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Spring 2023!

# Actions for Animals

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## Mission Statement:

To get the students of NVCC informed and active in the fight for animal rights.

## Sponsored club events:

- Community Service
- Movie Nights
- Events promoting cruelty free products
- Food Tasting



# Art Club

(Fall 2022)

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(Spring 2023)

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## Mission Statement:

We aim to find our inner artist, express ourselves and to grow as both individuals and as members of the community

## Sponsored club events:

- Collaborated with the Theater Dept. in the creation of the masks used in their production of *Mr. Burns a Post Apocalyptic Play*
- For the International Arts Festival, put up a wall for NVCC students to tear down and write down their stories which were then crafted into an arch telling the stories of those students
- Field trip to the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art
- End of Semester Art Show



# Black Student Union

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## Mission Statement:

The mission of the BSU as stated in its preamble is to support African American students by promoting programs of an educational, cultural, social and recreational nature which will enhance and broaden the perspective of the student. The club has tried to live up to its mission by providing opportunities not only for its members but for the entire college community.

## Sponsored club events:

- Along with the HSU, hosted the second annual bread celebration
- Hosted student success workshop
- Hosted financial literacy workshop
- Soul Food Cinema – featuring a documentary on Black Migration: from forced migration out of Africa to North America, South America and the Caribbean and the continued migration to North America from South America and the Caribbean



# Creative Writing club

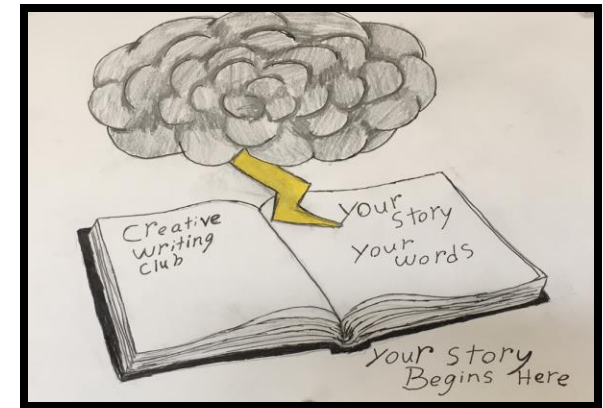
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## Mission Statement:

The mission of the Creative Writing Club is to foster the development of creative writing through constructive criticism.

## Sponsored club events:

- Collaborated with the faculty Center for Teaching to host an end-of-semester holiday celebration. At the celebration, the Creative Writing Club moderated a spoken word open mic where participants presented original and previously published poems and prose celebrating the gift of giving and the gift of receiving. Center for Teaching members and guests made scarves for our local shelters in addition to collecting donations of winter clothing.
- Hosted a trip to The Mark Twain House in Hartford for student writers interested in encountering a writer from Connecticut's illustrious literary past.



# Digital Arts Technology

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## Mission Statement:

To further enhance the creative, technical, interpersonal, professional skill sets of those interested in the Digital Arts (not limited to DAT majors). This is accomplished via, projects and exploration in digital arts related subjects. Through this, networking is possible, portfolios are boosted, and friendship bonds are forged.

## Sponsored club events:

- 4 Workshops:
- Certificate Creation
- Avatar Creation w/ Illustrator
- Simple Lighting
- Using Green Screen Properly



# Early Childhood Education (ECE)

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## Mission Statement:

The Early Childhood Education Club supports the development of leadership in students by giving them the opportunity to develop valuable network systems through interaction and communication with others in the field of early childhood education. Opportunities for volunteering, advocating for young children and their families and students own continued growth of best practices in the field are also provided through a wide variety of club experiences.

## Sponsored club events:

- Held a Fruit Cup Sale where all proceeds were donated to Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury, Inc.
- Volunteered to do giftwrapping at Barnes and Noble, Waterbury
- Volunteered at the St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen
- Attended a full-day Professional Development trip to NYC to tour and attend a presentation at Tribeca Community School, a Reggio-Emilia inspired school
- Attended the full-day "Childhood Conversations



# Health & Nutrition Club

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## Mission Statement:

To encourage the practice of healthier eating habits and provide general knowledge on how to maintain a healthy & fit lifestyle.

## Sponsored club events:

- Smoothie Fundraisers
- Yoga Sessions
- Community Service



# Hispanic Student Union (HSU)

## Mission Statement:

Our purpose is to promote educational and cultural awareness and appreciation of the Hispanic culture. To develop leadership that is responsive to our college and our community needs. We encourage diverse membership from all ethnic backgrounds and provide opportunities for all students (Hispanic and Non-Hispanic) to enhance student participation on campus in efforts of strengthening diversity.

## Sponsored club events:

- We welcomed Guatemalan-American film director Luis Argueta to our campus to screen his documentary *Abrazos*. Argueta's film was masterful in its storytelling of the journey in search of one's identity through the lives of 14 American children born to undocumented immigrants from Guatemala.
- The HSU participated in volunteer service at the St.Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen.
- The HSU's action plan after the showing of the documentary *Abrazos* included doing something for the marginal communities in Central America. We decided to sell *pulseras* as part of the Pulsera Project. A donation

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# Human Services Club

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## Mission Statement:

The Human Services Club supports the college's mission by providing a dynamic and interactive environment for the club members to enhance their education about social services and client needs in the ever-changing community and service delivery system. The club will focus on providing; services through community volunteer activities, the donation of needed items to community agencies, and by facilitating educational/information forums on campus.

## Sponsored club events:

- Hosted a Sexual Assault Awareness Event
- Hosted several community speakers
- Attended Congresswoman Johann Hayes' roundtable on Food Insecurity on College Campuses at UCONN
- Hosted a table at Fresh Check Day- suicide awareness & prevention
- Volunteered at the St Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen four times





# Multicultural Club(Danbury Campus)

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## Mission Statement:

Our purpose is to promote educational and cultural awareness and appreciation of diversity within our college campus. To develop leadership that is responsive to our college and our community needs. We encourage diverse membership from all ethnic backgrounds and provide opportunities for all students to enhance student participation on campus in efforts of strengthening diversity.

## Sponsored club events:

- Hispanic Heritage celebration in the Danbury campus which included Hispanic foods, games, quizzes, and arts and crafts.
- Prepared and distributed care packages for the homeless. The packages included gloves, hats, hand warmers, chap-stick, socks and some toiletries.
- Fundraiser to raise money for the North Carolina service trip
- Trip to rebuild homes in North Carolina affected by the hurricane Florence

# Music Society

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## Mission Statement:

The Music Society's mission is to support the activities of the music program, including special events, collaborative efforts with other arts departments, and community outreach.

## Sponsored club events:

- Coffeehouses
- Dedication of Statue "Ricordo di un Bacio Mancato"
- Confluencia
- Frostiana and Jazz Concert
- CFT Lunch Scarf-making Event
- Cocoa and Caroling
- Newman Club Lessons and Carols



# Naugatuck Events Management Club (NEM)

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## Mission Statement:

To promote experience and excellence in hospitality operations through catering and events management.

## Sponsored club events:

- NEM hosted a farm to fork BBQ in September to thank Public Safety & Maintenance for all they do for us. We offer discounted menu items for our students so they may enjoy fresh farm food at affordable prices.
- We collaborated with the Connecticut Community Foundation to provide a luncheon, and they offered a grant to promote employment opportunities for our students in senior living facilities.
- The club hosted 2 high teas in conjunction with the President's office – one for the President's Circle and one for the Women's Recognition Ceremony.



# Newman Club

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## Mission Statement:

The NVCC Newman Club is a Catholic student organization which is open to all members of the NVCC community. The club shall provide opportunities for students to integrate Catholic spirituality and tradition into the academic life of the campus through prayer, bible study, community service, guest speakers, retreats, field trips, and other activities.

## Sponsored club events:

We held our weekly Bible Study and Scripture Teas.

- Hosted weekly gatherings to pray the Rosary.
- We facilitated the Distribution of Ashes on Ash Wednesday in the Inter-Faith Center
- During Lent we sponsored Lenten Soup Luncheons featuring free Lent-friendly soups.
- Sponsored community events introducing local businesses that help students including Carolyn's Place and Saint Vincent De Paul's Shelter
- At Christmas time we sponsored a religious Christmas display, featuring a Christmas tree, Nativity crèche, and explanations for all the religious symbols contained therein.
- We hosted our 6<sup>th</sup> annual Lessons in Carol's event in partnership with the NVCC College Chorale with inspired music & selected Biblical scriptures.
- Offered a prayerful remembrance in honor of those lost and affected by September 11<sup>th</sup>



# Ping Pong Club

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## Mission Statement:

The purpose of this club is to promote playing ping pong to have fun, to improve our skills and to honor the memory of all players who came before us.

## Sponsored club events:

- Met weekly to promote the club
- Taught new students the game of ping pong
- Future tournament plans
- Fun gaming events sponsored by our club



# Pride Alliance

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## Mission Statement:

The purpose of this club is to raise awareness about sexual and gender diversity on and beyond the campus, to provide support for LBGTT students and our allies, and to embrace diversity in all of its forms.

## Sponsored club events:

- Attended the 2019 True Color Conference at UConn, Storrs.
- Initiated and hosted the Zero Discrimination student panel event in collaboration with BSU and SGA (featuring five student panelists and one community member who discussed what discrimination looks like and how we can be allies to each other). Approximately 100 students, faculty and staff attended.





# Radiology Tech Club

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## Mission Statement:

The purpose of the organization shall be to coordinate and conduct activities related to fundraising, social events to support the clubs educational pursuits in the field of Radiology.



## Sponsored club events:

- Fundraisers
- Banquets
- Pinning Ceremony
- Community Service



# Respiratory Therapy Club

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## Mission Statement:

The purpose of the Respiratory Care club shall be to promote community awareness of respiratory/pulmonary health and the profession of Respiratory Therapy.

## Sponsored club events:

- Information Sessions
- Community Service
- Conferences
- Raised Public Awareness on Lung Health Issues



# School of Rock Club

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## Mission Statement:

The purpose of the club is to research the history of rock music and how it has transitioned over the years in the music industry. Students will meet to discuss weekly topics and listen to rock music from years past.



# Stage Society

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## Mission Statement:

By working as an ensemble and welcoming everyone to join us, we immerse ourselves in theatre, hoping to become better artists and collaborators, on and offstage. We work hard; we have fun; and we embrace the friendships that evolve from our projects.

## Sponsored club events:

- Little Shop of Horrors
- Mr. Burns A Post-Electric play
- Select students participated in a staged reading of Kira Mason's play, "Insomniacs", at Playhouse on Park in West Hartford
- Workshops with Sea Tee Improv
- Collaboration with Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence, Aguibou Bougabali Sanou



# STEM Club

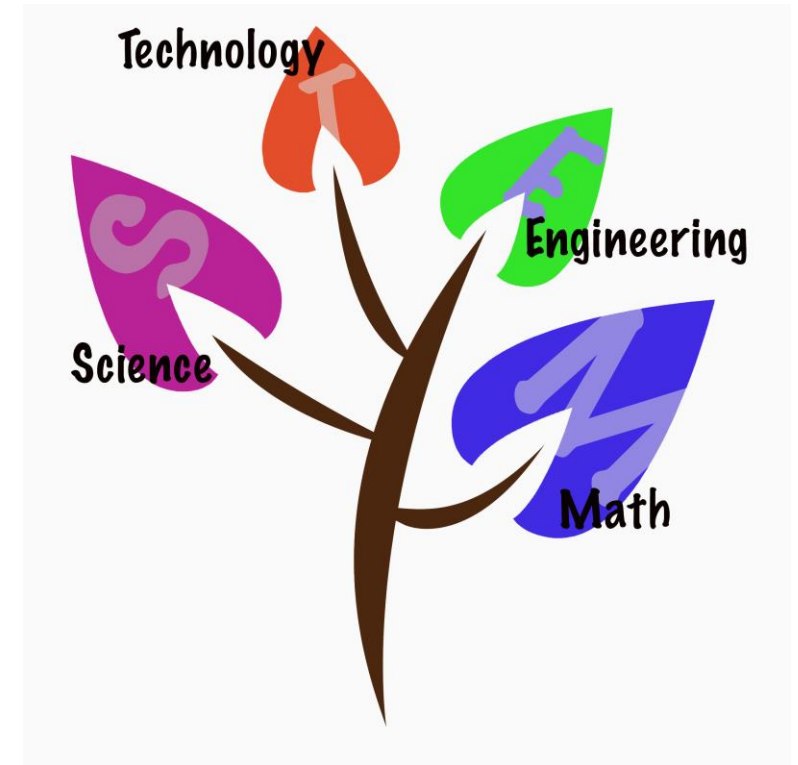
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## Mission Statement:

To support student's interest in STEM and help students learn more about STEM careers.

## Sponsored club events:

- Attend STEM conferences
- Meet other students
- Tutoring help
- Created a STEM fair for the community



# Student Nurses Club

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## Mission Statement:

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote community service, fellowship, networking and support for the members.

## Sponsored club events:

- Peer Support
- Community Service
- Family Night
- Blood Drive

# Student Physical Therapist Assistant Club

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## Mission Statement:

The purpose of this organization shall be to support the educational experience and professional growth of the PTA Student while instilling the APTA (American Physical Therapy Association) Core Values of Accountability, Altruism, Compassion/Caring, Excellence, Professionalism, Professional Duty, and Social Responsibility.

## Sponsored club events:

- Community Service
- Food drives
- Conferences
- Fundraisers



# Tamarack Magazine

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## Mission Statement:

Our mission, as it says on our front page, is to publicize news—of the campus and the world—to be a voice of our campus. This is a charge we do not take lightly. In the current divisive atmosphere, we make every effort to maintain journalistic integrity, to provide factual news and insightful opinion. We also take seriously our focus on issues of social justice. Each issue covers topics of importance, balanced with arts and culture features. In bringing a monthly newspaper to readers, we hope to highlight the good work of our colleagues at NVCC—students, faculty, and staff—and to further polish the reputation of the College in the Greater Waterbury area and beyond. Working as a creative team, Tamarack staff members meet the goals of developing important skills of communication, collaboration, and critical thinking. We are honored to carry on the proud tradition of this publication.

The Tamarack has remained dedicated to issues of importance to the College community and the broader communities beyond our campus. We've continued to take on topics of global importance, including social justice issues, such as gender equity, systemic racism, immigration, the environment, mental illness, homelessness, and others. In this way, we hope to raise awareness and enlighten our readers in a cultural environment where truth is often challenged. We remain committed to elevating the level of knowledge and conversation on things that matter.



# Terpsichorean Dance Ensemble

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## Mission Statement:

The Mission Statement of the Terpsichorean Dance Ensemble at Naugatuck Valley Community College is to provide creative freedom in all styles of dance and establish a strong community and friendship in the common interest of dance.

## Sponsored club events:

- Dance Showcase
- Raised Public Awareness on Mental Health
- Dance Concert
- Recruit
- Performances at club events





# Veteran's Club

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## Mission Statement:

To be a self-sustaining resource for matriculating veterans' by providing a variety of services, including SGA representation, college-mediation, fundraising, hospitality and information dissemination, while fostering a general awareness, respect and support for all veterans.

## Sponsored club events:

- 9/11 Memorial Services
- Veterans Day Services
- Community Service



# Wave Outreach Club

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## Mission Statement:

Wave Club provides students with meaningful opportunities that foster and encourage social and environmental awareness.

## Sponsored club events:

- Volunteers at St. Vincent de Paul soup Kitchen
- Host fall bake sale
- Visit local Convalescent homes and participate with Arts and Crafts and Games.
- Volunteered at Wildlife Rescue animal shelter.

