

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Midway between east and southeast
- 4. Sun up in New York
- 7. Japanese honorific
- 8. Czech name for Prague
- 10. Ochocinco's first name
- 12. Steep cliffs (Hawaiian)
- 13. Scots word for "home"
- 14. Upper class young woman (abbr.)
- 16. Monetary unit of Albania
- 17. Raise
- 19. Drain of resources
- 20. Uncultured, clumsy persons
- 21. Hikers use them
- 25. Retrospective analysis (military)
- 26. Tibetan form of chanting
- 27. Influential European statesman
- 29. Soluble ribonucleic acid
- 30. Monetary unit of Romania
- 31. Round green vegetable
- 32. Well acquainted with
- 39. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- 41. Basics
- 42. "The Godfather" actress Keaton
- 43. Snakelike fish
- 44. Tall deciduous tree
- 45. Russian river
- 46. Long Balkans river
- 48. Ancient Greek coin
- 49. Senegal's capital
- 50. Unwell
- 51. Snout
- 52. Low bank or reef of coral

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Abstain from
- 2. Vast desert in North Africa
- 3. Cover the crown of a tooth
- 4. A major division of geological time
- 5. Urban center
- 6. Crook
- 8. Parts per billion (abbr.)
- 9. Questions
- 11. A pack of 52 playing cards
- 14. Recording of sound
- 15. Pithy saying
- 18. Atomic #22
- 19. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 20. Plant with ridged seedpods
- 22. Innate
- 23. Investigative body for Congress (abbr.)
- 24. Soda receptacle
- 27. Spanish stew: ___ podrida
- 28. Viet Cong offensive
- 29. Large body of water
- 31. Beginning military rank
- 32. Dissimilar
- 33. Counteroffensive system (abbr.)
- 34. Shows who you are
- 35. Chinese dynasty
- 36. Type of verse
- 37. African nation
- 38. Quite
- 39. Former Bucks star Michael
- 40. Showed again
- 44. Body part
- 47. Steal

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Taking advantage of QCC's presence in the South County Region

WORCESTER — A local Southbridge family has found a way to higher education thanks to Quinsigamond Community College's presence in the Southbridge community.

QCC 2021 nursing graduates Cassara Casey and Kirstianna Ferschke are part of a large family who found their local community college to be just the resource they needed to obtain a higher education. Ms. Casey was the first to head to college in 2008, choosing QCC for its affordability and accessibility. Her sister Kaitlynn Ferschke followed suit, graduating in May 2016 with her associate degree in Early Childhood Education (ECE). "Calissa is the second youngest and she starts this fall for ECE at QCC," Ms. Casey said, adding, "My mom has also taken classes at QCC."

Today, QCC at Southbridge is even closer to the communities it serves with its move in the summer of 2020 to a well-known and recognized central location, Southbridge High School, "Broadening the footprint of QCC makes it more accessible not only Southbridge, but also to the surrounding communities. Also, by virtue of our location, Southbridge High School students can easily take part in QCC's Early College Program," said QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D.

Currently QCC is registering students for the fall semester. Students can set up appointments with a variety of offices through the QCC's new Easy Queue (EZQ) system (www.QCC.edu/EZQ). This new system enables students to save time by joining virtual waiting rooms for the offices they need to meet with such offices as Admissions, Advising and Financial Aid. Through a text messaging system, students will receive reminders and wait time updates as their appointment gets closer, saving them time from waiting in a physical line. When a student's appointment time is ready, they will receive notification and can then proceed to the designed office.

In addition to this new support service, QCC will continue to offer remote support services and online courses, as well as in-person services and courses beginning this fall.

"There are so many resources going to a community college," Ms. Casey said. "I like that QCC is more of a community."

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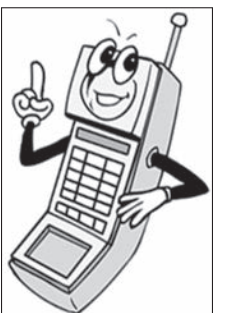
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