

November 28, 2011

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

BOOKSTORE BUYBACK*

Four Corners Bookstore

Wednesday - Thursday	December 7 - 8	9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Friday	December 9	9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday	December 10	8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Wednesday - Thursday	December 7 - 8	3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
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Wednesday	December 8	10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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*Don't forget your UIN card. A student ID is REQUIRED to participate!

Did You Rent Your Textbook this Fall Quarter?

Reminder: Any textbook RENTALS are due back to the Bookstore
NO LATER THAN Saturday, December 10, at 2 p.m.

WINTER QUARTER 2012—BOOKSTORE HOURS

Book Purchases

Tuesday - Thursday	December 27 – 29	8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Tuesday – Friday	January 3 – 6	8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Saturday	January 7	11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Week 1—“Rush” Week

Monday - Thursday	January 9 – 12	8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Friday	January 13	8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Weeks 2-10—January 16 – March 17

Monday - Thursday	8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Friday	8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Contact the Four Corners Bookstore at 231-777-5340 or send an email to bookstore-mu@baker.edu with any questions or concerns.

Notification of Cancelled Classes for Inclement Weather

In the event classes are cancelled for inclement weather this winter, students will be notified via the Baker College Emergency Notification System (ENS). This system sends out notices via telephone, e-mail and text messages. The College will also notify area radio and television stations about closings and cancellations, but our official sources are the College website at www.baker.edu, the weather hotline at 231-777-6666 for announcements about class cancellations, or ENS.

If the College is open but snow and ice prevent you from making it to school, please contact your teacher to notify her or him of your absence.

Withdrawal From Courses

A student may withdraw from a course up to the end of the week which precedes the final week of the course.

This means that a student may withdraw from a fall term 10-week class on or before Saturday of Week 9 (December 3, 2011). For a five-week class, the student may withdraw on or before Saturday of the fourth week of the course. Students cannot withdraw from a class during the final week of that class.

To withdraw from a course, the student should complete a Withdrawal Form, which is available in the Academic Center, or the student may mail or fax a letter to the Academic Center requesting withdrawal and explaining the reason for withdrawal.

Students with questions should contact the Academic Center staff at 231-777-5232.

Final Grades Available Online December 12

Students may access their final grades online for fall 2011 on Monday, December 12, 2011, after 10 a.m. Grades for some classes may appear earlier. Students may request to receive a grade report through the mail by filling out a Request to Mail Grade Report Form at the Academic Center.



ID Card—Your Key to Everything!

Remember to have your Baker Student ID card with you whenever you are on campus. You will be asked to present your ID card in the Academic Center, Business Office, Financial Aid Office, Library Learning Connection, and Bookstore. If you need a student ID card, stop at the Campus Safety Office at the main entrance by the clock tower. If your name changes, you may get a new ID card at no charge.

Attend Your Classes Week 1!

If you have registered for winter quarter classes, you have an obligation to attend your classes Week 1, January 9–14. If your plans for winter quarter have changed, it is **your** responsibility to notify the College **before January 9** to avoid being administratively withdrawn from your classes.

Know Your Staff— Kathy Burnham

Kathy Burnham is the Campus Safety Department Administrative Assistant at Baker College of Muskegon. The Campus Safety Department's policy and practice is to attempt to maintain a safe and secure environment for students, employees, and guests. The department is open twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Ms. Burnham handles the majority of the paperwork for Campus Safety. She enjoys working in this department because she "loves knowing that I am part of a department that helps to provide a safe learning environment for students, staff, and faculty."



Ms. Burnham conducts annual training that is required for both Campus Safety and Facilities. She is certified to teach Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, Automated External Defibrillation, and First Aid. She does this training for faculty and staff at Baker College also.

In 2004, Ms. Burnham graduated from Baker College with an Associate of Applied Science Degree. She was a work study in the Campus Safety Department while in college. She, then, worked part-time and is now full-time in the department.

Ms. Burnham loves spending time with her five children, grandchild, and family. She enjoys cooking, reading, watching movies, golfing, and gardening.

BUSINESS OFFICE NOTES:

Any student with an outstanding balance needs to speak with a Business Officer before taking their FINAL EXAMS. Do you need help paying the portion of your bill that financial aid does not cover? Please stop in the Business Office so we can discuss your options. The college's goal is to have all accounts paid before final exams are taken.

COMING SOON TO A COMPUTER NEAR YOU

Winter Quarter 2012 invoices will be available online on December 15. You will receive an email alerting you to access the Baker College website at <https://carina.baker.edu/solar> to print or view your invoice. As a reminder, tuition may be paid in full at time of registration or in installments. If paid in installments, at least one-half (50%) of the tuition plus fees should be paid by the Friday before classes start (January 6, 2012).

Do you have an outstanding balance with the college for Fall quarter or earlier? If so, you must contact the Business Office **immediately**. At this time, your outstanding balance is considered **past due** and may impact your ability to re-enroll for any quarter, take final examinations, or receive official transcripts. Please **act now** to ensure your continued financial success at Baker College.



Medical Assistant Informational Meeting

A Medical Assistant informational meeting will be held on Friday, December 2, at 9 a.m., in the Auditorium. **This is for all Medical Assistant students who will be starting their clinical rotation (MED106/116/186/205/171) in winter 2012.** We will meet and discuss the program requirements including the required dress code. Please bring a copy of your rotation schedule.

If you have questions, please contact Cindy Gordon, MA Program Director, at cindy.gordon@baker.edu.

Show Your School Spirit!
Baker College students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to wear their Baker College shirts and vests, and other "Bakerwear" on Thursday, December 8. Show your school spirit during Week 10!

Register N-O-W!

Register now for your winter term classes. Stop by or phone the Academic Center at 231-777-5232 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday or the Career Services office from 6 to 9:40 p.m. Monday-Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12:40 p.m.

Don't delay — Classes are filling fast!

Toastmasters Club

Learn to speak like a professional...Join TOASTMASTERS!

We meet every Tuesday from 4:30—5:30 p.m. in West End Conference Room A. Refreshments are provided.

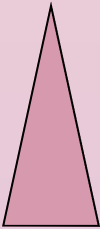


AIDS Memorial Quilt on Display at Baker

Baker College of Muskegon will host sections of the AIDS Memorial Quilt November 28 – December 2 in the Student Center. With teddy bears and boy scout badges, love letters and photography, the AIDS Memorial Quilt is a handmade memorial that tells the story of real people who were loved and lost to AIDS. As the epidemic continues claiming lives around the world and here in the United States, the Quilt continues to grow and to reach more communities with its messages of remembrance, awareness and hope. For more information about The Quilt, visit www.aidsquilt.org.

World AIDS Day

The Gay/Straight Alliance (GSA) of Baker College will have an Information Table in recognition of World AIDS Day on Thursday, December 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Student Center. Information on HIV/AIDS and the Gay/Straight Alliance will be available. Red ribbons will also be available for purchase as a fundraiser for the GSA. Stop by and purchase a red ribbon to wear on World AIDS Day.



“By 2016, there will be more than 1.5 million computer specialist jobs available.”

“No other subject will open as many doors in the 21st century as computer science...”

This shouldn't surprise anyone.

Computers are everywhere – from your laptop, to your phone, your car, your coffee maker and your television. Thousands of computer specialists are needed, and will continue to be needed to plan, create, build, repair and support computers and their infrastructure.

“By 2016, U.S. universities will produce only half of the computer science bachelor's degrees needed.”

This should surprise everyone.

Computer science enables innovation in all science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines to create economic opportunities. Increasing energy efficiency, advancing healthcare, and improving communication in the digital age are just a few of the national priorities that depend on computer science.

Computer science teaches students “design, logical reasoning, and problem-solving – all skills that have value well beyond the classroom,” said Rick Rashid, Senior Vice-president of Research for Microsoft. Despite serious economic challenges confronting the nation, computer science-related jobs are among the fastest-growing and highest paying over the next decade,” said Alfred Spector, vice president of Research and Special Initiatives at Google, Inc.

The US Congress has designated the week of December 4 as “National Computer Science Education Week.” Microsoft, Google, Inc., and Intel, among others, as well as the Computer Science Teachers Association, National Center for Women & Information Technology, and the Computing Research Association have partnered to build awareness of computer science education as a national priority.

As part of our belief in Computer Science education, Baker College recently completely restructured the Bachelor of Computer Science degree. The class changes bring this degree in line with the current requirements and skills companies look for when hiring computer science majors. Some of these range from theory through programming to cutting-edge development of computing solutions.

To further our support of computer science education, we will be hosting the annual Computer and Technology Challenge on December 13. High school and career tech students from around West Michigan will be on campus competing in various technical, computer science, electronic engineering, graphic reproduction and other challenges. Attendance at this event is restricted to these high school participants.

With the current and future available jobs, students should be rushing into the field.

So why aren't more students going into computer fields and, specifically, computer science? **Why aren't you?**

WHERE DO THE SMART SHOPPERS SHOP?

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LEARNING CENTER 231-777-5345

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- ✓ DOWNLOAD TO YOUR AUDIO DEVICE/MP3



Like Us! Baker College Library Learning Connection

LLC Fall Quarter Hours
Monday-Thursday 7:30am-9pm
Friday 7:30am-6pm
Saturday 10am-4pm
Sunday 2pm-6pm

I Wear Pink for My Grandma...

My name is Jennifer Stauter and my true survivor is my grandma, Pauline E. Davis. Grandma may have passed away a few years ago, but it wasn't the cancer that killed her. While she battled breast cancer, she was still a tough old bird. By looking at her, you would never have known that she had the cancer. She lived her life as though nothing was wrong. She helped my cousin through the loss of her mom by comforting her all through the funeral. Grandma took my cousin in when she really had nowhere to go after the passing of her mom. Grandma's strength showed in the way she never let the cancer bring her spirits down. She always told me that God does things for a reason and that getting the cancer was a path that she had to take. When she passed away a few years ago, I wondered why the toughest person that I knew who had battled breast cancer had to leave this Earth. Grandma fought breast cancer and won, thereby getting a few extra years of life and that is why she is my true survivor.

(This profile was submitted for the essay contest that was part of the Breast Cancer Awareness Month observed this October at the Quarterline Grill, West End Café, & B.R.I.C.)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



DECEMBER 5-10

Last Week of Classes

DECEMBER 14

- English Writing Sample based on COMPASS or ACT scores — 2 p.m.
- Keyboarding Waiver Tests – 1 p.m.
- Math Waiver Tests – 3 p.m.

DECEMBER 15

INF Waiver Tests – 6 p.m.

DECEMBER 23 — 26 COLLEGE CLOSED

DECEMBER 30—JANUARY 2 COLLEGE CLOSED

JANUARY 4

- Math Waiver Tests – 11 a.m.
- English Writing Sample based on COMPASS or ACT Scores — 1 p.m.
- INF and CIS Waiver Tests – 2 p.m.

JANUARY 6

• INF and CIS Waiver Tests – 2 p.m.

JANUARY 9

Winter Classes Begin

Baker College of Muskegon Health Sciences Career Day

Friday, February 17, 2012
Muskegon Campus Gymnasium
9 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.

Watch for details in future newsletters.

Sponsored by Career Services

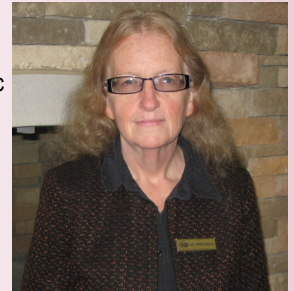
From the desk of... **Gail Powers-Schaub, Director of the Baker College of Muskegon Library**

I work in the Library Learning Connection (LLC) with a wonderful team of dedicated, friendly, smart people. Our mission in the LLC is connecting our customers (you!) with the resources you need to succeed. Successful students are those who use the resources for which they are paying – and there is a vast array of resources, services and people available in the LLC to see you through to graduation, and ultimately the career for which you came to Baker College. Those resources may include other people, books, articles, DVDs, films, audio, research guides, tutoring, computer access and more.

Start your research at the library website www.baker.edu/library, where a world of college-level resources awaits you. Look at the Research Guides

at guides.baker.edu to locate program specific research help and links to e-books, credible, authoritative websites, keyword suggestions and topic ideas, focused database choices and academic video, among other great tips. Visit askus.baker.edu for help in real time with frequently asked questions. Text your question to a librarian at 810-771-8959.

Schedule an appointment for Research Tutoring to plan your project. Access DVDs, CDs, audio books, Films on Demand, e-books, databases with magazine and journal articles, and more than 45,000 print books. Use the Interlibrary Loan service to borrow items from other Baker campuses, and other state and national library collections. You can even LIKE us on facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/MULLC>. The LLC has evening and weekend hours during the quarter – please drop in!



FIRST STEPS TOWARD A REWARDING CAREER

- **Begin with your values.** What is really important to you? Your values are the emotional anchor of all that you do. Write down your values as clearly as you can.
- **Identify your skills and talents.** A skill is something you have learned to do. A talent is something you excel at naturally. Most often, you will find greater satisfaction in a career that utilizes your natural abilities.
- **Identify your interests.** Would you prefer working with people or things? Are you more interested in facts or ideas?
- **Spend time researching a variety of careers.** Interview people who have the career you desire. Utilize the vast resources available on the internet to obtain career information.
- **Experience careers that interest you.** Ask for the opportunity to job shadow and experience an average day on the job.



The counselors in the Academic Center are available to assist you with the career decision process. Ask them about career assessments available to help you match your values, interests and abilities with possible career areas. Take steps toward an exciting future today!

PHOTO IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED TO TAKE WAIVER TESTS

All students must present photographic identification before they will be allowed entrance into a waiver testing session. A Baker College student ID is preferred, but a driver's license or other government photo ID will be accepted as well. Free waiver tests are available for selected courses in the mathematics, English, keyboarding and information systems departments. Testing sessions are scheduled periodically throughout the year. The following waiver tests are available on the dates indicated prior to the start of the 2012 winter quarter for qualifying students:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011
1 p.m. in T 107: WPG 098
2 p.m. in T102: ENG 091, ENG 101
3 p.m. in F 102: MTH 101, MTH 111, MTH 112, MTH 124

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2011
6 p.m. in T 104 & T 105: INF 112, INF 113, INF 114A, INF 121, INF 131, INF 141A, CIS 106B, CIS 107B, NET 101

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2012
11 a.m. in F 102: MTH 101, MTH 111, MTH 112, MTH 124
1 p.m. in T102: ENG 091, ENG 101
2 p.m. in T 104 & T 105: INF 112, INF 113, INF 114A, INF 121, INF 131, INF 141A, CIS 106B, CIS 107B, NET 101

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2012
2 p.m. in T 104 & T 105: INF 111, INF 112, INF 113, INF 114A, INF 121, INF 131, INF 141A, CIS 106B, CIS 107B, NET 101