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Hurdles faced by education students – Dr. Carmelita Lomeo-Smrtic instructs students during one of her early childhood education classes. Regulations designed by SUNY limit the opportunities and makes it more difficult for MVCC students going into education.

SUNY regulations make it tough for MVCC education students

If something isn't broken, don't try to fix it.

We finally have certification areas which address the pedagogical issues of each age group educated in New York State. However, due to a potential teacher shortage in special education and Pre-K and Kindergarten, there is a discussion at New York State Department of Education to revert to the former certification areas.

This adage should be heeded when New York State Department of Education officials tinker with the classification for early childhood and childhood teacher certification education programs, according to Associate Professor Dr. Carmelita Lomeo-Smrtic.

For the past 11 years, MVCC has worked with SUNY Oneonta on a four-year teacher's certification program jointly offered by both institutions on this campus.

But in 2004, new New York State Department of Education teacher certification regulations changed the certification areas from two options to four. Now the teacher certifications are: Birth to second grade; first grade to sixth; fifth grade to ninth; and seventh grade to 12th. This change now forces MVCC students to seek out dual certifications to teach on the elementary level and compete in a highly

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October 29, 1989 – The newly-created New York Photonics Development Corporation offices on the Rome Campus, encouraged research and economic development in the field of photonics in collaboration with the Rome Air Development Center at Griffiss Air Force Base.

October 28, 1968 – Two Indian educators visited MVCC to observe technical education programs. They were Prof. Y. Saran, principal (president) of the S.V. Government Polytechnic Institute in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, India, and Prof. T. K. Vaidyanathan, principal, Technical Teachers Training Institute in Chandigarh, Punjab, India. The visiting professors also toured the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co.

October 27, 1968 – Students contributed money to assist Japanese student Emiko Fujihira celebrate her 20th birthday by telephoning her parents in Kyoto, Japan. The call cost \$3 per minute.

October 26, 1968 – More than 200 alumni attended a banquet at Mas-soud's Restaurant in Yorkville, culminating MVCC Alumni Weekend. Dr. Albert V. Payne, former president, Dr. W. Stewart Tosh, president in 1968, and Associate Dean of Administration J. Paul Graham were speakers.

October 25, 1967 – The College's student population included 32 international students from 12 countries, including Kuwait, Norway, Japan, Columbia, Jamaica, Iceland, Egypt, Lebanon, Barbados, India, China, Ethiopia and Cyprus.

October 23, 1949 – The College's first international student was a 27-year-old man from Nigeria, Chukwiemeka Okoye.

MVCC Faces: Carol J. Dinger

Upon retiring, Carol J. Dinger decided to do what she loves most: Spend time with her granddaughters and participate in early childhood literacy programs.

Mrs. Dinger retired in September of 2005 after working 31 years in the insurance industry as an adjuster/investigator. Her skills and talents were quickly recognized by the college when she applied for a position in the library last year.

Since being hired as a library clerk on the Utica Campus, Mrs. Dinger's responsibilities have come to include acquisitions of new materials. She is responsible for purchasing books and videos for the library's collection and assisting with duties at the circulation desk and in the stacks.

Mrs. Dinger is a participant of the library's "Read Aloud" children's story hour and offers time to be part of the freshman orientation and to work in the information booth.

To spend time with her two granddaughters, 12-year-old Gabrielle and 11-year-old Serena, she volunteers as a Girl Scout leader for their troop.

This Utica resident also enjoys reading, antiques,



Carol Dinger
Library Clerk

gardening, and murder mystery theater. When she isn't home with her cat, "Kitty," Mrs. Dinger loves to downhill ski and cross country ski.

Having a great love for the theater, Mrs. Dinger has been a Stanley Theater Volunteer for over 17 years.

MVCC's Middle States Self-Study Committee Minutes

MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Middle States Self-Study Steering Committee

The Steering Committee met on October 6.

Present: Ronald Cantor, Thomas Capraro, Michael Chauvin, Norma Chrisman, Sarah Coleman, Eileen Dailey, Robert Decker, Sandra Engel, Ralph Feola, Daniel Larson, Mark Radlowski, Maria Ramos, Norayne Rosero, Dennis Rahn.

Excused: Denise DiGiorgio,

Guests: Tom Mihevc

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the September 22, 2006 meeting were reviewed. Dennis Rahn moved to approve the minutes, Sarah Coleman seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

2. Updates/Comments:

a. Document Inventory: Rosero reminded the members that documents are located on the Self-Study website: www.mvcc.edu/msche08 and in PH 394. At this link there is a folder en-

titled Document Inventory and a Word file that is organized by the titles in the Self-Study Plan. This should assist work group members in finding documents. Referenced documents should be given to Rosero if they are not already in the file.

b. Issues of Morale: Dr. Engel asked where the issue of morale will be addressed in the Self-Study. Each work group should examine the issue of morale in relation to their standards and then the Co-Chairs will determine how to combine the information in the final document.

c. Public Folders Access: Dr. Coleman indicated that some folders in Public Folders are not accessible from off-campus. IT will be looking into that access.

3. Review of Work Group 2 – draft: Work Group 2 gave their presentation of Standards 3 to the Steering Committee to review again. Tom Mihevc, as chair of the subcommittee dealing with Standard 3, reviewed the recent revisions to their document. Comments

and suggestions were made by the Steering Committee members and he will investigate/incorporate the issues.

4. Work Group Presentations: The Chair and Liaison of Work Group 6 would like to begin their review on Oc-

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MVCC alumnus weds

MVCC graduate Kenneth Lee Farrington, II, married Angeline Lee Chapman on June 17, 2006 at the First Methodist Church in Ilion.

The groom is the son of Kenneth and Alta Farrington of Ilion. He graduated from Ilion High School before attending MVCC where he earned an A.A.S. degree in civil engineering. Mr. Farrington went on to earn a B.S. degree in civil engineering from SUNY IT.

He is currently employed by S.R. Sloan Inc. The couple honeymooned in Virginia Beach and Colonial Williamsburg.

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competitive job market. Making the situation worse is that SUNY Oneonta only offers the “first grade to sixth” certification to MVCC students.

“This change makes our students less marketable,” said Dr. Lomeo-Smrtic. “When principals and superintendents go to hire a new teacher, they want someone who can teach pre-k through sixth grade.”

Since 2004, principals and superintendents across the state have been complaining about the lack of qualified candidates and according to Dr. Lomeo-Smrtic, New York State Education Department Deputy Commissioner Joseph Frey is now reconsidering converting back to the previous classifications.

Another problem faced by MVCC’s education students is that SUNY Cortland is the nearest state college to offer dual certification. This isn’t a problem for students who can relocate, but for many of the adult-students in MVCC’s program the distance is insurmountable.

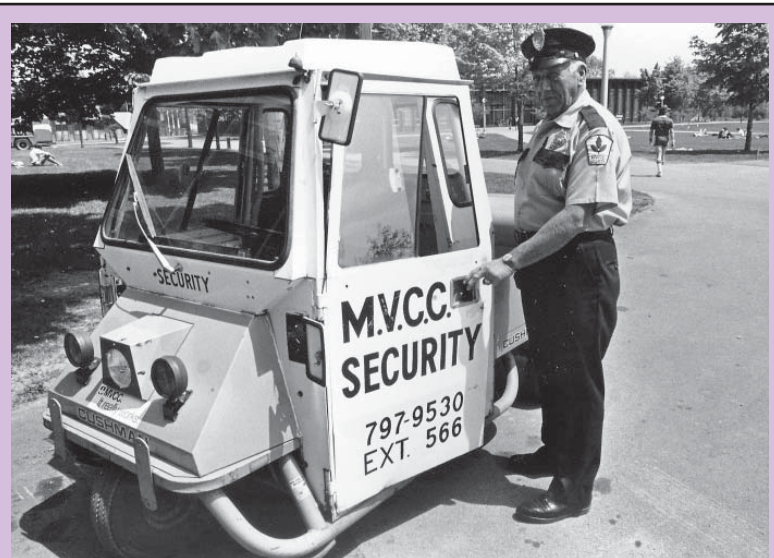
One of the solutions for these students is Utica College, which offers the dual certification. But tuition costs are significantly higher.

“We have developed a good relationship with both Utica College and SUNY Cortland for making the transfer as seamless as possible,” said Dr. Lomeo-Smrtic.

The MVCC education program currently has between 350-and-400 students. The program offers four options, Childhood Education; Adolescent Education; Oneonta 2+2; and Articulation for Utica College.

Another SUNY issue that has surfaced are the new certification mandates that require elementary teachers to specialize in one of four fields of study: English, history, science or mathematics.

“They are asking teachers to become specialized when they really need to have these teachers be generalists,” said Dr. Lomeo-Smrtic. “We are really advocating child development as a major.”



Keeping MVCC safe - When stepping onto MVCC’s Utica or Rome campuses, students and employees take their safety for granted. This feeling of confidence is due to the diligent efforts of the college’s security force.

Upcoming Events on MVCC Campuses

Monday, October 30

- Ski Club Meeting, PH 102, 3:30 pm
- Pilates, ACC 116, 5:30 pm
- Scottish Dancing, ACC 116, 7:00 pm
- Cultural Series Movie: “The Machinist,” IT Theater, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 31

- Brown Bag Luncheon Series: “Note Taking,” ACC 116, 11:00 am
- Ski Club Meeting, PH 102, 3:30 pm
- Halloween Costume Contest and Caricature, PC Atrium Rome Campus, 12:30 pm
- Yoga, ACC 116, 5:30 pm
- Night Hawk Café, MV Commons, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 1

- “Meet The Candidates” IT Theater, 4:00 pm
- Women’s Basketball at Jefferson CC, 6:00 pm
- Ice Hockey at Broome CC, 7:00 pm
- Men’s Basketball at Jefferson CC, 8:00 pm
- Night Hawk Café, MV Commons, 7:00 pm
- MVCC Concert Band Practice, ACC 116, 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 2

- U.S. Army Representatives, ACC Interlude, 3:30 pm
- Open Mic Night, ACC 116, 5:30 pm
- Ballroom Dancing, MV Commons, 7:00 pm

Friday, November 3

- MVCC Chess Club, ACC Interlude, 3:30 pm
- Caribbean Club – Food Festival, ACC 116, 6:00 pm
- Black Student Union Party, MV Commons, 8:00 pm

Saturday, Nov. 4

- Oneida County Civil Service Exams, AB 218-233, 9:00 am
- Cross Country at NJCAA Nationals at Alfred State College, 10:00 am

Sunday, November 5

- Ice Hockey hosts Monroe CC, 2:00 pm
- Women’s Basketball at SUNY Canton, 2:00 pm
- Men’s Basketball at SUNY Canton, 4:00 pm

Tuesday, November 7

- Ice Hockey hosts Hudson Valley CC, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 8

- Women’s Basketball hosts Tompkins-Cortland CC, 6:00 pm
- Men’s Basketball hosts Tompkins-Cortland CC, 8:00 pm

Friday, November 10

- Men’s Basketball hosts MVCC Tournament, 6:00 & 8:00 pm

Saturday, November 11

- Ice Hockey at Erie CC, 7:40 pm
- Men’s Basketball hosts MVCC Tournament, 12:00 & 2:00 pm

Board of Trustee's October 16 meeting

The MVCC Board of Trustees met October 16, at 4:00 p.m. on in Payne Hall Room 300, Utica Campus.

Reports

Treasurer's Report: Ralph Feola, Vice President for Administrative Services, reported that the College's audit had begun and that auditors would be on campus for the next two weeks. Trustee N. Joseph Yagey, Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee told the board that once the audit was complete, results would be distributed to all trustees.

Committee Reports – Presidential Search committee: N. Joseph Yagey, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee reported that the Presidential Search Position Paper is on the MVCC web site as well as in The Chronicle of Higher Education. The next meeting of the Presidential Search Committee is Wednesday, November 29.

Student Trustee's Report: Mr. Paul Malinowski reported that he will attend the SUNY Student Assembly Conference in Poughkeepsie, New York next weekend. Also, Student Congress and Sodexo have joined forces to help feed area residents who are in need with the "Cans Across America" food drive. Student Congress will present a prize to the College Club and also the Athletic Team that makes the largest food donation.

Millennium Policy Board Report: David Mathis distributed a Millennium Project update prepared by Vice President DiGiorgio and Millennium Project Director, Delores Caruso. This document will help us get the Millennium Project back on the right track. He also mentioned that it would be helpful if the update included dates as appropriate. In the planning stages is a dinner with President Schafer, Marilyn Skermont, Superintendent, Utica Schools, MVCC Board of Trustees and the Utica School Board to discuss the future of the Millennium Project.

Rome Campus Commission Report: Michael Austin, Chair of the Rome Campus Commission reported that

the minutes of the last meeting will be mailed this week and the next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, October 18.

Auxiliary Services Committee Report: Mr. Calli reported that the Auxiliary Services Committee met earlier today and the new credit card processing fee system was discussed.

NYCCT/ACCT: Mr. Mathis said he attended the ACCT (Association of Community College Trustees) in Orlando, Florida, October 11-15. He attended a workshop led by Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings and distributed a report from that workshop entitled A Test of Leadership Charting the Future of U.S. Higher Education.

Mr. Mathis would like MVCC to investigate avenues to publicize our Boeing 727. President Schafer said he plans on a presentation highlighting the Boeing 727 and the Airframe and Powerplant Program at the February, 2007 meeting of the APPCC (Association of Presidents of Public Community Colleges) as well as the March, 2007 meeting of NYCCT (New York Community College Trustees).

Chairman's Report: Chair Sheila Vandever reported that the Rome Campus hosted a Business After Hours reception in partnership with the Rome Area Chamber of Commerce on Friday, October 13. Mrs. Vandever reported that along with Trustees Yagey, Austin and Wolf she attended MVCC's Open House and tree planting ceremony in celebration of the 60th anniversary on Saturday, October 14. Mrs. Vandever congratulated President Schafer and his staff on a fine job in showcasing MVCC's many opportunities and contributions at both events.

President's Report: During the President's report, the Board heard presentations from Sarah Beth Lardie, Paul Katchmar, and Joan Andrek.

Ms. Lardie's presentation covered the recent evaluation of donor tracking software undertaken by the Institutional Advancement and Information Technology offices at the College. She explained to the Board that the offices

evaluated five different donor tracking software packages, and opted to more fully deploy Banner, already in use at MVCC. Ms. Lardie noted that Banner was already in use for donor records at most other SUNY schools, and MVCC staff had a high level of expertise with the software already. She indicated that she and her staff would receive additional training on Banner modules not currently in use that were applicable to donor records, and that the system would likely be full implemented in Institutional Advancement by mid-2007.

Paul Katchmar gave the Board an overview of MVCC's current telephone and voice mail systems and discussed future communications needs for the College. He said the current telephone system had originally been purchased in the mid 1980s and had been overhauled approximately 9 years ago. Similarly, the voice mail system had been in place for nearly ten years, and both phone and voice mail systems were now becoming expensive and time-consuming to maintain. Mr. Katchmar noted that several key elements of each system would soon be "retired," meaning that there would no longer be technical support from the manufacturer.

He discussed with the Board several system replacement scenarios including traditional phone and voice mail systems as well as Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) systems, which would require enhancement to the college's computer network to be viable. Mr. Katchmar said next steps were to wait to hear whether the county and state would provide matching dollars to fund an upgrade in the system and to see if the College's computer network could also be upgraded which would allow VOIP to be considered more fully.

Ms. Andrek presented an overview of marketing strategies she had developed to date, noting that marketing for the college would be focused on majority audiences first, and would concentrate on publications and messages that supported the Enrollment Funnel.

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Mohawk Valley Community College 2006-07 Winter Athletic Schedule

Saturday, October 28

Ice Hockey vs. SUNY Canton at SUNY Morrisville, 3:15 pm

Sunday, October 29

Ice Hockey at SUNY Morrisville, 11:30 am

Wednesday, November 1

Ice Hockey at Broome CC, 7:00 pm

Women's Basketball at Jefferson CC, 6:00 pm

Men's Basketball at Jefferson CC, 8:00 pm

Sunday, November 5

Ice Hockey hosts Monroe CC, 2:00 pm

Women's Basketball at SUNY Canton, 2:00 pm

Men's Basketball at SUNY Canton, 4:00 pm

Tuesday, November 7

Ice Hockey hosts Hudson Valley CC, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 8

Women's Basketball hosts Tompkins-Cortland CC, 6:00 pm

Men's Basketball hosts Tompkins-Cortland CC, 8:00 pm

Friday, November 10

Men's Basketball hosts MVCC Tournament, 6:00 & 8:00 pm

Saturday, November 11

Ice Hockey at Erie CC, 7:40 pm

Men's Basketball hosts MVCC Tournament, 12:00 & 2:00 pm

Tuesday, November 14

Women's Basketball at Broome CC, 6:00 pm

Men's Basketball at Broome CC, 8:00 pm

Saturday, November 18

Ice Hockey at SUNY Morrisville, 9:15 pm

Women's Basketball at Columbia-Greene CC, 1:00 pm

Men's Basketball at Columbia-Greene CC, 3:00 pm

Sunday, November 19

Ice Hockey at SUNY Morrisville, 12:45 pm

Tuesday, November 21

Women's Basketball at Cayuga CC, 6:00 pm

Men's Basketball at Cayuga CC, 8:00 pm

Tuesday, November 28

Women's Basketball hosts Herkimer CCC, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 29

Ice Hockey at Hudson Valley CC, 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 30

Men's Basketball host Fulton-Montgomery CC, 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 2

Ice Hockey at SUNY Canton, 2:30 pm

Women's Basketball at Adirondack CC, 1:00 pm

Men's Basketball at Adirondack CC, 3:00 pm

Tuesday, November 5

Women's Basketball host Onondaga CC, 6:00 pm

Men's Basketball host Onondaga CC, 8:00 pm

Wednesday, December 6

Ice Hockey at Broome CC, 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 7

Women's Basketball host Schenectady CCC, 5:00 pm

Men's Basketball host Schenectady CCC, 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 9

Ice Hockey hosts North Country CC, 3:00 pm

Women's Basketball at Genesee CC, 2:00 pm

Men's Basketball at Genesee CC, 4:00 pm

Sunday, December 10

Track & Field at Cornell, 10:00 am

Friday, January 12

Men's Basketball at Notre Dame Prep., 7:00 pm

Wednesday, December 13

Men's Basketball at CC of Rhode Island, 3:00 pm

Ice Hockey at Monroe CC, 7:00 pm

Friday, January 12

Women's Basketball at Notre Dame Prep., 5:00 pm

Saturday, January 13

Women's Basketball at CC of Rhode Island, 1:00 pm

Monday, January 15

Ice Hockey at Erie CC, 1:40 pm

Wednesday, January 17

Women's Basketball hosts SUNY Delhi, 7:00 pm

Thursday, January 18

Men's Basketball host Adirondack CC, 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 20

Track & Field at Hamilton College, 11:00 am

Men's Basketball at Hudson Valley CC, 1:00 pm

Women's Basketball at Hudson Valley CC, 3:00 pm

Sunday, January 21

Hawk Bowling Invitational, TBA

Ice Hockey hosts Monroe CC, 6:00 pm

Tuesday, January 23

Women's Basketball hosts SUNY Cobleskill, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 24

Bowling at Columbia-Greene CC, 3:00 pm

Ice Hockey hosts Broome CC, 7:00 pm

Men's Basketball host SUNY Delhi, 7:00 pm

Thursday, January 25

Women's Basketball hosts Williams College, 6:00 pm

Friday, January 26

Women's Basketball hosts Adirondack CC, 6:00 pm

Saturday, January 27

Track & Field at Colgate College, 10:00 am

Ice Hockey at North Country CC, TBA

Sunday, January 28

Ice Hockey at North Country CC, TBA

Tuesday, January 30

Women's Basketball at Finger Lakes CC, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 31

Men's Basketball host Herkimer CCC, 7:00 pm

Thursday, February 1

Bowling at Hudson Valley CC, 3:00 pm

Women's Basketball hosts Fulton-Montgomery CC, 7:00 pm

Friday, February 2

Men's Basketball at Finger Lakes CC, 7:00 pm

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Phi Theta Kappa inducts 43 new members

The Lambda Beta Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society welcomed 43 new members during the Fall Induction Ceremony on Friday, October 20, 2006 in the Alumni College Center.

President Michael I. Schafer, Vice-President Dr. Dan Larson, and Dean Dr. Ron Cantor were present to honor and recognize the students for their academic excellence.

Phi Theta Kappa is the International Honor Society for the Two-Year College. It was founded in 1918 and is the largest honor society in American higher education.

Membership in Phi Theta Kappa is offered to students who have a 3.5 GPA or higher over at least 12 credit hours in

a degree program.

Those being honored were:

Zainab Ali, James Barton, Nicholas Bruno, Anthony Calandra, Rosemarie Candow-Clynn, Devin Clive, Natalie DeBernardis, Chris DeWolfe, Michael East, Rosemary Eddy,

Katherine Endres, Jennifer Florczyk, Erik Fredsell, Julia Galime, Susan Gardner-McWayne, Vicki Giacobelli, Amber Hajjar, Jessica Hanmer, Joshua Hopkins, Kristina Houck,

Sung Kyung Kwak, Katherine Lelio, Farshad Madhi, Jason Mammosser, Jason Manley, Thomas Manning, Angela Martin, Lisa Mezza, Michael Oczkowski, Stacy Oines, Corey O'Neil,

David Pokon, Courtney Powers, Megan Primeau, Sheryl Sevey, Justin Smith, Jennifer Stewart, Anthony Swancott, John Martin Taranto Jr., Bethany Tucker, Emily Wager, Christopher Warren, and Kristine Wendt.



Good job mommy - Bailey Dunn helps her mommy, Corey O'Neil, take her pledge at the Phi Theta Kappa induction ceremony on Friday, October 20th.

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Ms. Andrek also suggested strategies to reach back to students as early as the ninth grade, and on focusing advertising messages within media that truly reach the target audience. She also noted that a separate campaign aimed at the non-traditional student would be a wise investment and that program-specific advertising and marketing could be a valuable technique for reaching older prospects. Finally, she suggested that market research, including focus groups, surveys, and a comprehensive audit of current communication strategies would be very appropriate work to help refine marketing strategy overall.

New Business: The Board approved a list of adjunct faculty.

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October 20th, a week earlier than scheduled.

October 6 - Work Group 2 – Standard 3 continued

October 20 - Work Group 6

November 3 - Work Group 6, Work Group 1

November 17 - Work Group 5, Work Group 7

December 1 - Work Group 3, Work Group 4

Reminders:

a. Work Group Chairs should provide a date and page numbers on each of the draft documents and be prepared to highlight issues during the review.

b. Drafts should be sent out by the Monday of the week when the draft will be reviewed by the Steering Committee.

c. Description and analysis sections should be separated in the document

d. Drafts should provide reference to documents that validate statements/recommendations

5. Scheduled Steering Committee Meetings:

Scheduled Steering Committee Meetings in PH300 from 9:30-11 a.m. Friday, October 20; Friday, November 3; Friday, November 17; Friday, December 1; Friday, December 15.

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Saturday, February 3

Track & Field at Syracuse Invitational, 10:00 am

Tuesday, February 6

Bowling at Adirondack CC, 3:00 pm

Ice Hockey hosts SUNY Canton, 7:00 pm

Women's Basketball at SUNY Cobleskill, 6:00 pm

Men's Basketball at SUNY Cobleskill, 8:00 pm

Thursday, February 8

Women's Basketball host Columbia-Greene, 6:00 pm

Men's Basketball host Columbia-Greene, 8:00 pm

Friday, February 9

Bowling hosts ???, 3:00 pm

Track & Field at Cornell University Pentathlon, 6:00 pm

Ice Hockey at Hudson Valley CC, 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 10

Track & Field at Cornell University, 10:00 am

Women's Basketball hosts Hudson Valley CC, 1:00 pm

Men's Basketball hosts Hudson Valley CC, 3:00 pm

Sunday, February 11

Ice Hockey hosts Erie CC, 5:00 pm

Tuesday, February 13

Ice Hockey at Sub-Regionals at Hudson Valley CC, TBA

Women's Basketball at SUNY Delhi, 5:00 pm

Men's Basketball at SUNY Delhi, 7:00 pm

MVCC GALA



Good friends plus good food equals a good time - Rich Pucine and Sheri Vitale join Franca and Steve Armstrong for a night of entertainment during the Fifth Annual MVCC Gala on Saturday, October 28, in the Information Technology/Performing Arts Conference Center.

Sounds of The Supremes rock MVCC Gala Night

The sounds of Motown were rocking the MVCC Theater as The Sounds of The Supremes performed during the Fifth Annual Mohawk Valley Community College Gala Night on Saturday, October 28.

This optional black tie event began with a cocktail reception featuring some of the finest foods in Central New York.

The Sounds of the Supremes performed such hits as "You Keep Me Hanging On," "Love Child," "Baby Love," and "Stop In The Name Of Love," while many guests danced in the aisles.

The post-concert reception offered an assortment of sweet deserts.

Tribute to Robert R. Jorgensen



Honoring the man - Hundreds of friends and family members turned out Friday for a tribute to Robert R. Jorgensen, who dedicated 30 years of his life to MVCC. Above, current MVCC Athletic Director Gary Broadhurst talks of Mr. Jorgensen's accomplishments. Right, Mr. Jorgensen is cheered while being introduced.



Friend, educator, mentor - Mike Briggs, MVCC Class of 1963, traveled from Georgia to be on hand for the tribute to Robert R. Jorgensen and the dedication of the future athletic complex in honor of the former MVCC educator, coach, athletic director and mentor to so



many. Mr. Briggs pledged to match private contributions toward the fulfillment of this honor. Above is a watercolor rendering of the new complex that will be built adjacent to the current gymnasium building.