Title III Strengthening Institutions grant.
- Engage in a collaborative group activity focused on student demographics, and academic and student support services.
- Hear about the results of the FSCJ student equity survey.

This meeting is part of FSCJ's Achieving the Dream (ATD) efforts.

For more information regarding the One Percent Salary Incentive, please review APM 03-0911.

### FSCJ Honors the Memory of Mr. Jim Winston



The College was saddened to hear of the recent passing of Mr. Jim Winston, a passionate supporter of the College and many other local organizations throughout our community. In addition to his financial support, Mr. Winston also served on the FSCJ Foundation Board of Directors. A true philanthropist, he was dedicated to organizations that made growth and development possible for our city.

His name and legacy will continue on in our 20West Cafe Winston Room and the Winston Suites at 20West Housing.

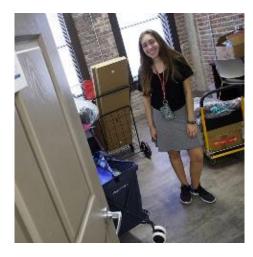
We extend our deepest sympathies to his family and friends and are forever grateful for the contributions he made through his service to FSCJ and our entire community.

You can read his full obituary here.

### **Students Move Into 20West Housing**

September 14 was the first official move-in day for FSCJ students at our newly opened 20West Housing.

Beautifully renovated to maintain the building's historical character, the 58 apartment-style living spaces offer modern,



comfortable conveniences of home with a trendy, urban twist.

Check out the Flickr album photos here.

#### Foundation

## Florida College System Presents Check for Student Scholarship



Tim Morris from the Florida College System Foundation Board of Directors recently presented a check to FSCJ Foundation to support three scholarships.

The \$5,481 Bank of America Dream Makers Scholarship is awarded to first generation students to cover tuition, books, fees, transportation and child care.

The \$15,900 Florida Blue Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship is provided to sustain the funding for student scholarships in Nursing and Allied Health Programs at Florida

Colleges to meet the growing need for skilled nurses and allied health professionals who serve the population of Florida.

The \$28,525 Helios Education Foundation First Generation Scholarship provides financial support to first generation students.

Students may apply for scholarships at fscj.edu/scholarships.

### FSCJ Foundation to Hold Donor Appreciation and

### Scholarship Event



FSCJ Foundation will host its annual donor appreciation and scholarship fundraising luncheon on December 10, 2018, presented by Florida Blue.

The event will highlight the impact of donors' support for FSCJ students and feature keynote speaker Wes Moore, CEO of Robin Hood, Army Combat Veteran and best-selling author of "The Other Wes Moore."

For tickets and additional information, click here.

#### **Faculty Spotlight**

## Dr. Jerry Santiago Receives National Recognition



Professor and Histotechnology Program Director Dr. Jerry Santiago was recently named the Histotechnologist of the Year by the National Society for Histotechnology (NSH). This award is given annually to an individual who best exemplifies the qualities of dedication, service and involvement. He will be recognized at the annual NSH Award Banquet.

The NSH is a professional organization for individuals actively engaged in the histology field. Since its founding over 40 years ago, NSH's member community has grown to include over 3,000 histology professionals from around the world.

Last year, Dr. Santiago received the Peggy Wenk Histology Program Scholarship from the NSH. The \$5,000 award was provided for materials, meetings and speaker opportunities to support the histology program.

Congratulations, Dr. Santiago!

#### **Engaging Students Outside the Classroom**



On September 20, Deerwood Center hosted the kickoff event for the StrengthsFinder Learning Community sponsored by Professor of Mathematics Paula Risko and Professor of English and Student Life Skills Rawlslyn Francis. Associate Vice President of Student Success Dr. Erin Richman, a trained Clifton Coach, was invited to speak to students about their strengths.

Known as the father of strength-based psychology, Donald O. Clifton invented the Clifton StrengthsFinder to start a conversation about what is right with people by focusing on

their strengths. He established 34 talent themes and used an assessment to measure them.

Professor Risko and Professor Francis were introduced to this idea when Dr. Richman held a Faculty Interest Group several years ago. Over the summer, the two decided to try the Clifton method with FSCI students.

Prior to the workshop, students were asked to take the Clifton StrengthsFinder and bring their results with them. Dr. Richman spoke about how our students should use their natural talents and focus on their top five strengths, not their weaknesses, because it is more effective to improve strengths. She spoke about how to use these on resumes and during job interviews and pointed out that people who have the opportunity to focus on their strengths every day are six times as likely to be engaged in their jobs and more than three times as likely to report having an excellent quality of life.

Dr. Richman also talked about the importance of surrounding ourselves with a supportive network of people and focusing on the positive interactions those networks provide. The students were engaged and excited about their discoveries and look forward to continuing the conversation.

Professor Risko said, "This event enriches our students' lives by helping them grow as lifelong learners, which is at the heart of our mission here at the College. Ultimately, this will also improve the Jacksonville community at large. Professor Francis and I want to give a big thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this event a success."

#### Staff Spotlight

## Get to Know Your Fellow A&P Colleagues - Nicholas Bodnar



The Administrative & Professional Collaborative (APC) is the representative voice for the Administrative & Professional employees of FSCJ. In an effort to build cohesiveness, awareness and collegiality, each month we put a "spotlight" on one of our members.

October's APC Spotlight shines on Library and Learning Commons (LLC) Manager Nicholas Bodnar. Nicholas has worked at Florida State College at Jacksonville since 2010. He began his career with the College as an Academic Tutor for the Downtown Library and LLC and served as an adjunct

faculty member teaching history. In 2017, Nicholas became LLC Manager of the Downtown Campus, where he is now responsible for overseeing the day-to-day activities of the LLC.

Prior to becoming LLC Manager, Nicholas also served as a history faculty member at Edward Waters College for six years, developing a love for Northeast Florida history and the local history of many of Jacksonville's communities.

He is currently serving as the Professional Development Officer for the Florida College Learning Center Association (FCLCA). In addition, this past year he has presented at various conferences throughout the state on topics ranging from support services for non-native English speakers to using escape rooms within libraries to promote student support services.

Nicholas holds a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in history from the University of North Florida. He is currently working on his doctorate degree in history at the University of Florida.

Our spotlight shines on each campus/center at least once a year. Nominations for the spotlight may be directed to your campus representative or any officer. Learn more about APC on their website, blogs.fscj.edu/apcollaborative.

### Program Spotlight

#### TRiO Talent Search

By Dayontrese Boatwright, FSCJ Marketing and Communications Intern and Converged Communications Student

TRiO Talent Search is a federally-funded program that offers specialized services and outreach for students who come from a low-income background and/or are first-generation college students. The TRiO program at FSCJ through Downtown and South campuses is offered at multiple middle and high schools around Jacksonville. At FSCJ South Campus alone, TRiO served 501 students during the 2017-18 school year. Out of 96 seniors, 79 graduated and of those graduates, 75 enrolled in a higher education program. Out of 405 non-senior participants, 388 continued in school at the next grade level for the 2018-19 school year.

What makes the TRiO Talent Search so unique? The answer is that even though it's dedicated to higher education, it also offers academic services, mentorship and financial counseling that students can start as early as sixth grade.

When asked why it is vital to start thinking about college in middle school, Wanda Martin, program director for TRiO at South Campus said, "Today's competitive college admissions process is proof that middle school is the right time to plant that seed of going to college. Middle school students may seem young, but they have arrived at the age where they're beginning to understand their strengths, interests and the kind of future they would like. Given this, it's certainly not too early to start promoting college awareness."

According to Dr. Sabrina F. Edwards, program director for TRiO at Downtown Campus, the best part of her job is being able to lead and inspire, and being able to make a difference in the lives of all the students she meets. As the product of a low-income family and a first-generation college student, she too understands how important it is to have programs like TRiO.

"I have students that I've helped who now have successful careers and are coming back and telling their success stories of how student support services changed their lives and how I was able to provide them with those resources."

The goal of TRiO is to not only speak with students about their goals and life aspirations but to also give them the knowledge and tools they need to get into college so they can go after their dreams. TRiO has had many success stories over the years or as said by Martin, "I feel any TRiO student that completes college is a success story."

In addition to the Talent Search grant through TRIO, FSCJ also receives grant funds for TRIO's Student Support Services program. Click here to watch a video.

### Alumni Spotlight

## FSCJ Graduates Named Teacher of the Year at Their Schools

We are proud to share that three of our Early Childhood Education program graduates were named Teacher of the Year at their respective schools.

Congratulations to these teachers:

- Jhordan Speed-Johnson, Pickett Elementary, Kindergarten
- Sylvia Waters, John Love Elementary, First-Grade
- LaTanya Capers, Andrew Robinson Elementary, Third-Grade

All school-level Teachers of the Year are eligible to apply for the Florida Blue Duval County Teacher of the Year and the winner will be announced in February 2019.

View the full list of honorees.

#### BlueWave Athletics

## FSCJ BlueWave Softball Hosts FSU



On Sunday, October 7, the FSCJ BlueWave Softball Team hosted the 2018 NCAA National Champions Florida State University Softball for an exhibition game at North Campus.

More than 500 attendees of all ages had the chance to meet FSU players and coaches for autographs and photos. It was a great way for both teams to kick off the fall season and FSU left with the win. Final score: FSU 11, FSCJ 0

Check out game photos on Flickr.

#### Faculty and Staff Achievements

FSCJ faculty and staff are leaders, not only within the College, but outside the College as well. We are proud to recognize and honor their achievements and successes.



Professor of Logistics and Distribution Dr. Johnny Bowman Jr. recently published a book called, "From Failure to Faith to Freedom." Dr. Bowman said, "All of us will experience failure of some sort in this life. Nothing discourages us more than when we experience failure. This is the primary reason I wrote this book - to give hope to the hopeless. In the book, I focus on six principles that helped me overcome the failure trap. Those six principles radically changed my life and can do the same for you." The book is available on Amazon.com, BarnesandNoble.com and BooksAMillion.com. He

also appeared on River City Live to discuss the book. Watch here.

Employee Relations and Equity Coordinator Stacey Legler brought home two gold medals from the 2018 World Rowing Masters Regatta, which welcomed participants from all over the world. Stacey won the women's 8+ (eight rowers plus one coxswain who steers the boat) and the women's 4- (four rowers without a coxswain – the rowers must steer).



FSCJ was well represented at the recent Northeast Florida Library Information Network (NEFLIN) Regional Conference. Dr. Victoria McGlone, Trina McCowan, Madeline Sims and Susan Mythen shared experiences learned through our assessment and collection





development processes.

The conference was attended by representatives of public, academic and special libraries and learning centers across the region.

#### In the News

FSCJ's faculty, staff, students, programs and leadership are often highlighted by local and regional media outlets - online, on air and in print. Read all of the recent articles regarding important activities happening within the College.

This Week in Jacksonville: FSCJ Professors Discuss Amendments on Fall Ballot

Published on news4jax.com on October 10, 2018. Learn more »

FSCJ trims list of search firms in hunt for new president

Published on jacksonville.com on September 18, 2018. Learn more »

FSCJ Announces Child Care Grant For Low Income Parents

Published on news.wjct.org on September 18, 2018. Learn more »

FSCJ Receives United States Department of Education Grant to Support Students' Access to Affordable Child Care

Published on fernandina observer.com on September 14, 2018. Learn more »

### **Upcoming Events**

To view all upcoming events, visit the Collegewide calendar of events.





## INAUGURAL SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM



OCTOBER 19, 2018 | 8 A.M.-2 P.M.





FSCI DOWNTOWN CAMPUS, ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY CENTER





#### Did You Know?

Did you know FSCJ launched a new Emergency Notification System? You must register again for each campus you visit to receive alerts. It is important you sign up for these alerts so you can stay updated on safety issues and weather concerns. Take a moment right now to sign up. Just enter your cell phone number into the field bar for any campus or center. Message and data rates may apply.

#### FSCJ In Action

FSCJ and UNF's ASL/English Interpreting students, alumni and faculty recently came together to provide interpreting services for the River City Pride 2018 events. This experience provided the students with a great service-learning opportunity and also gave faculty to give back to our community. Watch the video invitation here.



FSCJ Volunteers spent a day helping JASMYN organize, clean and tidy up their food and hygiene pantry and kitchenette. Volunteers learned about the vital resources JASMYN provides to our community while giving their time to tidy up their facilities.



Student volunteers also worked along the roadside outside of the Catty Shack Wildlife Ranch to bag trash and keep the roadways clean. The volunteers also worked behind the scenes doing grounds work to help the sanctuary run smoothly.

#### 20West Cafe



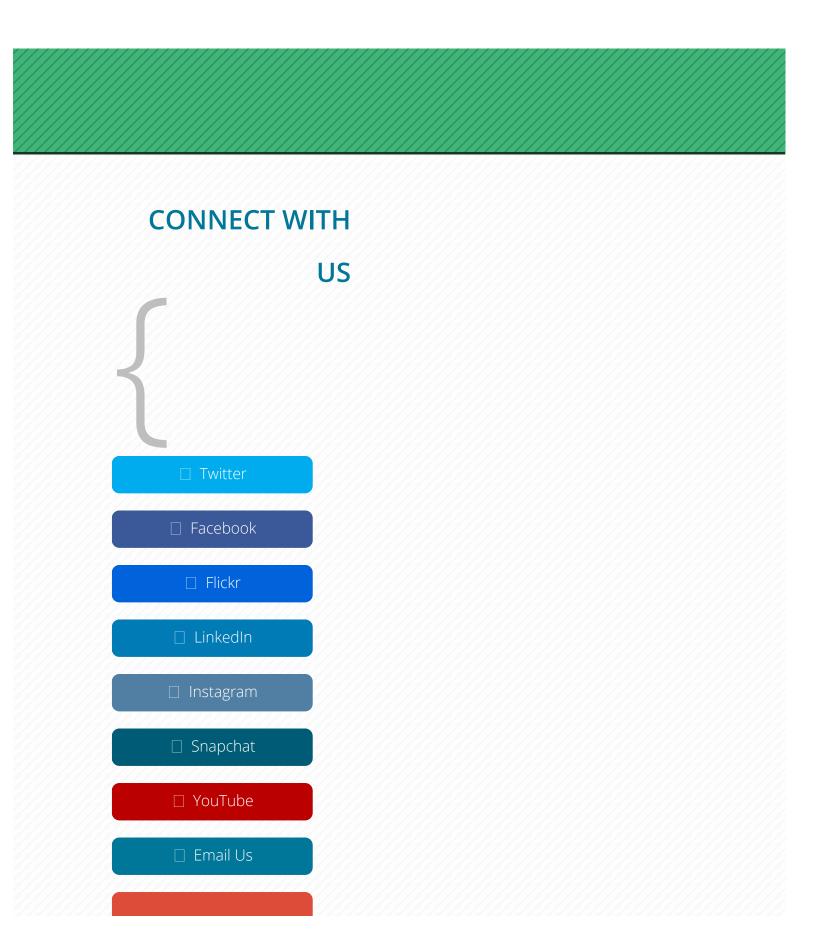
20West Cafe has new menu items including Shrimp and Grits and the 20West Burger! Don't forget that FSCJ employees receive a 20% discount with your College ID. Check out the new menu here.

#### BlueWave News Quiz

Test your knowledge. To ensure all faculty and staff have an opportunity to submit answers, the quiz winners will be selected at random from all entries that have answered all questions correctly. You have until 6 p.m. on the day the newsletter is distributed to email your answers to bluewavenews@fscj.edu. The three winners will receive a BlueWave promo pack!

Please note: Previous quiz promo prize pack winners, while eligible to submit answers, are not eligible for additional prizes for six months.

- 1. Who presented the Foundation with a check for student scholarships?
  - a. Tom Morris
  - b. Tim Norris
  - c. Tim Morris
  - d. Tom Norris
- 2. What day did students begin moving into 20West Housing?
  - a. September 14
  - b. September 24
  - c. October 4
  - d. September 30
- 3. On what pages of the Brand and Style Guide can you find the instructions to update your email signature with the correct FSCJ logo?
  - a. 26-27
  - b. 27-28
  - c. 28-29
  - d. 29-30
- 4. When is Giving Tuesday 2018?
  - a. November 21
  - b. November 27
  - c. November 22
  - d. October 27
- 5. When is the Cecil Center Community Meet and Greet?
  - a. October 17
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  - d. October 25



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