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**Members of the Muskegon Community College Community**  
Muskegon Community College is on the move. Thanks to the support of our generous donors, visionary public support, and alumni like you, MCC is undergoing its most significant infrastructure expansion and renewal since the College located its main campus at Marquette and Quarterline

Roads in 1967. I am gratified the College has secured several major gifts, grants, and appropriations, including:

- A \$4.1 million grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, the largest infrastructure grant in the College's 89-year history. This funding supports equipment to be purchased for the Downtown Center (\$3.8 million) and the Newaygo County Center (\$300,000).
- A \$4.6 million Michigan State Capital Outlay appropriation, the largest infrastructure appropriation in the College's history. This funding supports the construction of a new Science Center and a major renovation of existing space.
- A \$550,000 gift from Jonathan Rooks and Nick and Ashley Sarnicola, gifting the former Muskegon Masonic Temple (Mr. Rooks) to the College and providing a major entrepreneurial start-up fund (the Sarnicolos). To be named the Rooks | Sarnicola Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies, this constitutes the largest *private* gift in the College's history.
- A \$24 million bond authorization approved by the voters of Muskegon County to provide foundational support for all projects.

These new and renovated spaces are designed by students, faculty, staff and regional business partners. We are thrilled our students will enjoy a state-of-the-art learning environment for years to come. Particular thanks go to the College Board of Trustees for providing a guiding hand to assure we were able to reach this point in the College's history. Want more details? Here you go:

**Our Science Center** – Opening in the fall of 2015, comprises a 20,000 square foot building housing our Life Sciences department and gives a major renovation to our Respiratory Therapy, Physics, Math, Geology, Astronomy, Chemistry and related spaces. Our regional healthcare, chemical, and environmental business partners, among others, will benefit greatly. A grand opening is planned for the Science Center on August 21, 2015, and we would love to show you around during this all-day, family-friendly event. Please call the office of Dr. John Selmon, V.P. for Student Services and Administration, for more information on tours of the Science Center and other spaces. Watch MCC's webpage at [www.muskegoncc.edu](http://www.muskegoncc.edu) for updates.

**Our Health and Wellness Center** – Construction, renovation and expansion is planned to begin by fall at the 47-year-old Bartels-Rode Gymnasium, the most heavily used building on campus. The 60,000 sq. ft. expansion and additional improvements to this facility will allow the College to expand current offerings and implement new programs such as Health Sciences and Recreation

Management Transfer Pathways. Our community partners in the allied health, fitness, and athletic areas will benefit greatly from this renovation and expansion. Power Wellness, a nationally respected fitness and wellness management services firm, has been selected to manage the new center. The new facility is expected to be completed by Fall 2016.

**MCC Downtown Center** – In the majestic former Muskegon Chronicle press building, MCC plans to house advanced manufacturing and technology programs, currently located in the Technology wing constructed in 1967. It is our goal that in addition to housing these much-needed programs, it will serve as a much needed catalyst to economic development in the downtown area. Regional manufacturing, automotive, engineering, aerospace, and related business partners will benefit greatly from this project. MCC has agreed to retain the Chronicle's extensive archives room and protect that history for the community. The architects (C2AE/MMA/Prein Newhof) are working with faculty on completion of the Schematic Design and Programming phase of the project. The renovations are expected to be completed by Fall 2017.

The **Rooks | Sarnicola Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies** will be housed in the former Muskegon Masonic Temple adjacent to the former Muskegon Chronicle building. Students with a degree or certificate in entrepreneurship will be able to compete for startup funding for their innovative business ideas, starting in 2017. In addition, it will house an expanded Barnes and Noble Book center, a credit union, and a multifunction "black box" presentation and performance space.

The College will renovate its existing technology building to house its new **Arts Center**. The plan is to seek architectural services as early as July 2015 and begin renovation work in the Applied Technology Building in the Winter 2016 semester. Current and future programs that will benefit include Art, Band, Broadcasting, Communication, Dance, Entrepreneurship in the Arts, General Education, Humanities, Journalism/New Media, Music, Theater, Performing Arts and Visual Arts. The renovations are expected to be completed by Fall 2018.

Thank you for everything you do to make Muskegon Community College the best choice for higher education in West Michigan. I will keep you apprised of progress on our construction projects and other happenings on campus. In the meantime, please stop by my office at 400 Main Building, check for news on the MCC website ([muskegoncc.edu/build](http://muskegoncc.edu/build)) and also visit my blog ([presidentblog.muskegoncc.edu](http://presidentblog.muskegoncc.edu)).

**Dale K. Nesbary, Ph.D.**  
*President*  
*Muskegon Community College*

## MCC Women Second in Nation Academically

Not only a power on the cross country trails, MCC women's team is among the nation's elite in the classroom. Out of the 92 women's teams that competed in the NJCAA, MCC ranked second highest combined GPA this season. The Jayhawks' 3.711 GPA was a fraction (0.045) behind Spartanburg (S.C.) Methodist College as the best in the U.S. Five of the athletes on the squad were named Academic All-Americans for earning a 3.40 or higher.

"It's pretty awesome that they had a top finish (14th in the nation) at the national meet and that they had the second highest academic grade point of any women's junior college cross country team in the U.S.," said MCC Head Coach Dan Fishel. "That's phenomenal. They are very deserving. Their hard work and dedication paid off. I am very proud to be their coach."

## MCC Nursing Grads Exceed State, National Averages

In 2014, the Muskegon Community College Nursing Program graduates continue to be among the best. They once again exceeded both Michigan and national averages on their first time pass rates on the National Council Licensing Examination for RNs and LPNs.

On the NCLEX-PN, Muskegon Community College graduates had a perfect 100% first time pass rate, compared to just 87.3% in Michigan and 82.16% nationally. Meanwhile, on the NCLEX-RN exam, MCC graduates enjoyed a 93.51% first time pass rate versus 83.3% in Michigan and 81.79% in the nation. In all, MCC awarded 76 Associate Degrees in Nursing and 63 Practical Nurse Diplomas in 2014.

## MCC Students Earn Second at AFS Competition

Vying against major universities, Muskegon Community College placed second, capturing a \$1,000 award, in the 77th Annual Wisconsin Regional Foundry Conference and Exposition casting competition held Feb. 12 in conjunction with American Foundry Society (AFS) meeting in Milwaukee, WI.

Three MCC applied technology students – Caleb Schuitema, Tony Wortleboer and Bob

Phleeger – represented the AFS Student Chapter of MCC in Milwaukee, along with MCC Instructor Mark Houston, who teaches the Basic Cast Metals course. The students designed and produced a sand-casted tow block for MCC's 192-volt, world record-setting electric dragster, Short Circuit.

"The tow block allows the dragster to move laterally more easily at the track without damaging the front tires," said MCC Instructor Jeff Johnston, who is the AFS Chapter advisor. "It helps reduce the turning radius and prevent damage to the vehicle between runs."

## MCC Partners with MACTC on Award-Winning Program

MCC's David Stradal, who chairs the MCC Business Department and Entrepreneurial Studies Program, joined Muskegon Area Career Tech Center (MACTC) Instructors Kathy Andrews and Sandy Goodrich as they received a 2015 College & Career Readiness Initiative Excellence in Practice Award on Feb. 2 at the Michigan Career Education Conference in Grand Rapids.

The award, presented by Michigan Governor Rick Snyder, recognizes successful exemplary state-approved Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs that demonstrate outstanding outcomes, produce measurable results, and lead to documented success in employment or postsecondary education/training.

"I am pleased to see that MACTC students who participated in last year's pilot program are now enrolled in MCC's entrepreneur program," said Stradal, who was recognized as a 2014 Agent of Change by the Muskegon Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce. "Their career goals of creating their own local businesses will have a positive impact on the future of our region."

## Char Parker Named Statewide 2014 Outstanding Educator

Longtime Muskegon Community College faculty member Char Parker has been selected as the 2014 recipient of the Outstanding Educator Award from the Michigan Occupational Deans Administrative Council. She was recognized at the Trends in Occupational Studies Conference Oct. 16, 2014 at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa in Acme, MI. The annual award honors Michigan community

college educators for excellence in the classroom, professional achievements, and service to their respective colleges.

"Teaching is my passion and it is wonderful to receive this prestigious award honoring my efforts to promote student success in the area of computer programming," said Parker.

"Char is really deserving of this award because she not only engages her students, she cares about their learning," said Teresa Sturru, MCC Vice President for Academic Affairs and Finance.

A Muskegon native and graduate of Muskegon High School, Parker earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Information Systems from Aquinas College and a master's degree in Education Leadership from Western Michigan University.

Now in her 13th year of teaching at MCC, Parker currently teaches Introduction to Personal Computers, Introduction to Computer Information Systems (CIS), File Design and Utilities for Midrange Computers, Operations and Commands for Midrange Computers, RPG Programming, Advanced RPG Programming, C Programming, and Java Programming.

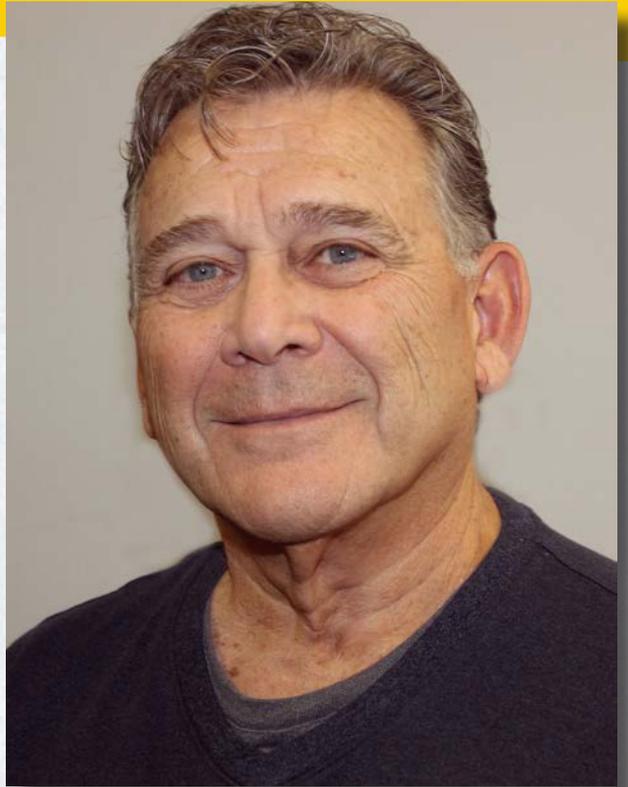
"In the classroom, the instructor is continuously pushing students out of their comfort zone and trying new teaching methodologies to provide the best experience," wrote one former student. "She has a willingness to always put time aside for students, and she has a passion for improving student opportunities in the field of CIS. She has the ability to break down difficult concepts into simple, sometimes silly, examples that are easier to understand. She maintains a positive attitude in the face of difficult students and is a fantastic person all around."



# Carlo Spataro

## Named Distinguished Teaching Faculty

By Peter D. Koryzno  
MCC Communications Manager



Carlo Spataro, who shaped MCC's new Speech and Theater Program in the mid-1960s and served as its guiding force for many of his 44 years on campus, was honored with the rank of Distinguished Teaching Faculty by the MCC Board of Trustees at its April meeting.

The indefatigable Albany, N.Y. native retired in January 2010 after having directed more than 100 plays in Overbrook Theater, including the very first one. He served as a humanities instructor in his later years.

A former elementary teacher who earned his bachelor's degree in education from State University of New York College at Cortland, Spataro loved bringing theater to younger audiences. From 1963-65, he directed Monroe (Mich.) High School students in cutting edge shows. At MCC, he annually produced one play primarily targeted to elementary student audiences. His MCC students toured and performed in the Upper Peninsula at the invitation of school superintendents there.

Spataro earned a master's degree in speech and theater from Purdue University and a Ph.D. in theater from Michigan State University.

In 1965, MCC hired him to transform theater from an extracurricular activity to become a part of the curriculum as a combination of speech and theater. His

arrival coincided with the construction of the current MCC campus. Spataro ranks his input into the design of Overbrook Theater, which opened in 1969, among his notable accomplishments at MCC.

"Also, the fact that we did quality theater, very challenging theater, at the community college level," he added. "Some theater that even college and universities were not doing. And, I think, doing it reasonably well, not just schlock or hackneyed versions. That was an outstanding accomplishment"

Reviewing a list of his all-time MCC plays, Spataro recalled their scope, enterprise, professionalism, and relevance. He directed MCC plays about destroying the environment, the Vietnam War, and other social issues, as well as musicals. He produced a one-act theater of the absurd in the present-day MCC music room. He brought lights and bleachers outdoors to stage the Greek play, "Medea," as it was originally performed. He supervised Big Time Buck White, an all-African American play with a student director. He never shunned controversy, which at times surrounded some of his productions, such as "Dusa, Fish, Stas and Vi" and "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail."

Spataro pointed to MCC's participation in the American College Theater Festival (ACTF) and the College's willingness to

produce original plays as additional career milestones. For decades, MCC was only one of two community colleges in the region – which encompassed Michigan, Pennsylvania and parts of Ohio and Indiana – to participate in the ACTF competitions, which encouraged producing new plays.

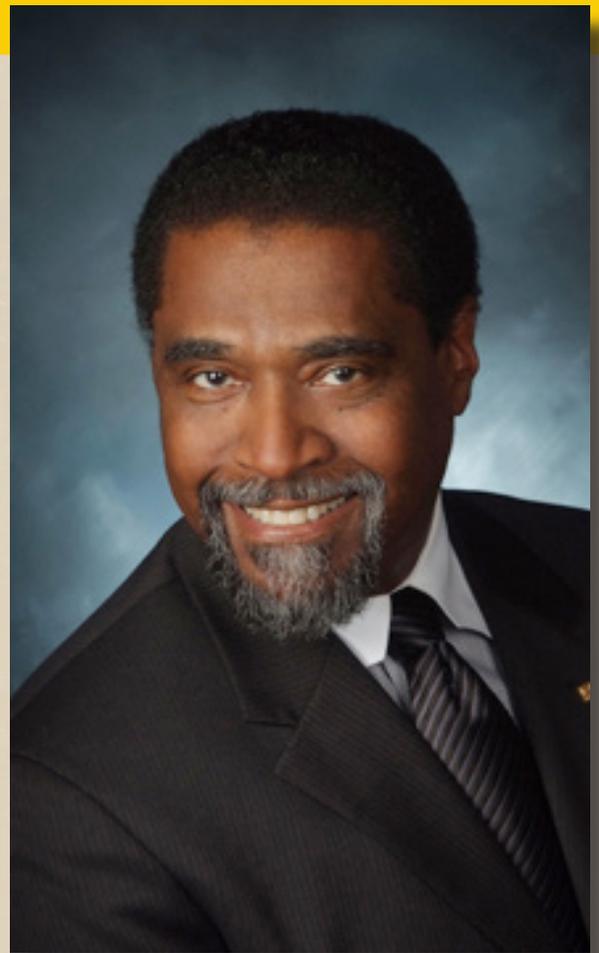
"Our staff tried to do a variety of styles and periods of plays that were good theater, even in the choice of originals," explained Spataro.

He inspired many MCC students to pursue careers in theater. Some became theatrical directors, designers and performers in the local communities, while others made their artistic mark nationally.

"I started the humanities program at MCC and wound up teaching general humanities for many, many years," added Spataro, who also developed the Acting for TV and Film course at the college. "Many students remember me as their humanities teacher."

"I loved it here. I got to do so many creative things I would not have had an opportunity to do any place else. One of the things that was special was the faculty. When I retired, we had 13 Ph.Ds on the staff. For a community college, that's not bad. A lot of us who first came here in the mid-1960s were in our late 20s. We used to think of it as a stepping stone to four-year colleges and universities, but every one of us stayed here."

# Darnell Earley Awarded 2015 Distinguished Alumni



Muskegon native Darnell Earley, the current emergency manager of Detroit Public Schools and a former city manager in Flint and Saginaw, has been named the 2015 Muskegon Community College Distinguished Alumni Award recipient.

He is the past president of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA), which has almost 9,000 members in 30 countries around the world.

After graduating in 1969 from Muskegon Heights High School, Earley left Michigan to seek his fortune in Los Angeles. Not finding it there, he returned to Muskegon in 1970.

"I was working at Howmet, and was eventually laid off," said Earley. "It was then I decided I needed an education to keep a job." Earley then took classes off and on until 1973 at MCC, eventually going full-time to achieve his associate's degree in 1975.

"I realized I had to get an education to compete, and from MCC I got the discipline to study and learn, and be a part of that whole educational environment," said Earley. "I'm proud of the Michigan

community college system. It helped re-focus my life toward the value of education."

Earley earned a bachelor's degree from Grand Valley State University and a master's degree from Western Michigan University.

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He began his professional career as the Director of Community Development for the Urban League of Muskegon. He soon moved on to become administrative assistant to the Muskegon County Administrator, as well as the County's Equal Employment Opportunity officer.

His extensive career in public administration over the last 35-plus years has included many high-profile professional positions, such as the deputy county controller for administrative services and budget in

Ingham County, director of research, public policy staff for the Michigan House of Representatives, and township manager of Buena Vista (Michigan).

"Darnell Earley has a legacy of success in dealing with municipal challenges in the state of Michigan," said Gov. Rick Snyder after appointing him this January. "He has done outstanding work in Flint, Saginaw and wherever he has gone."

In the 1980s and early 90s, Earley showed his dedication to higher education as an adjunct faculty member at Grand Valley State University in the School of Public, Nonprofit and Health Administration. In 2011, he received the Western Michigan University College of Arts and Sciences – School of Public Affairs and Administration Alumni Achievement Award.

Established in 1998, the award is the highest honor that MCC bestows upon outstanding alumni whose professional achievements, community service, and advocacy of higher education exemplify the foremost ideals of their alma mater. The honorees are selected by the MCC Alumni Relations Committee.

# German Exchange Program

## *A 20-year history of partnership*



**Going on twenty years**, Muskegon Community College and Kaufmännische Schule Stuttgart Nord (KSN) a technical college in Stuttgart, Germany have been exchanging students and faculty. The exchange includes visits to cultural and historical sites as well as local businesses.

MCC students and leaders spend their time in Germany with their host families, hiking in the Alps, floating down the Neckar River, touring 1200 year old castles and visiting businesses such as Daimler, Porsche and Ritter Sport in the Stuttgart area. In return, the German group then travels to West Michigan and tours the Muskegon Community College campus, the city of Muskegon, Pere Marquette Park, Meijer and the Lakes Mall. Traveling to Grand Rapids they visit Hanon McKendry, the B.O.B., Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum, Amway Headquarters and Meijer Gardens.

The German Exchange Program is a great opportunity for MCC students and offers insight into our different cultures and business practices over the years. Not only is it a wonderful experience but another way to meet and connect with new people.

"The relationship between MCC and KSN has given students on both sides of the Atlantic a unique view of international business, and has created lasting friendships," said MCC International Coordinator Kathy Tosa.



# Meet Michigan's ONLY Community College Pep Band

*By Peter D. Koryzno  
MCC Communications Manager*

**“The Jayhawk Sound had a dozen musicians turn out that first year and has buoyed to as many as 25 in subsequent seasons.”**



Front row, left right, Emily Cramer – Flute; Tosha Vander K...  
Alto Saxophone; Michael Geluso – Alto Saxophone/Percus...  
Sweet – Mellophone; Tyler Wehner – Trumpet; Elisha MCC

**W**hile spectators are pleasantly surprised to discover a pep band at a community college sporting event, opposing coaches dread the edge that the Jayhawk Sound gives MCC's volleyball and basketball squads inside Bartels-Rode Gymnasium.

“Teams hate coming to Muskegon to play and a large part of that home court advantage is due to the Jayhawk Sound,” noted MCC Coach Rick Rykse, whose powerhouse women's volleyball squads are a near-perfect 33-2 at home. “It helps our team get fired up and also gets the crowd more involved. When opposing coaches spend more time complaining about the Jayhawk Sound than they do coaching, it's always to our advantage.”

The brainchild of MCC Music Director Daniel Meyers, Jayhawk Sound is Michigan's only community college pep band. The group traces its roots to 2010, Meyer's first year on campus. A four-sport athlete at Manistee Catholic High, Meyers played in and directed pep bands at the University of Michigan, where he and his college roommate organized the first one for home Wolverines' women's basketball games.



Kooi – Clarinet; Hanna Schmiereknecht – Percussion; Marc Dobberstein – Horn; and Andrew Moulds – Tuba. Second row, left to right: Director Daniel M. Meyers; Darwin McMurray – Saxophone; and Cassidy Arkema – Bari Saxophone. Back row, left to right: Jack Harrison – Trumpet; and Deja Dawkins – Trumpet. Not pictured are: Joseph Dixon – Tenor Saxophone; Lydia Sweet – Trumpet; AJ Olmstead – Euphonium; and AJ Olmstead – Euphonium.

At MCC, he pitched his idea to Athletics Director Marty McDermott, who loved it. The college’s president, Dale Nesbary, a former trombone player in Michigan State University’s bands, was an easy sell.

“It’s all about the environment,” said Meyers. “You are there to support the team but you are creating this environment for the spectator, too. It’s not just making noise.”

The Jayhawk Sound had a dozen musicians turn out that first year and has buoyed to as many as 25 in subsequent seasons. The challenge, said Meyers, is getting students to volunteer and commit their time around a fluctuating home sports schedule. Lugging percussion and keyboard equipment from Overbrook to the gymnasium can sometimes add up to three hours per contest, especially on snowy evenings. Some students play for a college credit, but most love the excitement and the mixture of watching collegiate contests and the chance to perform crowd-pleasing, familiar “jock rock” melodies.

“I like the YMCA song because everyone knows it and likes singing to it,” said MCC student trumpet player Lydia Sweet, a Reeths Puffer High grad who’s been playing since fifth grade. “We’ll play ‘Thriller’ and the people will do the scream in it. It’s funny because you don’t know what to expect.”

Fellow trumpeter, Jack Harrison from Kent City, has been approached by parents from MCC’s foes. “They wish that we could come and play for their team. They appreciate us being there and keeping the atmosphere going.”

Meyers chooses selections from a playlist that has grown to 42 songs. There are also “shorts,” such as “Let’s Go Blue,” for the brief timeouts. When he formed Jayhawk Sound, Meyers scoured the archives and found out that MCC has a decades-old school song - Margaret Erickson’s “Let’s Go Jayhawks” - without any lyrics. He has folks working on words for the melody and hopes to unveil those lyrics in the fall.

The Jayhawk Sound performers all credit the gregarious Meyers with making the experience fun. As he recruits the area’s 40-plus high schools, Meyers meets with scholastic musicians and promotes Jayhawk Sound among the many options available to them in MCC’s robust music program. With more students participating, the group can perform at both basketball games – instead of one – when the women and men play on the same night, said Meyers.

“I’m not near where I want to be with Jayhawk Sound yet,” he concluded. “I want to be even more integral to the game.”

# Renaissance Man, SCOTT MUND

Muskegon Community College boasts many accomplished alumni. Scott Mund, a Muskegon native and resident, is one of those outstanding graduates.

Scott's passion for learning and communication may have well begun as early as the sixth grade when he earned his novice license for ham radio communication. Completing high school in 1981, Scott attended Muskegon Community College, taking chemistry and calculus classes. While his educational path and life experiences began right here at MCC in 1981, this inquisitive young man would go on to many other universities as he set out on his journey. In the first years of college, Scott thought he wanted to go into chemical engineering until he got hooked on economics; however, after taking a political science class with Richard Charles Ford, he decided that law seemed like an intriguing career, so he went on to the University of Denver where he earned his law degree. Michigan State, Monash University in Melbourne, Australia; University of Denver, University of Michigan, and City University of N.Y. (CUNY) have contributed to Scott's formal education. Scott holds degrees in economics, international relations, psychology, MA; law, Doctorate; with graduate studies in techniques for teaching English as a foreign language (TEFL). Even with these advanced degrees, Scott returned to MCC this year for writing assistance as he planned his latest endeavor.

The Wanderlust Travel Blog, which includes stories, anecdotes, restaurant reviews, and solid travel information for both the world traveler and the "arm chair" traveler is Scott's latest accomplishment. His vast knowledge, travel savvy, and quick wit invite the reader to explore his informative and entertaining articles. This blog will enable the subscriber to see the world through Scott's eyes, interact online, as well as explore other informative links such as (1) travel hacks; (2) the psychology of travel; (3) local libations—worldwide wines, beers, spirits, coffees, and teas; (4) travel experiences—his past, present, and future trips, and other trips that might interest you; (5) science, nature, and religion; and (6) interviews with locals and fellow travelers

(called "Colorful Characters" on the blog). You can "Like" his Facebook page at Scott Mund (Writer) and follow him on Twitter at @WandVagabondUS.

This Renaissance man shared with us, "I have traveled to 27 countries so far and studied or worked in Australia, France, Japan, and Switzerland. I've worked as an English teacher in Japan, a psychology intern, a mediator and as a lawyer." He is fluent in Japanese, resuscitating his French language skills, and most recently, intensively studying Spanish. In his free time Scott enjoys reading various genres of non-fiction (law, psychology, politics, religion, science). Tasting wines and beers from around the world, listening to world music, and walking West Michigan's many hiking trails are among his likes.

Although he is currently residing in Muskegon, Scott's travels are far from over. His objective is to take advantage of various opportunities to earn a living through lawyering, consulting, and writing while continuing to travel the world as he arranges his own work schedule. He hopes to visit Latin America in early 2016, especially Cuba, Argentina, and Brazil (for Carnival in Rio).

Visit Scott's Wanderlust Vagabond blog at [www.thewanderlustvagabondusa.com](http://www.thewanderlustvagabondusa.com)



Riding a camel at the Giza Pyramids in Egypt (1989)

## Alumni News

### 1960s

#### Larry A. Feldt (1962)

Retired from a private dental practice, MCC alumnus Larry Feldt is now horse breeding on Green Acres Farm. Larry earned his Associate's Degree in Science while studying pre-dental and continued his education at Michigan State where he received his Bachelor's Degree and the University of Detroit receiving his DDS, Doctor of Dental Surgery. Larry now has a set of twin daughters and four grandchildren, two of which are twins.

#### Edwin Carter (1964)

Edwin studied Business and earned his Associate's Degree at MCC then transferred to Western Michigan University. Sadly, Edwin is widowed and is now retired from Halo Branded Solutions.

### 1970s

#### David Johnson (1972)

David took night classes beginning in 1966 through 1972, he studied Marketing Middle Management and earned his Associate's Degree. As a student he was active in JC's and Advanced Art Associates. David's favorite memory of the time he spent at MCC was the great times with his fellow students, and the great instructors that helped him get through rough times. He held three jobs and got custody of his two-year-old daughter and still managed to get his Associate's Degree. Today David is retired from Stylewood Industries, LLC.

#### Michael A. Cavalier, Jr. (1976)

Michael studied Sociology at MCC and earned his Associate's Degree and then transferred to Grand Valley State University where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree. The friends he made at MCC were certainly a highlight. Recently, Michael retired from the County of Muskegon.

#### Deborah (Kelley) Randall (1979)

After studying education at MCC, Deborah Randall attended the University of Southern California in 1988 and made her way back to West Michigan earning her Masters Degree in Education at Grand Valley

University in 1999. Her favorite memory of MCC is her time spent as a work study working as a computer operator. Today Deborah lives in Virginia.

#### **Gail Mari Jones (1979)**

Gail studied Music and Arts at MCC for two years and transferred to Michigan State University. While at MCC Gail took part in Collegiates. One of her favorite memories of attending Muskegon Community College was having the exceptional vocal conductor, Larry Gray as a professor. Due to disability Gail is now retired.

## **1980s**

#### **Sherry L. Bragg (1986)**

While attending MCC Amy received her Legal Secretary Certificate after taking 65 credits. Outside of the classroom, she was a teammate on the MCC basketball and volleyball teams. Benton Harbor Area Schools is her current place of employment.

#### **Maureen Reilly (1981)**

While attending Muskegon Community College, Maureen studied Liberal Arts where she earned her Associate's, she then transferred and earned her Bachelor's and Master's Degree. Today she is working at a church as the director of religious education.

#### **Shawn Freeman (1989)**

Shawn, who currently works at Dassault Systemes – SIMULIA, earned his ASA at MCC and transferred to the University of Michigan. At U of M he received his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees of Science in Engineering.

## **1990s**

#### **Leslie (Elkins) Jolman (1994)**

Leslie began taking classes in 1991 studying Applied Science which she later received an Associate's Degree. Not only was Leslie a student at MCC she was also an athlete in not one, but two sports. Leslie played on the women's basketball team in 1991 through 1993 and volleyball team in 1991. Playing sports was definitely Leslie's favorite memory of the time she spent at MCC. Today she is an employee at Baker College.

#### **Tamara (Thaler) Jahnke (1994)**

Tamara worked in the tutoring center at MCC while studying Mathematics and Accounting and eventually earned her AAS degree. She is currently working at Gerber Life Insurance.

#### **Ivan Ivanov (1995)**

Ivan enrolled at MCC in 1993 and studied engineering, he then transferred to Grand Valley where he earned a Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering. Ivan is currently working at Century A & E. In his time at MCC he was involved in Student Government within the Admissions Office.

#### **Valerie (Rabe) Hanson (1999)**

While attending Muskegon Community College Valerie studied business and earned her Associate's Degree, then transferred to Baker College and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Business Leadership. Before MCC, she was a low-income stay-at-home mom. She went to MCC, studied all night with babies on her lap. The experience boosted her to top CEO of a child abuse agency and she now owns two businesses in the area of Montague, Michigan. Valerie's favorite class was Geology with a professor who called himself The Big Kahuna. She says he taught her more about how to learn and succeed than anyone else in her life. Valerie is currently the owner of Bygone Basics & Amanda's Bequest Bed & Breakfast.

## **2000s**

#### **Richard Grillo (2000)**

Richard began taking classes at MCC in 1998 studying Criminal Justice which he later earned a certificate in as well as an Associate's Degree. Today he is now working at the Meridian Township Police Department.

#### **David Potter (2000)**

David attended MCC off and on for a few years, studying communications and earned his Associate's Degree. He later transferred to Grand Valley State University.

#### **Amy (Krentz) King (2004)**

After earning her Industrial Electrical Maintenance Certificate from MCC, Amy is now employed at Shape Corp.

#### **Jamey Ross (2004)**

In 2002 Jamey began taking classes here at MCC studying graphic design and then transferred to Ferris State earning a Bachelor's degree. Today Jamey is working at Impact Analytical.

#### **Mark Fairfield (2004)**

Beginning in 1999 Mark took classes in Computer Science and earned a degree in Computer Applications, Science and Arts. Over the years he took 100 credits. Mark really enjoyed the classes and meeting new people at MCC. In 2009 Mark got married and last September his son Nathan was born. Mark is currently working at North Ottawa Community Health.

#### **Stefanie Binz (2005)**

Stefanie began taking classes in 1991 studying arts and science in which she later received an Associate's Degree. In her time at MCC Stefanie admired the positive atmosphere and great learning environment. She is now retired due to a disability.

#### **Stacey Hamilton (2007)**

Stacey studied Criminal Justice at MCC and earned her Associates Degree in Science and Art.

#### **David Swinburne (2007)**

David earned his Associates in Science and Arts from MCC in 2007 and transferred to Grand Valley State University. He is currently employed at Swin Consulting.

#### **Sidnei McCarty (2008)**

In high school Sidnei took advantage of the dual enrollment opportunity, she attended high school while taking classes at Muskegon Community College. In her four years of attending MCC she earned 60 credits and her Associate's Degree then transferred. She was involved in the Black Youth Conference committee, Black History Committee, Bay Window Newspaper, and MCC-TV host/producer "College 411." Sidnei is the founder of Sid Simone.com: an event staffing and marketing consulting firm where she is now working.

## 2010s

### Joanie Muckey (2010)

In 2005 Joanie began taking classes at Muskegon Community College; she studied information processing and received her AAD degree. While attending MCC she was active in the GEO club and Student Government. Joanie is now an employee at HGA Support Services.

### Virginia Cowherd (2011)

Virginia studied Criminal Justice here at MCC, and earned her Associate's in Liberal Arts & Science. She went on to earn a Bachelors of Science: Criminal Justice. Over the course of attending MCC she took a total of 63 credits, her favorite class she took was Humanities with Daniel Meyers. She was involved in the Gay Straight Alliance while she was a student. Today Virginia is a Child Welfare Specialist for the State of Michigan Department of Human Services.

### Joe Crawford (2011)

Joe earned 72 credits in his short time of attending MCC; he studied Computer Aided Drafting and Design and received

his Associate's Degree. One of his favorite memories here at MCC was testing their airplane projects in Product Design. Now Joe is employed at Bennett Pump Company in Spring Lake.

### Chris Graviano (2011)

Chris played on the Muskegon Community College Men's Baseball team while taking classes in 2009-2011. After obtaining his Associate's Degree at MCC he went on to Grand Valley to get his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice/Psychology. He is currently employed at Michigan Works as a career developer in Muskegon.

### Kayla Reynolds (2012)

In 2006 Kayla began taking classes at MCC taking on the MACRO agreement which led her to earn her Associate's Degree after taking 67 credits. While attending MCC Kayla took part in the Philosophy Club.

### Cindy L. Brown (2014)

Cindy attended MCC off and on throughout 2006-2014. She received her ASA in Early Childhood Education and a certificate for CDA infants and toddlers. Over the years she earned roughly 100 credits. Cindy is

now working at Mona Shores Community Child Care Center.

### Kirk J. Merrifield (2014)

Kirk studied at MCC from 1987-1989 and returned in 2012 and received a certificate. He is now employed at Anesthesmia Business Consultants.

### Randi Stuthard (2014)

Randi attended Muskegon Community College off and on throughout 2006 to 2014. While she was here she studied Early Childhood Education, received her Associate's Degree and a certificate for CDA Infants and Toddlers. Today Randi is working at Mona Shores Community Child Care Center.

### Barbara Wehnes (2014)

Barbara began taking classes in 1978 studying business and eventually earned an AAS degree in Marketing after taking 72 credits.

### Kayleigh Jones (2014)

Kayleigh enrolled at MCC in 2008 to study nursing, where she earned an Associate's Degree. Today she is working at Hackley Hospital.

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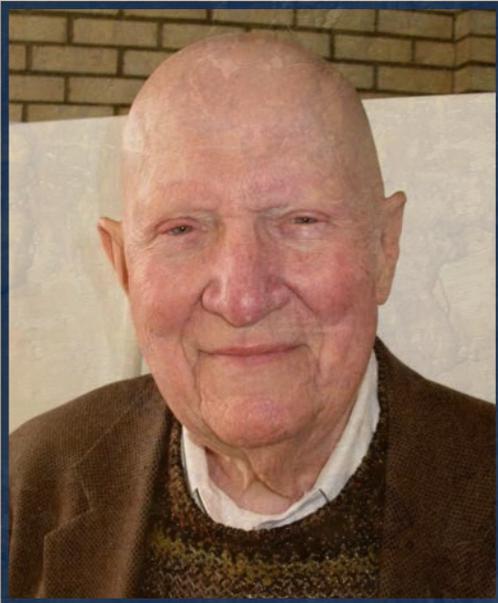
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We had so much fun last year, we're getting back on the boat! This year, the cruise is longer, the food more plentiful, and we'll still have great prizes and a ton of fun.



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## THOMAS OLSON, Dedicated Alumni Association Member



Thomas Olson, a 1949 graduate of MCC and long-time MCC Alumni Association Board Member, passed away March 3, 2015. He was born in Muskegon, Michigan to George and Dorothy (Poland) Olson. As a student at Muskegon High School he worked after school and on weekends at his family's business, Olson's Music House on Western Avenue. After Muskegon Community College he then completed his degree in Business at

Michigan State University. Tom joined the U.S. Navy and served in the Navy's Pacific Fleet during the Korean War. While stationed in London, England, he met and married his wife Ruth Stahl, who was also stationed in London as a Navy WAVE. They returned to Muskegon where Tom joined the family business, now Olson's Appliances.

# In Memoriam

## DON SEIFERT Remembered as Devoted MCC Advocate



Don Seifert, long-time member of the MCC Board of Trustees, passed away in December 2013. Don gave over 33 years of service to the college, retiring from the Board in 2002. At the time of his retirement, there were no more than three community college trustees in the entire state of Michigan who had served their colleges for a longer span of time. Don served twice as board chairman, and several times as treasurer. Don served through six MCC Presidents, and had dealt with a lot of strife over the years. He noted in a *Reflections*

article that the most difficult periods for him was back in the mid-1970s, when MCC lost two or three millage elections in a row. From the Muskegon High School Class of 1946, Don helped create one of MCC's long-standing scholarships, and always placed education affordability at the top of his priorities. To continue his legacy, the Community Foundation for Muskegon County received a generous bequest from the Donald A. and Mary L. Seifert Trust to the Foundation for Muskegon Community College Endowment Fund.



Zach Cooper

Megan Jean

# JAYHAWKS 2014-15 SEASON AT A GLANCE

## FALL

**WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY:** The Jayhawks placed 14th in the nation – their highest-ever finish– and were led by All-American Deanna Near who took 17th in the country, another MCC women's cross country milestone under Coach Dan Fishel.

**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY:** The team placed 27th nationally at the NCAA Championships in Lubbock, Texas. Jacob Baker, an all-Region XII and All-MCCAA runner, placed 56th in the country to narrowly miss earning All-American honors.

**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL:** Paced by first team all-region and all-conference players Meghan Birr and Brandie Jones, the Jayhawks posted a 24-15 record and advanced to the Region XII championship match. Morgan Kelley was selected to the MCCA All-Freshmen Team. Coach Rich Ryske's squad took second in the Western Conference.

**MEN'S SOCCER:** Jayhawk Aaron Dault was selected to the All-MCCA first team and the All-Region XII second team. The MCC men finished 4-14 overall.

**WOMEN'S SOCCER:** The 5-9 Jayhawks were led by first team All-Region XII and All-MCCA player Alyssa Benedict. Aliza Olsen was named All Region XII second team.

## WINTER

**WRESTLING:** The powerhouse Jayhawks placed sixth in the nation and had five All-Americans among 10 national qualifiers under Coach James Tietema. Zach Cooper (133 lbs.) took third, Donovan Fouchey (187 lbs.) took fifth, both Davon Jackson (165 lbs.) and LaVonte Perdue (184 lbs.) took sixth, and Mason Courtright (174 lbs.) was seventh nationally.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL:** Coach Dave Schlump's freshmen-laden Jayhawks finished 21-9 overall, took third in the conference and advanced to the regional semifinals. MCC guard Eddie Tornes, the Western Conference Freshman of the Year, was named both first team All-MCCAA and first team All-Region XII.



in the nation at the NJCAA Bowling Championships. DePender was 29<sup>th</sup> in all events.

## SPRING

**SOFTBALL:** Coach Ryan Schalk's Jayhawks posted 33-21 overall and 20-12 league win-loss records. Katie Hendrickson was voted All-Region and All-MCCAA, while she and teammate Morgan Giddings were named to the first team all-conference as well as to the conference all-freshmen team. Giddings earned a spot on the NJCAA All-District Team.



Eddie Tornes

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:** Coach Rob Recknagel's 19-9 Jayhawks exceeded pre-season expectations. MCC took third in the conference and advanced to the Region XII semifinals. Morgan Giddings, the Western Conference Defensive Player of the Year, was voted to the league's All-Freshmen Team.

**MEN'S BOWLING:** The Jayhawk men placed ninth in the nation at the NJCAA Bowling Championships in Cheektowaga, NY. The doubles team of Noah Carter and Mitch Wybenga took fifth nationally. Both bowlers also earned all-tournament honors for the MCCAA champion Jayhawks under MCCAA Coach of the Year Bill Bowen.

**WOMEN'S BOWLING:** MCCAA individual champion Nicole DePender convincingly led the Jayhawk women to the MCCAA title. She teamed with Candace Sutter to capture the MCCAA doubles championship. The Jayhawks placed 12<sup>th</sup>

**MEN'S GOLF:** Sophomore Joel Maire placed 19<sup>th</sup> in the nation and earned honorable mention All-America honors at the NJCAA Division II Championships in Scottsboro, AL. He took fourth place in Region XII Tournament and second place at the both the MCCAA and the Western Conference Championships.

**BASEBALL:** Sophomore pitchers Kyle Lawson and Damon Proctor were All-MCCAA first team selections for the 26-19 Jayhawks under Interim Coach Greg Guzman. MCC tied for fourth in the conference and advanced to the NJCAA Region XII quarterfinals.



Deanna Near

# Record-Breaking Year Helps Annual Fund Exceed Goal Five Years Straight

Supporters contributed over \$201,000 to the Foundation for Muskegon Community College (FMCC) last year, making it the most successful year in FMCC history. This marks the fifth consecutive that the FMCC exceeded the annual fund campaign goal, which speaks well for the community's dedication to improving education opportunities.

During fiscal year 2013-2014, FMCC donors made 1,081 gifts in support of MCC programs and student, with the greatest majority allocated to various FMCC **scholarship funds** (41.35%). The number of scholarship funds managed by the FMCC has tripled in the last few years, playing an important role in increasing access to higher education.

Many supporters have a great time helping advance our mission to meet student and community needs by joining us for one of "fun-raising" events.

The Jayhawk Scramble golf outing and Scholarship Lunch, held annually in June at MCC's University Park Golf Course, raises money for the our General Scholarship Fund.

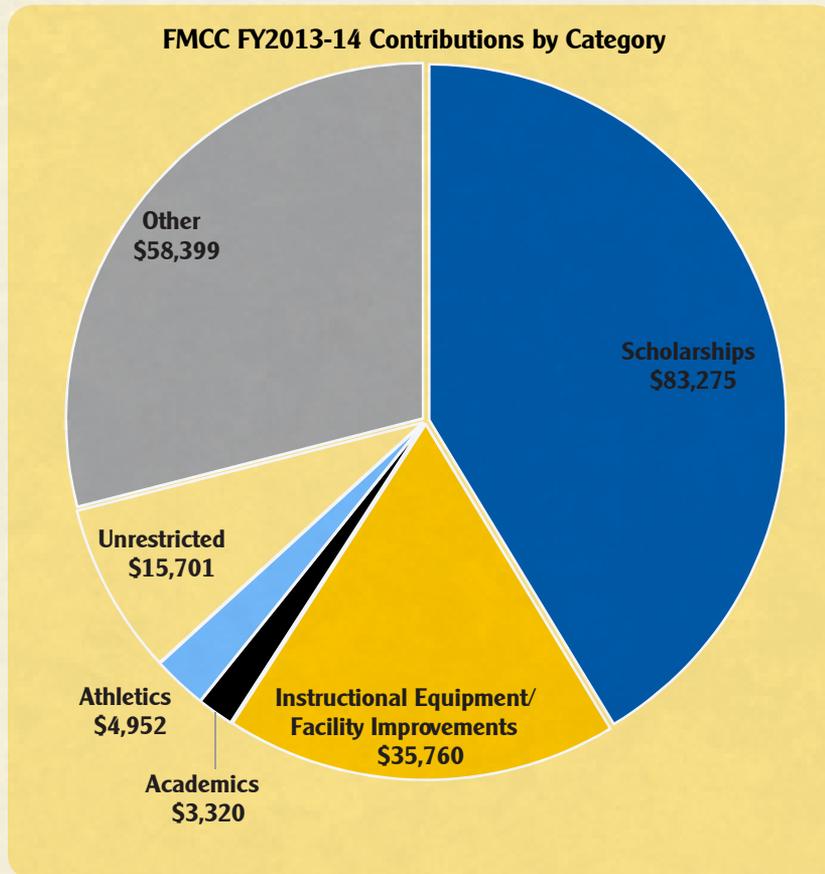
For really swell time, plan to attend Founder's Day to enjoy flappers, fun, and all that jazz at our annual Roaring Twenties event. Join us at Fricano Place on Thursday, September 17 for some of the best live jazz in the area. Held annually on the third Thursday in September, Founder's Day celebrates the community members, faculty, staff, alumni, and others who contributed to MCC's 89 years of success. 100% of profits will be used to purchase instructional equipment needed to support the study of arts and humanities. You can register or get more information about this event at [muskegoncc.edu/founders](http://muskegoncc.edu/founders).

In the coming year, our focus on raising the funds to equip our expanding campus will intensify. New facilities for science, health, the arts, plus our new applied technology center in downtown Muskegon will all require new **instructional equipment** to meet ever evolving-industry and student needs.

things happen for our students and communities, please contact us to learn more about joining the FMCC board of directors or volunteering for an event.

For nearly nine decades, MCC has been effectively responding to the needs of our communities.

Along the way, MCC has received the generous support of many who believe in our enduring and transformative mission. The names of many FMCC donors appear in the following pages. We thank them for their continued trust in us. Together we are making a difference.



Donors allocated 29% of contributions to support special funds (Other) such as the John G. Thompson College and Community Fund, the FMCC Endowment Fund, and other funds related to community events and student success. In addition to support for **athletics** and specific **academic** areas, over \$15,000 of donations were unrestricted, allowing us to apply them to the area of greatest need.

The ongoing support of our dedicated friends provide us with a strong foundation of support to continue advancing the mission of MCC. If you would like to get involved in making great



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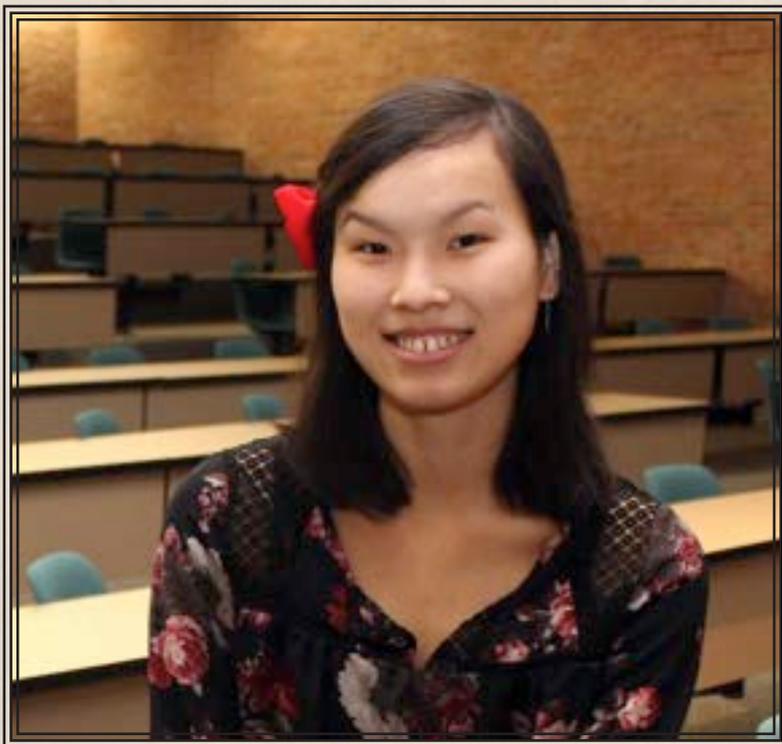
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# Scholarship Student Makes “Dreams Come True” at MCC



“Attending Muskegon Community College has changed my life!”

**--TeAnna Friday**  
MCC Student

*--by Rebecca Goodno, MCC  
Community Outreach Intern*

“When my parents abandoned me at birth in China, my future was taken away from me. I waited every day hoping to be adopted. My life carried no purpose and every day I was just trying to get by,” recalled TeAnna Friday, an MCC student and a Muskegonites Child Study Club scholarship recipient.

At the age of five, TeAnna began her journey to the U.S. and soon discovered all the opportunities and challenges awaiting her.

TeAnna was one of four children in her family adopted from China. Although she was now part of a family who loved her unconditionally, the Oakridge graduate still faced struggles in life.

“All throughout high school, I doubted myself and believed that I was a failure. I felt like you couldn’t be what you wanted to be, you couldn’t dream. I want to make sure students can dream and never give up on their dreams.”

During her senior year she reached a turning point in her life. While volunteering

in numerous activities with children such as tutoring, special needs in sports, classroom job shadows and Muskegon Youth Volunteer group, TeAnna realized she had a passion for children. Now she is pursuing a career in elementary education, majoring in English.

MCC has not only taught TeAnna academic subjects, but about life as well.

“Attending Muskegon Community College has changed my life,” she admitted. “After my senior year in high school, I realized I was missing a lot of life lessons. College meant making dreams come true and finding who you are. MCC staff were always helpful and kind. The world isn’t always kind, but I am learning about that, too. Teaching and learning never stops in life. I am always learning about myself and the world I live in.”

After completing courses this summer to earn her associate’s degree at MCC, TeAnna will be transferring, along with her sister, to Western Michigan University. “We are hoping to be roommates, I am pretty

excited,” said TeAnna, whose dream is to one day go back to China to teach English and possibly even live there.

She draws inspiration as a future educator from teachers like Tia Peterson, who was a great mentor in her legally blind brother’s life. “She always went above and beyond to help my brother, I want to be a teacher just like her,” said TeAnna.

“I chose to pursue teaching because I want to make sure every child knows that they can reach their dreams and that they have potential. I want them to reach for their dreams and never let them go. I don’t ever want to see a child lose the glow in their eyes.”

Being awarded the Muskegonites Child Study Club Scholarship gave TeAnna confidence in herself and a boost to pursue her great ambitions.

“Winning this scholarship means that someone believes in me and sees potential in my dreams.”

## Amos Nordman Foundation Scholarship & Global Business Promotions Scholarship

### Brittany D'Avignon

"There are many things happening in the world that need to have attention brought to them so that we can all work together to change them," shared Brittany D'Avignon, an MCC freshman pursuing a career in journalism and sociology.

Feminism and racism are atop Britany's list of issues which she hopes to address as a writer.

"I always thought about these problems, I just never talked about or acted on them," said the Muskegon High School graduate. "I feel like there are still problems with the differences in how men and women are treated. There is a huge difference in how society views men compared to women. Obviously racism is still a huge problem with everything in the news right now."

Brittany credits her mother, Patti D'Avignon, who heads registration at MCC, with instilling in her both fortitude and a belief in herself.

"She is always working toward bigger and better things," said Brittany. "She has taught me to fight for what I deserve and always do what is right. She has raised me to be strong willed and to have my own opinions."

After earning her associate's degree at MCC in 2016, Brittany plans to transfer to Grand Valley State University. But before she leaves MCC, she intends to take advantage of the possibilities available on campus outside of the classroom.

"I have recently joined the Garden Club," said Brittany, who first attended MCC as a dual enrolled student. "I have also been invited to join Phi Theta Kappa. Also, I plan to try out for the women's soccer team this summer."

"(MCC) was a great choice to save money and be able to stay at home for a few more years. I also genuinely have liked all of the teachers that I have had since I started.

She appreciates receiving the Amos Nordman Foundation and the Global Business Promotions Scholarships.

"These scholarships mean that I have to worry a little less about what I have to pay for school and let me focus on the

important things. Every scholarship that I can earn makes a huge difference. It can be a tough transition from high school to college, especially when you suddenly have to pay for everything you learn. I hope one day that I can have my own scholarship to give out to students, but that could be a long time from now. I like to help people, that's a big thing."



### Dean Kuharevicz

"My goal is to make life safer and more efficient for at least one person," explains Dean Kuharevicz, a Ted DeBower Mathematics and Science Scholarship recipient and an aspiring mechanical engineer.

"Too many people around the world, and even in the United States live in a state of struggle, and I believe that engineering has the power to develop new ideas, materials, and techniques that can bring these suffering people out of their holes."

Engineering is something that runs in his family.

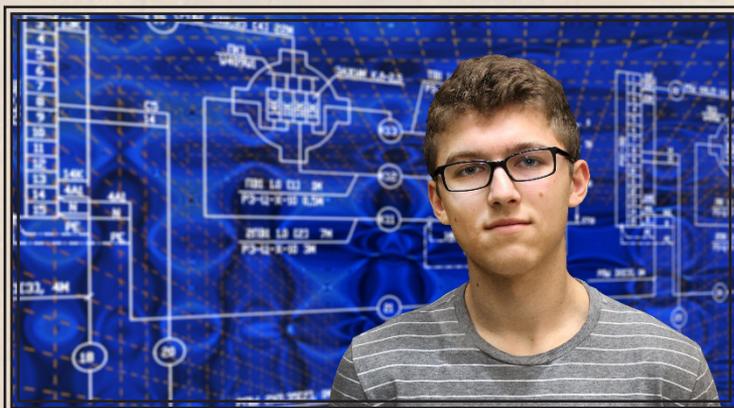
"My father is my role model because he was one of the first in his family to go to college," he says of his Dad, who also attended MCC as part of his educational preparation for an engineering career. "I aspire to be like him and to achieve at least the same amount of success that he has."

The Muskegon Catholic Central graduate has taken several math and sciences classes at Muskegon Community College, where his Calculus II Instructor Gary

Ted DeBower Mathematics and Science Scholarship as a reward for his hard work.

"This scholarship means that I can be less focused on financing college, and that I can spend more time on my studies and degree," concludes Dean.

The late Ted DeBower would be proud of Dean. Having no children of his own, the one-time engineering manager devoted a portion of his estate to establish an MCC scholarship. He loved students who worked hard and hoped they would become tomorrow's leaders. Ted's dream is making Dean's dream come true.



Nonnemacher rates as his favorite professor to date.

Dean loves to see, understand, and explain how objects work, making engineering a suitable career for him. He views receiving the



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Does anyone remember the year and the names of the Student Government people in this picture?

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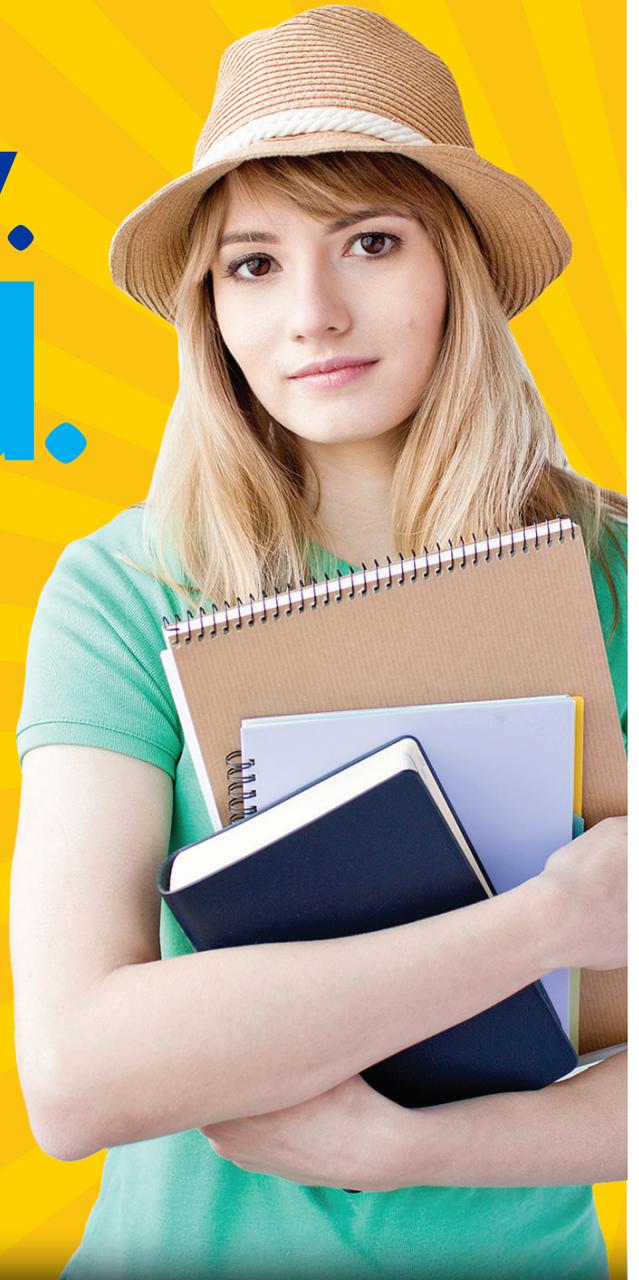
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