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Cosponsored Events

- **December 7, 2020** from 6:00-7:00 p.m. RIT Alumni Relations, SCB, and Collaboratory for Resiliency & Recovery – Zoom Videoconference -- **Critical Thinking - Hospitality & Tourism in Times of Crisis**: Join RIT hospitality & tourism management faculty and alumni as they discuss how hospitality businesses, specifically lodging properties, have dealt with different dynamics presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. Panelists include **Scott Ingwers BS '88** (Hotel & Resort Mgmt.) - Regional VP at Trump Hotels, Honolulu County, Hawaii; **Rick McKeown BS '01** (Hotel & Resort Mgmt.) - Complex GM at Ocean Properties, Key West, FL; and **Harvey Stern BS '84** (Hotel & Resort Mgmt.) – Exec. Dir. of Catering & Banquets at Bellagio, Las Vegas, NV. The webinar will be moderated by **Rick Lagiewski**,

Ph.D. (Assistant Professor, Saunders College of Business Department of International Hospitality & Service Innovation). [REGISTER HERE](#)

A Few Thoughts

- **In this issue we meet:**
 - **Dan Hickey**, Assistant Director, Academic Success Center, Student Affairs and College Course Advancement Team (CATs). At RIT for the past 23 years Dan has a focus on transition to college and student success Read more [HERE](#).
 - **Linda Bryant**, Director, NTID Office of Online Learning and College Course Advancement Team (CATs). A Native Rochesterian, Graduate of Nazareth College, Gallaudet University, and University of Rochester. Read more [HERE](#).

Fram Finds

- **Classroom Assessment Techniques**: Vanderbilt's in-class activities designed to give you and your students useful feedback on the teaching/learning process as it is happening. [HERE](#).

From Gene Fram

- **"Wikipedia, 'Jeopardy!'", and the Fate of the Fact"**, The New Yorker, November 23, 2020, by Louis Menard. Dr. Menard. In the Internet age, it can seem as if there's no reason to remember anything. But information doesn't always amount to knowledge. Read more [HERE](#).
- **"How Your Brain Tricks You Into Taking Risks During the Pandemic"**, ProPublica, November 2, 2020, by Marshall Allen and Meg Marco. Experts who study the way we think and make decisions say that it can be more than politics driving our decision-making this year. The unprecedented nature of the pandemic undermines how we process information and assess risk. Need proof? Look around. Read more [HERE](#).
- **"Why Do Smart People Do Foolish Things?"**, Scientific American, October 3, 2017, by Heather A. Butler. Intelligence is not the same as critical thinking—and the difference matters. Read more [HERE](#).
- **"To combat conspiracy theories teach critical thinking – and community values"**, Univ. of Cambridge Judge Business School, November 27, 2020, by Dr. Thomas Roulet. In the era of social media, conspiracy theories feel more prominent and prevalent than ever before. Combat the spread by teaching critical thinking in school. Read more [HERE](#).

