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STCC unveils spring Ovarions Series lineup

SPRINGFIELD – The Springfield Technical Community College announces the spring lineup for the Ovarions Educational and Cultural Event series.

The Ovarions Series is sponsored by The Chicopee Savings Bank Endowment for Academic Excellence, the Office of Academic Affairs and the Honors Program at STCC. The events are all free and open to the public.

Professor and author, Elizabeth Stodeur Pryor, will discuss her article “Etymology of (the n-word): Resistance, Language, and the Politics of Freedom in the Antebellum North” Feb. 13 at 10:10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m., in Scibelli Hall Theater: Stodeur Pryor is an associate professor of history at Smith College. The article won the Ralph D. Gray Prize for the best article of 2016 in the *Journal of the Early Republic*.

Author/Illustrator and National

Book Award nominee Jarrett J. Krosoczka, will be at STCC March 28 at 11 a.m., in Scibelli Hall Theater: Krosoczka, who was raised in Worcester, has published nearly 30 books and is a two-time winner of Children’s Choice Awards, Third to Fourth Grade. His graphic memoir, “Hey, Kiddo,” a recent nominee for the National Book Award, tells the story of growing up in an unusual household.

Dorothy Jordan Pryor Award will be presented April 3 at 12:15 p.m., 7th Floor, Scibelli Hall: The Dorothy Jordan Pryor Award is given to an STCC member has had an impact on STCC and the community beyond. This year’s recipient, Ruth Butler, an instructor in the STCC cosmetology program, will accept the award on behalf of the entire program, which has lent its skills to numerous non-profit events in the community.