

## ***This Week in Core 100***

The Core 100 program invites students and faculty from the College to join us for our weekly lecture series. Each week all of the first year students participate in lecture-discussions in groups of about 400 of their classmates. We have space in the Williamson Theater to accommodate individual guests (no permission needed) and can have as many as two additional classes at each of the weekday lectures (there is no space available in the Lecture Hall where Saturday sections meet for their group lecture). No permission for classes to attend, but please notify Donna Scimeca (x3405) if you plan to bring a class.

The weekday lectures are 50 minutes and are all in the Williamson Theater. They meet on the following days/times: **Wednesdays at 12:20PM & 2:30PM**; on **Thursdays at 9:05AM, 11:15AM, 5:30PM, & 6:30PM**; and on **Saturdays at 10:30AM** in the Lecture Hall.

### **Schedule of Lectures for the week of February 3, 2014**

#### **Wednesday, Feb. 5:**

**1:25 PM & 3:35PM Lectures: "Origins of the American Revolution" presented by Joseph Frusci**

A discussion of the ideas of natural rights, democracy and republicanism, as well as the role they played in the American Revolution.

**Joseph Frusci**, has an MA in History and served as a Prior Service Army National Guardsman, and has been teaching with the Core program for two years. He is the author of "**2008 Bailout**" the newest Reacting to the Past game, which engages students in the complexities of the economic crisis of 2008.

#### **Thursday, Feb. 6:**

**9:05 AM & 11:15AM : "New York City and the Revolution" presented by Victor Miller**

In the summer of 1776 British forces arrived in NYC, with the largest invasion force ever assembled until this time. The lecture will focus on the Battle of Brooklyn and how it relates to sites in modern day Kings County. The presentation will then analyze what life was like for patriots under British occupation, discussing the atrocities that occurred on prison ships in Wallabout Bay.

**Victor Miller** earned his BA in History, and MS in Education from the College of Staten Island. He has been teaching Core since January 2012. He is the author of "**Summer of '87**," a Reacting to the Past game on the topic of the Constitutional Convention.

**5:30 PM & 6:30 PM: "The Battle of Trenton and Its Importance in the American Revolution" presented by Michael Matthews**

Topics will include the advantages of the British forces, the state of the Continental Army under George Washington, the strategy decided upon by Washington and the ultimate battle at Trenton.

**Michael Matthews**, earned a BA and a MA degree in History from Brooklyn College, a MBA from Fordham University, and also has a ABD in Modern World History from St. John's University.