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Psychology, Human Services & Education Department - A Team Effort at Helping

People who utilize the services of agencies like The House of Good Shepherd, United Cerebral Palsy, Insight House, the Center for Addiction Recovery, the Resource Center for Independent Living, and the Rescue Mission are often assisted by graduates of programs administered by MVCC's Psychology, Human Services & Education Department. So are residents of nursing homes, and their families, as well as patrons of fitness centers, children at summer camps, students in elementary schools, and many

With over 600 students



Dr. Robert Christman teaches a human sexuality class.

enrolled in its programs and over 1,000 students from throughout the College taking PY101 Introduction to General Psychology every semester, the Psychology, Human Services and Education Department has a major impact on the College and the community.

The Department administers Associate degree programs in Human Services - with emphases in Counseling and Child Development - Chemical Dependency Practitioner, Childhood Education, Recreation & Leisure Services - with emphases in Therapeutic Recreation, Sports/Coaching, Fitness/Wellness and Generalist (for likely transfer students) - and a new transfer program in Liberal Arts & Sciences: Psychology. Students in the Sports/Coaching emphasis also qualify for the Coaching Certificate administered by the Physical Education Department.

All of this happens through an emphasis on cooperation and teamwork continued on page 2 All Inductees, 1996-2004, to be Honored on New Hall of Fame Wall

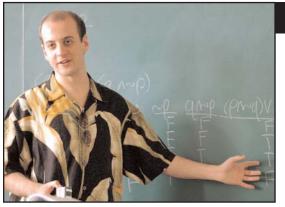
When the MVCC Hall of Fame inducts two 2004 honorees on Saturday, October 23rd, 41 other persons will also be honored.

The 2004 inductees are former Oneida County Legislator Robert Kelly, of Utica, and Dr. Rose Danella, former head of the MVC Social Science & Criminal Justice Department, now residing in North Carolina.

The other 41 honorees will be past inductees admitted to MVCC's Hall of Fame since its founding in 1996. They will be included in a newly created Hall of Fame Wall to be unveiled in the IT building as part of the evening's festivities. It is anticipated that many of the past inductees will be present for the unveiling.

Reservations for the reception, induction ceremony and Hall of Fame Wall unveiling, at \$30 per person, are being accepted in the College's Office of Institutional Advancement. Details are available by calling the College at 792-5340 or 792-5648. The deadline for reservations is October 15th.

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Daniel Patten, Instructor, Mathematics Dept. Dan teaches MA 050-Introductoury Mathematics, MA 108-Concepts of Mathematics, and MA 110-Elementary Statistics. He joined the faculty in August, 2004.

He holds a B.A. in Mathematics from Utica College and an M.S. in Mathematics from Syracuse University. In his spare time he enjoys music and philosophy. Dan lives in New York Mills.

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and a focus on serving students. For example, the Department has had success with its team approach to advisement that allows students to seek out any of the 11 faculty members in the Department for advisement.

Approximately half of the Department's courses are now offered in both traditional classroom and on-line variations. A recent successful innovation was to offer a condensed section of College Seminar during the week of final registration. The office staff, Senior Typist Pat Bennett and part-time Clerk

Donna Thrasher, takes pride in providing student-friendly service. The diverse skills and interests of the dedicated faculty members in the Department drive the success of the Departmental programs.

According to Dr. John Rosicky, Department Head, the new Psychology program was designed to serve students interested in earning a Bachelor's or advanced degree in psychology. Previously, those students who enrolled at MVCC were limited to a more applied focus in the Human Services program, or a general liberal



Dr. Carmelita Lomeo-Smrtic teaches a social and philosophical foundations of education class.

arts degree without a focus on psychology.

The Childhood Education program, offered jointly with SUNY Oneonta, prepares students for employment as elementary teachers. Students earn both an Associate degree from MVCC and a Bachelor's degree from SUNY Oneonta. The program has been highly successful in meeting needs of school districts for elementary teachers throughout the area, with consistent enrollments of over 250 students. Graduates must earn the Bachelor's degree and become certified before being hired as teachers. Some start as teaching assistants, moving into teaching positions as they become available.

Today, according to Dr. Rosicky, those same districts are facing a greater need for secondary teachers, and the Psychology, Human Services & Education Department is responding, working to develop a generic education curriculum that will help students become certified teachers at any level, in disciplines ranging from mathematics and science to foreign language. In fact, the College received a grant from Phi Theta Kappa providing non-monetary support for the development of a program to prepare math and science teachers. Under the grant, the Department - together with colleagues in the Mathematics Department and the Engineering, Computer & Physical Sciences Department-is working with mentors from other parts of the U.S. on program development. The program will follow a State University of New York template designed to help the entire State meet this important need, and to make transfer into teacher education programs throughout the SUNY system a seamless transaction.

Curriculum and course development is an ongoing process. Some of the newest courses include PY213 Human Sexuality, ED206 Language and Literacy, PY209 Forensic Psychology, PY212 Adolescent Psychology and two courses in the prevention of alcoholism and drug abuse (AS206 and AS207) that can lead to certification as a prevention professional by the Office of Alcohol & Substance Abuse Services, a New York State agency.

Dr. Rosicky is quick to point out contributions to the Department's success by others in the Department.



Stephen Lachacz, Class of 1984, Liberal Arts & Sciences: Math & Science, is now a customer service manager at Burrows Paper Corp. He was previously a process engineer with the James River Corp. He also earned a B.S. degree in paper science and engineering from SUNY ESF, and an M.B.A. from RPI.

Faculty and Staff In the News

Employment Specialist Melissa Kolb participated in the Peacemaker Training Institute on September 22nd at the Working Solutions One Stop Employment Center.

The training session topic was "Introduction to Conflict Resolution," by Brenda E. Episcopo, Certified Mediator and Executive Director and Tracy A. Austin, Certified Mediator and Director of ADR Services.

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of Fame inductees to be recognized, listed by year of induction:

1996

- The late **Dr. Filmore Burke**, **Sr**., a part-time teacher of electronics and electricity classes from 1976 to 1979 who gave special service to students with disabilities and students seeking re-entry to the workforce.
- Dr. John Dizer, retired MVCC Professor and Department Head in Mechanical Engineering Technology, and former Dean of the Technology & Business Division. He was a member of the College's faculty from 1959 to 1985.
- The late **Dr. Armond J. Festine**, former Dean of Community Services. Dr. Festine joined the College in 1956 as a mathematics instructor. Before retiring in 1978, he also served as Associate Director of the College's Evening & Extension Division, Director of Admissions, Director and Dean of Continuing Education. He was instrumental in early development of the College's Rome Campus and services to personnel at Griffiss Air Force Base, and oversaw creation of many degree programs at the College.
- Former New York State Regent **Emlyn I. Griffith**, a Rome attorney, who provided leadership and support for development of the MVCC Rome Campus through the Rome College Foundation, and as a member of the State Board of Regents from 1973 to 1996. Mr. Griffith is active in many organizations related to the legal profession as well as many community service organizations.
- Robert R. Jorgensen, retired professor and department head in physical education, and former athletic director. He retired in 1991 after 31 years of service to MVCC. Under his leadership, the College's intercollegiate sports program grew from five men's teams to 21 men's and women's teams. A long-time MVCC golf coach, he is a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association's Golf Hall of Fame.
- **David Mathis**, Chairman of the College Board of Trustees, a Trustee at MVCC since 1977, and President of the MVCC Alumni Association. He also served as Board of Trustees Chairman from 1983 to 1987. He is a leader in both the New York Community College Trustees and the Association of Community College Trustees, a nationwide organization. He is a 1970 graduate of MVCC.
- The late **Dr. Albert Payne**, former College president. He joined MVCC as director of the industrial division when the College was first formed, in 1946, as the New York State Institute of Applied Arts & Sciences. He became president when the Institute became Mohawk Valley Technical Institute, in 1953, and remained in that position in 1963 when it was renamed Mohawk Valley Community College. He retired in 1968. Payne Hall, on the College's Utica Campus, is named in his honor.
- **Dr. Michael Schafer**, MVCC President since 1983. During his presidency, major buildings have been constructed on both the College's Utica and Rome Campuses, both instruction and administrative activities have dramatically increased their use of computer technology, and many new academic programs have been created. The College also created wide-ranging services to area employers. Dr. Schafer has held leadership roles with many community and regional organizations, including but not limited to BlueCross BlueShield, WCNY, the United Way (at both local and State levels), the Utica Symphony Orchestra, Mohawk Valley Chamber of Commerce, Oneida County Industrial Development Corporation, local Boy Scout organizations and others.
- The late **Professor Charles Schmidt**, who joined the College's business faculty in 1947, and remained with MVCC until his retirement in 1973. He founded the College's Alumni Association, Newman Club, created the former Secretarial Science program, and was advisor to 17 of the College's first 19 graduating classes.

Censorship in Children's Literature Presentation

In celebration of the Mid-York Library System's Regional Read of Ray Bradbury's book Fahrenheit 451, Librarian Krista Hartman presented "Censorship in Children's Literature" On Tuesday, September 28th.

Krista outlined the history of the censorship of literature written for children (not textbooks or adult books used in schools) from the beginnings of the genre in the 16th century to the present. She talked about the cultural changes that brought on both the publication of more books that people objected to as well as the increase in organized censorship attempts.

She also described the attitudes of both censors and people who are opposed to censorship. She concluded with a look at specific titles that have been the object of censuring over the past 30 years.



Krista reads from the book How to Be a Lady: a Book for Girls Containing Useful Hints on the Formation of Character by Harvey Newcomb.

15th ed. Boston: Gould and Lincoln, 1856.

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Professor James Smrtic, for example, has developed a forensic psychology course, and a criminal psychological profile called PsyCrim, of interest to law enforcement professionals. A former Army Reserve officer, he has also consulted with Federal officials on counter-terrorism matters, and he coordinates the Kids-n-Coaches program.

Professor Michael Sewall helps steer the College-wide strategic planning process, as chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee, and guides students through their internship experiences.

Professor Elin Cormican coordinates student internships, teaches four on-line courses and maintains an active private practice in counseling.

Associate Professor Beverly Jaskolka teaches a variety of psychology courses, including on-line versions of both Abnormal and Personality Psychology.

Professor Maria Ramos teaches a wide range of courses for the Department on the Rome Campus, "anchoring" the Department's presence in Rome.

Dr. Carmelita Lomeo-Smrtic has taken part in a SUNY State-wide team charged with developing the teacher education transfer program template mentioned above. She has also created a special interactive classroom environment to teach early childhood education students how to structure educational activities for children.

Associate Professor Patricia Hirsch coordinates the Chemical Dependency Practitioner curriculum. She, along with Adjunct Instructor Mary Ellen Blakey developed the new prevention courses, and with Dr. Robert Christman, also developed the popular new course in Human Sexuality. In addition, she teaches five different on-line courses, including PY208 Death, Dying & Bereavement.

Assistant Professor Cheryl Plescia is involved in developing an internship experience for students in the new Liberal Arts & Sciences: Psychology program, and works with students in the Psychology & Human Services Club. Dr. Jonathan Meeter teaches a wide range of psychology courses, and advises the Chess Club.

Dr. Robert Christman teaches a variety of courses in the Chemical Dependency Practitioner program, as well as, the new Human Sexuality Course.

Instructor John Pawlawski emphasizes early childhood development in his teaching, and helps students earn a national child care certification (the CDA).

Adjunct Instructor Tina Fahringer teaches courses in and coordinates the Recreation & Leisure Services program.

In addition to the contributions of the current staff, Dr. Rosicky also acknowledges the foundation laid down for the Department by previous faculty members including former department heads Professor Josephine Alexander and Professor George Strong, and the late Professor John Stratton.

For some of the youngest and oldest area residents, for those interested in recreation, and for many with special needs, graduates of programs offered by the Psychology, Human Services & Education Department make an important difference every day.

MVCC Hospitality
Programs, Rome College
Foundation
Announce Annual "Food
for Thought" Scholarship
Dinner

Students and faculty in the Hospitality Programs will join forces with the Rome College Foundation to host the sixth annual "Food for Thought" scholarship dinner.

The event is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 28th, in the Hospitality Programs Dining Room, in the Academic Building (Room 103) at the MVCC Rome Campus, 1101 Floyd Avenue. Tickets are \$30 per person, and are limited to 100 persons. Reservations may be made by contacting the Rome Chamber of Commerce at 337-1700. The deadline for reservations is October 22nd.

Proceeds will be used to support Rome College Foundation scholarships for local students attending area colleges, including Mid-Career Incentive Awards for Rome-area students at Utica College, SUNYIT, MVCC and Hamilton College.

The menu for the dinner includes cream of Celery and Blue Cheese Bisque, Peach Sorbet, Classic Caesar with Artichoke Heart. Pepe Pasta with Shrimp, Tomato and Tarragon, Prime Rib of Beef au jus, Stir fried Asparagus with Skitake Mushrooms, Carmelized Onion Mashed Potatoes, Hearth Baked Onion and Herb Bread, and Chocolate Banana Phyllo Wrap with Banana Kumquat Compote and Vanilla Bean Ice Cream. Two wines will be served: KWV Steen Chenin Blanc (South Africa) and Banrock Station Shiraz (Southeastern Australia). The vegetarian entrée choice is Grilled Ahi Tuna.

-The late Dean **Edwin Warner**, who joined the College in 1952 as a Mathematics Instructor and remained with the College until his retirement in 1978. During 26 years of service to the College, he also served as Mathematics & Science Department Head, Acting Dean of Instruction, and Dean of Academic Affairs. Instruction in biology, and the College's Engineering Science curriculum, were created under his leadership.

1997

- Mattie L. Brown, Class of 1975, Human Services. She received the MVCC Alumni of Merit Award in 1991, and served on the Blue Ribbon Commission on the Future of MVCC in 1996. She served on the Utica Board of Education, and held leadership positions with many community organizations, including the YWCA, Cosmopolitan Center, Family Services, Mid York Child Care Coordinating Council, and others.
- Elizabeth Hubbard, MVCC Trustee Emerita, and former Chair of MVCC Board of Trustees. The first woman appointed to MVCC's Board of Trustees, she served from 1974 to 1982. She was also the first woman to serve as Board Chair, from 1979 to 1982. She is retired as executive director of the Utica YWCA and served on the board of trustees of the former Children's Hospital & Rehabilitation Center, and was an active volunteer with Utica Head Start, the Junior League of Utica, the United Way of the Greater Utica Area, and was a board member for the Kirkland Town Library.
- The late **Dr. Milton Richards**, who served as founding Department Head and professor in the former Advertising Design & Production Department. He joined the College in 1955, and retired in 1985. He was active with an extraordinary array of College committees and with community organizations ranging from the United Way, Jewish Community Council, Central Association for the Blind, Players of Utica, and others. He was also a Fulbright Lecturer in Istanbul, Turkey during 1975-76.
- **Dr. Beverly Warner**, Professor Emerita in Nursing, and Dean Emerita of the former Division of Public & Health Services. She was a faculty member and department head in the former Nursing Department from 1969 to 1975, then served as dean of the Division of Public & Health Services from 1975 until retirement in 1986. The Division included programs or courses in Human Services, Social Science, Criminal Justice, Nursing and Respiratory Therapy.
- The late Professor Pauline Ryan, of MVCC's Business Department. She joined the College faculty in 1947, just the second year of the College's existence, when the College was known as the New York State Institute of Applied Arts & Sciences. She remained with the College during parts of five decades, retiring in 1984. She served as Department Head from 1968 until retirement. She was instrumental in creating the former Advertising Design & Production Department, and programs in Banking, Insurance & Real Estate, Accounting, Business Administration, Data Processing, and the former Secretarial Science program.
- The late Professor **Theodore** "**Ted**" **Moore**, a faculty member in the MVCC Mathematics Department from 1981 until his untimely death in 1996. He was active with two-year college mathematics teachers' organizations at both the state and national levels, an active soccer and baseball coach, a basketball official, and a leader of the MVCC Professional Association, serving as its vice president from 1989 to 1992, and as president from 1993 to 1996.

1998

- The late Trustee Emeritus Willis Daugherty, who served on the College's Board of Trustees from 1953 until 1966, and was Chairman from 1956 through 1961, including the period when the MVCC Utica Campus was initially developed. In industry, he served as vice president of the Utica Drop Forge & Tool Corporation, and vice president/general manager of the Utica Drop Forge Division of Kelsey Hayes Company, and as president of Hamilton Research Associates. He was also executive director of the New York Job Development Authority during 1962-1963.
- The late Professor **Emerita Sarah Brooks**, who taught mathematics at MVCC from 1968 to 1986. She participated in designing the College's mathematics placement test and MVCC's degree program in Data Processing. Active in local and statewide mathematics teaching organizations, she was a champion for young women seeking to enter technology and science career fields.
- The late Professor Emeritus **Charles Higgerson**, a member of the faculty in the former Mechanical Technology Department from 1947 to 1979. He helped to developed metallurgy instruction and laboratories at the College, and worked closely with area manufacturers. He also traveled to India during the summer for five years during the 1960's and 1970's to advise on technical education matters.
- The late Professor Emeritus William Pulhamus, who came to MVCC in 1951 as an instructor in the former Electrical Technology Department. Before his retirement in 1979, he had served as Electrical Technology Department Head, Associate Dean of the former Division of Mathematics, Science & Technology, and as acting Dean of Academic Affairs. Among programs introduced in the Electrical Technology Department under his leadership were curricula in electrical service technician, television repair, refrigeration and electrical maintenance, and early development of the electrical engineering technology program.

- Counselor Emeritus **Robert Jastrab**, who retired in 1998 after more than 30 years as a counselor at MVCC. He was closely associated with the Counseling Center's transfer assistance program, organizing "transfer days," developing a "transfer handbook" for students, and, during his career, assisting well over 8,000 students with the college transfer process. He received the MVCC Excellence in Service Award in 1980.

1999

- Former Professor Richard Coleman, of the Physical Education Department, who also achieved success as the College's track and cross country coach. A member of the faculty for 19 years, from 1967 to 1986, he received the MVCC Award for Excellence in Service, the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, and was NJCAA Region III Coach of the Year six times. A member of the NJCAA Track & Field/Cross Country Hall of Fame, he coached 32 All-Americans at MVCC. He served for 10 years as president of the National Cross Country Coaches Association, was a co-director of the Boilermaker Road Race and was instrumental in developing Utica's summer developmental runs.
- Professor/Associate Dean Emeritus **Roy Mitchell**, who joined the College in 1947 as an instructor in communication, and served until his retirement in 1978. During that service, he was also General Education Department Head, and Associate Dean for the Division of Humanities & Communications. He was instrumental in development of the College's Liberal Arts & Sciences program, and negotiated transfer agreements with many four-year institutions.
- Counselor Emerita Barbara Berlin, who served the College and its students for 26 years, from 1965 until her retirement in 1989. She received the MVCC Excellence in Service Award in 1984.

2000

- The late **James Blackshear**, executive director of the Cosmopolitan Center from 1989 until his death in 2000. A former member of the MVCC Foundation Board of Directors, he chaired the David Mathis Scholarship Committee, and served on the Blue Ribbon Commission on the Future of MVCC. He was heavily involved in community service organizations, serving on the boards of directors of the United Way, YMCA, Visiting Nurse Association, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Utica Area Chamber of Commerce, Oneida County NAACP, Utica Industrial Development Commission, Oneida County Private Industry Council, Oneida County Council on Alcoholism, Mohawk Valley Economic Development District, African-American Coalition of Oneida County, Mayor's City of Utica Minority Coalition, Mohawk Valley Psychiatric Center Board of Visitors, and the Loretto Utica Forum. He was treasurer for Hope Chapel AME Zion Church, chairman of the City of Utica Human Relations Commission, and a former commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation.
- The late Professor Emeritus **Michael Burke**, of the former Business/Management Systems Department. Professor Burke joined MVCC in 1963, in the former Accounting Department. Before his untimely passing in 1999, he also served as head of the Accounting Department, and in the former Business Department. He received both the MVCC Excellence in Service Award, and the SUNY Chancellors' Award for Excellence in Professional Service. He chaired the former MVCC Faculty Organization, and was a member of the SUNY Faculty Assembly.
- Professor Emeritus Clinton Carpenter, of the Engineering, Computer & Physical Sciences Department. He joined MVCC's faculty in 1971, teaching physics and physical science classes. In 1990, he became head of the Physical Science Department, and in 1996, was named head of the Engineering, Computer & Physical Sciences Department. He received the MVCC Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1991, and the SUNY Chancellors' Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1991. He retired in 2000.
- Former Professor James O'Looney, of the Art Department. Professor O'Looney retired in 1996 after serving MVCC and its students since 1975 as a faculty member in the Advertising Design & Production Department, Graphic Communication Department and Art Department. A former president of the Utica District Club of Printing House Craftsmen, he received the MVCC Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1992 and the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching a year later. He also received an Excellence Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development, at the University of Texas, in 1993.

2001

- The late Professor **Edward Juergensen**, of the former Advertising Design & Production Department, who taught at the College during the late 60's and early 70's. He was also an internationally published cartoonist, and vice president of Graphic Arts Supply, Inc.

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- The late Professor Emerita **Virginia Juergensen**, who taught design, graphic arts and drawing. She joined the faculty on a part-time basis in 1962, and was named to the full-time faculty in 1967. Before her retirement in 1993, she taught in the Advertising Design & Production, Graphic Communication and Art Departments.
- Dr. Marshall G. Jones, a senior laser research engineer and project leader at the General Electric Research & Development Center in Schenectady. Dr. Jones earned an Associate degree from MVCC in 1962, specializing in mechanical engineering technology. He also earned degrees at the University of Michigan and the University of Massachusetts. As a researcher at G.E., he has received over 40 patents and his research has been published internationally. He received MVCC's Alumni of Merit Award in 1984, and later, through MVCC, received an honorary doctorate from the State University of New York. He is a member of the prestigious National Academy of Engineering, was named Black Engineer of the Year in 2000, and in 1999 received the National Society of Black Engineers Pioneer of the Year Golden Torch Award.
- Former Director of Counseling Services **Gerard Brophy**, who retired in 1990 after 27 years of service to MVCC. At various times he also oversaw Financial Aid, the Career Resource Center and the Health Center. He developed specialized services for transfer and adult students, a student referral service for mental health concerns and the first approach to computerized career guidance at MVCC.
- Former Registrar **John Hollinger**, who served the College in that position from 1973 until his retirement in 1994. He made significant changes in the Registrar's Office use of technology, and introduced many new services to students. He received the MVCC Award for Excellence in Professional Service in 1986, and the comparable SUNY Chancellor's Award the following year.

2002

- Professor/Department Head Emeritus John McMillan, who joined the College in 1965 as department head in Civil Engineering Technology. He later became head of the newly created Civil & Mechanical Engineering Technology Department serving in that position until his retirement in 1991. He also served during the 1979-80 academic year as acting dean of the former Division of Technology & Business. He was instrumental in the early introduction of computers to the instructional process, led creation of the Surveying Technology and Aircraft Maintenance programs, and oversaw development of extensive laboratory facilities in technology areas.
- Professor Emerita **Eugenia Taft**, who served as a professor in the Humanities Department from 1967 to 2001, specializing in foreign language instruction, and played a major role in development of the College's International Studies curriculum.
- Former Professor **W. Jean Walls**, who served as a full-time faculty member in the Engineering Technologies & The Trades Department from 1979 until her retirement in 1995. Before joining the College full-time, she served for over 20 years as an adjunct faculty member while employed in industry. She taught a variety of courses in the Electrical Engineering Technology curriculum, and received an "Outstanding Teacher Award" in 1986 from the St. Lawrence Section of the American Society for Engineering Education.
- Vice President Emeritus **Jerome Alvermann**, who served as vice president for administrative services from 1982 until his retirement in 2001. In that role, he oversaw the College's day-to-day financial operations, development of the annual operating budget, and operations of the Business Office, Registrar's Office, Financial Aid Office, the Facilities & Operations Department, Mailroom, Office Services and Campus Safety & Security.

2003

- Michael Austin, MVCC class of 1974, Liberal Arts & Sciences, Vice President for Corporate Communications at the Utica National Insurance Group. He has served as President, Vice President and a member of the Board of Directors of the MVCC Foundation, and received the College's Alumni of Merit Award in 1989. He has also been a part-time faculty member, and was alumni representative on a reaccreditation self-study committee. He is active with many professional organizations in the field of insurance communications, and has held leadership positions with many community service organizations including but not limited to United Cerebral Palsy and Handicapped Persons Association of Utica, the Oneida County Traffic Safety/STOP-DWI Advisory Board, Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties, and Lutheran Homes Foundation. He was recently named to MVCC's Board of Trustees.
- The late Professor Emeritus C. Owen Brantley, who served as a faculty member in the former Advertising Design & Production Department from 1955 to 1975. He was the College's first instructor in the graphic arts, and developed many courses in printing and photography. He also wrote extensively in the field, and served as a consultant for the printing industry.

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- Michael Briggs of Georgia, MVCC Class of 1963, Retail Business Management and varsity baseball team member. He is a retired regional manager and vice president for United Parcel Service, and has contributed generously to the MVCC Foundation.
- Professor Emeritus **Francis Dunning**, who taught in the former Physical Sciences Department, and served as Dean of the Division of Technology & Business. Employed at MVCC from 1963 until his retirement in 1995, he pioneered the use of industry advisory committees, and led creation of programs in chemical technology, photonics and solar energy technology, He received the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service in 1990.

2004

- **Dr. Rose Danella**, Professor/Department Head Emerita, Social Sciences & Criminal Justice Department, who joined MVCC's faculty on a full-time basis in 1969, after several years of service as a part-time faculty member, teaching a wide range of courses in political science, history, sociology, international relations and criminal justice.

She coordinated the College's International Studies curriculum, and directed the Mohawk Valley Police Academy. She was the elected MVCC representative to the New York State Faculty Council of Community Colleges from 1977 to 1981, and its President from 1981 to 1983.

While at MVCC, she also served as a member of the Utica Board of Education from 1970 to 1975, including service as Board President. She also served as a trustee of the Utica Public Library and the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute of Art.

Following her 1992 retirement from Mohawk Valley Community College, after 23 years of service to the College and its students, she began a second career as a clinical research studies specialist in the Viral Epidemiology Branch of the National Cancer Institute. In 1995, she moved to the University of Maryland School of Medicine as part of the team headed by Dr. Robert C. Gallo, discoverer of the AIDS virus. She retired a second time in 2001.

- Former Oneida County Legislator **Robert Kelly**, of Utica, who served as vice president of sales at the F.X. Matt Brewing Company prior to his retirement. He served as a member of the Oneida County Board of Legislators for 15 years, from 1988 to 2003. He was a member of the Education & Youth Committee from 1988 to 2000, serving as chair from 1988 to 1991, and chairman from 1998 to 2000. In his role as a legislator, he was a strong advocate for funding the College operating budget and capital projects at both the Utica and Rome Campuses, and was a key supporter of the Millennium Project involving MVCC and the Utica School District. He was involved in providing Oneida County support for the "Ready, Set, College!" project at MVCC, which introduced disadvantaged children to a range of career fields and college preparation. He also played an important role in long-range planning that led to major renovation of MVCC facilities, and to construction of the Information Technology/Performing Arts/Conference Center building on the College's Utica campus.

He also served as chairman of the Board of Legislators' Laws & Rules and Human Relations Committees. He has also been active for years in support of many community endeavors and organizations, including the United Way and Utica Symphony, where he was chairman of the board of directors. He is a founder of Utica's St. Patrick's Day parade and a past grand marshal, and a founding member of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick and the Emerald Society. He has been an officer with the Ancient Order of Hibernians, served on the board of what is now Mohawk Valley Community Action, and serves on Utica's Charter Revision Commission.

Four-Year Colleges to Visit MVCC October 12th For Annual "Transfer Day"

MVCC will hold its annual Transfer Day on Tuesday, October 12th, from 10:00am to 1:00pm, in the MV Commons.

The event is designed to assist current MVCC students explore transfer opportunities after they graduate from MVCC, to continue studies toward a Bachelor's degree. Several hundred students transfer every year following graduation from MVCC to private and public four-year institutions throughout the Northeast.

Private four-year colleges and universities to be represented at MVCC's October 12th Annual Transfer Day include:

Alberta Magnus College, Bay Path College, Canisius College, Cazenovia College, Clarkson University, Daemen College, D'Youville College, Elmira College, Green Mountain College, Hartwick College, Hilbert College, Iona College, Ithaca College, Keuka College, Lemoyne College, Medaille College, Niagara University, Roberts Wesleyan College, Rochester Institute of Technology, Southern New Hampshire University, St. Bonaventure University, Syracuse University, University of New Haven, and Utica College.

SUNY campuses scheduled to participate include those at Albany, Binghamton, Brockport, Buffalo, Cortland, Fredonia, Geneseo, Oneonta, Oswego, Plattsburgh, and Utica/Rome, as well as SUNY Upstate Medical University, and the SUNY College of Environmental Science & Forestry, both in Syracuse, and Empire State College.

The event is coordinated by Jim Maio of the Counseling Center.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, 10/5

- ~Dept of Defense Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Testing, 4:30pm-8:00pm, RA 302, Rome Campus.
- ~ Live Videoconference with Ray Bradbury, 7:00pm-9:00pm, PH 300 on the Utica Campus; PC 209 on the Rome Campus.

Wednesday, 10/6

- ~ SUNY IT Information Table, 10:00am-1:00pm; 4:00pm-6:00pm, PC Atrium, Rome Campus.
- ~ Brown Bag Lunch Series, "Using Your Personal Computer," 11:00am and Noon, ACC 116.
- ~ Hospitality Programs Luncheon, theme: "Sweden Sings for Jenny Lind's Birthday." Seating begins at 11:45am in RA 108, Rome Campus.
- ~ Poet's Recluse, 2:00pm-3:00pm, PH Lobby.
- ~ Men's Soccer vs. Herkimer, 4:00pm.
- ~ Volleyball vs. SUNY Cobleskill, 7:00pm.

- ~ Live Videoconference with Ray Bradbury, 7:00pm, PC 209, Rome Campus and PH 300, Utica Campus. Saturday, 10/9
- ~ Men's Soccer vs. Hudson Valley CC, 1:00pm.

Tuesday, 10/12

- ~ Transfer Day, 10:00am-1:00pm, MV Commons.
- ~ College night, 6:30pm-8:30pm, Gym.
- ~ Women's Soccer vs. Columbia-Green, 4:00pm.

Wednesday, 10/13

- ~ Brown Bag Lunch Series, "Test Taking and Test Anxiety," 11:00am and Noon, ACC 116.
- ~ Hospitality Programs Luncheon, theme: "Safari Fare from Sub-Saharan Africa." Seating begins at 11:45am in RA 108, Rome Campus.
- ~ Poet's Recluse, 2:00pm-3:00pm, PH Lobby.

Thursday, 10/14

~ Cultural Series Event: PLAY: "R.U.R." (Rossum's Universal Robots), 8:00pm, IT Theater.

- ~ Volleyball vs. Onondaga, 7:00pm. Friday, 10/15
- ~ Cultural Series Event: PLAY: "R.U.R." (Rossum's Universal Robots), 8:00pm, IT Theater.

Saturday, 10/16

- ~ Cultural Series Event: PLAY: "R.U.R." (Rossum's Universal Robots), 8:00pm, IT Theater.
- ~ Defensive Driving Class, 9:00am-4:00pm, PC 211, Rome Campus.



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Nov. 6 & 7:
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National
Women's
Soccer
Championship
Tournament.

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