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# News & Notes

An update from the Public Relations Office - January 2019

The New Year is already going by so fast. It will be "old" before we know it! But there's plenty of news to share as we prepare for the Spring semester.

# 1. Details of new degrees approved by Board in December

Collin College will soon be offering several new degrees:

- Bachelor of Applied Technology in cybersecurity
- **Associate of Applied Science degrees**: Automotive Service Technician, Biomedical Equipment Technology, Collision Repair, Industrial Automation, and Sport & Recreation Management
- Formulated in cooperation with and/or endorsed by industry advisory committees
- All pending approval by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges

## 2. Events to commemorate Holocaust Remembrance Day

- International Holocaust Remembrance Day is Sunday, Jan. 27
- On Jan. 30, **Holocaust survivor Max Glauben** will speak at 6:30 p.m. in the Frisco Campus Conference Center (reception beforehand at 5:30 p.m.)
- Originally from Warsaw, Poland, Mr. Glauben came to the U.S. as an orphan in 1947
- From Jan. 30–Feb. 28, the exhibition "**Spots of Lights: To Be a Woman in the Holocaust**" will be on display in the atrium of J Building on the Frisco Campus
- Exhibit info: <u>www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/exhibitions/ready2print/index.asp#women</u>

# 3. Surgical Assisting certificate surges forward

- First class will earn Advanced Technical Certificates (ATC) in surgical assisting in May
- Collin is the only location in Texas offering the certificate and one of only 11 in the U.S.
- Certified Surgical Techs who have an AA or BA and 2 years of experience can apply
- Second class is now enrolling. Deadline is March 8
- More info: <u>http://www.collin.edu/surgtech/</u>

# 4. Public Safety Training Center on the law enforcement radar

Since the opening of the Public Safety Training Center (PSTC), the Law Enforcement Academy has developed working relationships with multiple law enforcement agencies:

- The **Texas Rangers** (Texas DPS) and the **FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force** have already conducted training at the PSTC
- The **Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives** (ATF), based in Dallas, will conduct training in February







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- The Naval Criminal Investigative Services Training Academy will conduct training in July
- The academy has been in communication with the **Department of Veteran Affairs** and the U.S. Marshal's Joint **East Texas Fugitive Task Force** about training sessions later this year
- Law Enforcement Academy website: http://www.collin.edu/department/lawenforcement/

## 5. New athletics website is online

- Launched during the Fall semester
- Features **up-to-date schedules**, statistics, rosters and contact info
- Game summaries posted weekly
- Men's and women's basketball and tennis teams highlighted
- Website link: <u>http://athletics.collin.edu</u>

### 6. Fine Arts events on tap for February

- "The Alternative Processes & Integrated Media Competition" exhibition will be on display at THE ARTS gallery, Room A175 on the Plano Campus, Jan. 22–Feb. 13
- Featuring alternative photo processes, historical printing methods, plus traditional mediums
- In collaboration with the Texas Photographic Society. Admission is free, open to the public
- Details: <u>www.collin.edu/theartsgallery</u>
- From the Music Department, a Guitar Festival will take place Feb. 8–10
  - Faculty concert, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m., THE ARTS gallery
  - Alumni concert, Feb. 9 at 2 p.m., THE ARTS gallery
  - Student concert (solos & guitar orchestra), Feb. 10 at 3 p.m., Living Legends Conference Center
  - Download the spring Fine Arts brochure at www.collin.edu/finearts

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## **Rapid Growth of Law Enforcement at the PSTC**

The Law Enforcement Academy has tracked usage of the new facilities at the Public Safety Training Center since September:

- In this academic year, **125 municipalities, 45 county, four state and two Federal agencies** have utilized the PSTC for training.
- **Cadets have been sent from 12 area agencies** to enroll in the Basic Peace Officer Course. Four new agencies have requested slots in the April course session.
- Four agencies have used the facility for the Basic Correctional Officer course.
- Three cadets from the 105th Basic Peace Officer Course (graduated in December) have been hired by the Richardson, Little Elm, and Allen police departments.



