James W. Banks, Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs and Associate Professor at the College, was recognized at the 28th Annual Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast, hosted by the First Baptist Church of Riverhead. During the program, Professor Banks received the Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. Meritorious Award for the work he has done for others, giving unselfishly of himself, and exemplifying the ideals of the late Dr. King. The Suffolk County Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission presented its 2013 Public Service Award to Dr. Evon Walters for his efforts promoting the principles and philosophies of Dr. King.

During the year, I delivered welcoming remarks at our Eastern Campus to kick off the Custer Institute's 34th Annual Astronomy Jamboree and joined the college community at a family night of fun with the Long Island Ducks, where we enjoyed a home field playoff game and I threw out the first pitch.



"Stand Up SCCC" was a college-wide initiative that fostered conversations about bullying and cyberbullying.

Improved Student Life. The Ammerman Campus Counseling Center held its seventh annual Mental Health Awareness Day. Over 300 students attended the event and were provided information on topics such as domestic violence, dealing with chronic mental illness, suicide prevention, HIV and mental health, alcohol and drug abuse, support for sexual orientation, eating disorders, and support for child victims of physical and sexual abuse. The event was co-sponsored by the Counseling Center and the Office of Campus Activities/Student Leadership Development.

The College has created *Stand Up SCCC*, a college-wide committee that is taking a stand against bullying and cyberbullying. To encourage conversations across our campuses and among our student body, the committee organized an exciting and innovative program that took place this past semester. Students were invited to submit creative work to be judged for its success in expressing how bullying or cyberbullying has touched their life, how it impacts human dignity, or how they can take a stand against it. Students were able to submit their work in numerous mediums, such as drawing, painting, prints, photography, video, digital or graphic art, sculpture, written word, and recorded music. The award-winning work was placed on display on all three campuses. The College received 44 pieces of artwork from 40 student artists representing all three campuses. The winners received Samsung Galaxy tablets and Certificates of Merit from the College.



The "Stand Up SCCC" initiative included an event in which students were invited to submit creative work that illuminated how bullying or cyberbullying has impacted their lives.

The College's Alpha Delta Gamma (Michael J. Grant Campus) and Alpha Zeta Nu (Ammerman Campus) chapters of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society received 'Three Star Chapter' and 'One Star Chapter' recognition respectively, as announced during the Phi Theta Kappa Annual Convention. Phi Theta Kappa, the International Honor Society for two-year colleges, is the largest honor society in American higher education. Phi Theta Kappa's Five Star Chapter development plan serves as a blueprint for developing strong chapters and improving student engagement on campus.