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May 7, 2007 **MVCC**

MVCC Faculty/Staff Newsletter



TERM PAPER CONTEST WINNERS - The winners of the 17th annual Marjorie Thorpe Memorial Term Paper Contest were honored during a ceremony in the MVCC Library on the Utica Campus on Monday, May 7. Presenting awards was Dr. Dan Larson, Vice-President for Instruction, third from left. Award winners were (I to r): Holly Smith, Second Place; Michael Scalzo, First Place; and Maria Vann,

17th annual Marjorie Thorpe **Memorial Term Paper Contest**

The MVCC Library announced the winners of the 17th annual Marjorie Thorpe Memorial Term Paper Contest.

Marjorie Thorpe was a librarian at MVCC from 1962 until her retirement in 1968. In 1982 she was awarded the title Professor Emerita for her outstanding service to the College. She died in 1989 at the age of 91, leaving a sum of money to the College Library to be used for the annual term paper contest.

This year, 26 papers were submitted by 23 students from Oneida, Herkimer, Lewis, Rensselaer, and Otsego counties and judged by six librarians from the Utica and Rome campuses. The papers were judged on the variety and quality of sources, accurate and appropriate use of references (bibliography and citations), and writing style.

First place goes to Michael A. Scalzo of Utica for his Honors Project paper entitled "Breaking the Cycle of Addiction: Building Resilience in At-Risk Adolescents." His paper was written for AS 202 Alcoholism/Addiction and Family Systems and was mentored by Associate Professor Patricia Hirsch. He received a check for \$100 and a certificate. Michael is a second-time first place winner in the contest, having won in 2006.

Second place went to Holly Smith of Blossvale for her paper "Events Occur-

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Affirmative Action Plan presented to **Board of Trustees**

The following is an addendum to the MVCC Board of Trustee minutes for the April 23 meeting.

At the Board of Trustees meeting on April 23, Dennis Gibbons, Director of Student Housing, reviewed the new college Affirmative Action Plan with the board. This plan was completed under the direction of Jerry Brown while Mr. Gibbons was a Practicum student in the Human Resources Office.

This plan was modeled according to the standards of the Department of Labor.

The plan has three sections:

- 1 It studied the current composition of the MVCC staff.
- 2 It included an availability analysis for women and minorities in the labor force.
- 3 It identified action plans and goals to increase the ethnic and female composition of the MVCC staff to be more reflective of the labor force revealed via the availability analysis.

The plan was approved by the Affirmative Action Committee and the College Senate.

Please submit information for inclusion in Communitas to Richard Haubert at rhaubert@mvcc.edu

MVCC librarians promote information literacy

In an effort to educate area school librarians about information literacy skills and the knowledge their students will need to enter college, MVCC Librarians Colleen Kehoe-Robinson and Krista Hartman presented a series of workshops via Microsoft Live Meeting in March and April in conjunction with Patricia Skelly, Coordinator of the Oneida-Herkimer BOCES School Library System.

The four workshops dealt with what's new in search engines, tips for searching the Web, how to evaluate web sites, what's new in online journal databases and tips for searching them, citation styles used in college, and copyright and plagiarism issues.

School librarians from as far away as Remsen and Little Falls "attended"

the workshops by use of home computers. These same workshops were given through the MVCC Utica Campus Library computer lab in November and December 2006 and in January 2007.

Feedback has been positive, with participants commenting on how much they learned and stating their intentions to share this information with their colleagues. Patricia Skelly, who has been a participant of both the oncampus and Live Meeting workshops, has asked that this series be offered again this coming fall.

At the request of Skelly, Kehoe-Robinson and Hartman will hold a new series of five workshops at the MVCC Utica Campus Library computer lab this summer, from August 6-10.

Designed for teachers as well as school librarians, topics will include Ready Reference on the Web, Web Sites for Teachers and Other Educators, Children's Literature Web Sites, Local History on the Web, and Accessing the "Hidden Internet." Each two-hour session will give participants tips on searching the Web as well as a chance to explore a variety of web sites. Depending on the response to these workshops, they may also be offered later in the year via Microsoft Live Meeting.

Kehoe-Robinson and Hartman will continue to work with Skelly to prepare area students for the world of higher academics. They have also spoken with Keith Lynip about the possibility of offering adaptations of their workshops to new faculty and adjuncts.

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ring on Thursday, December 4th, 1986, and Their Updates," written for English 101 for Professor George Searles. She received a check for \$75 and a certificate.

Third place winner was Stephanie Berberick of Utica for her paper "Silence Overcomes the Self: Exploring John Singer's Death," written for English 102 for Instructor Lewis Kahler. She received a check for \$50 and a certificate.

Fourth place went to Holly Baslow of Lyons Falls for her paper "Inside the Criminal Mind: What Causes Criminal Behavior?," written for English 101 for Assistant Professor Mildred Treis. She received a check for \$25 and a certificate.

Honorable mention went to two individuals. Sabrina Livermore of Rome received a certificate for her paper "Civil Rights Movement," written for English 101 for Instructor Jacqueline Corbett. Second honorable mention went to Maria Vann of Fly Creek, who receives a certificate for her paper "Conscription, the Irish and New York City: Formula for Unrest," written for History of Civilization 2 for Assistant Professor William Zogby. Maria won second place in 2006 and fourth place in 2005.

The MVCC Library would like to thank all those students who submitted papers to the contest. Also appreciated are the efforts of Christopher M. Amato, Kimberly Behrendt, Jill Bodnar, Jennifer Carle, Grady R. Carpenter, Sara DeLaBruere, Alyssa Falbo, Shannon Golden, Kelly Hickling, Jennifer Lawrence, Melissa Loiacano, Kim Maxwell, Jessica Robenski, Samantha Shaffer, Rano Sou, Sarah Stevens, and John P. Wing, all examples of the fine students to be found at MVCC.

This year's winners were presented with their checks and certificates during an awards ceremony held on Monday, May 7, in the Utica Campus Library.

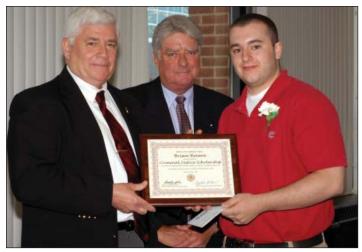
Extended Library Hours for Finals Week

UTICA CAMPUS LIBRARY

Tuesday, May 8 - 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Wednesday, May 9 - 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Thursday, May 10 - 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday, May 11 - 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday, May 12 - 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, May 13 - 1 p.m.-10 p.m. Monday, May 14 - 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Tuesday, May 15 - 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

ROME CAMPUS LIBRARY

Tuesday, May 8 - 8:30 a.m.—8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 9 - 8:30 a.m.—8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 10 - 8:30 a.m.—8:30 p.m. Friday, May 11 - 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12 — CLOSED Sunday, May 13 - CLOSED Monday, May 14 - 8:30 a.m.—8:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 15 - 8:30 a.m.—8:30 p.m.



SHERIFF'S AWARD – Oneida County Sheriff Daniel Middaugh presented MVCC student Brian Revere with the New York State Sheriffs Association Institute's 2007 Criminal Justice Scholarship during a ceremony last week on the Utica Campus. Overseeing the ceremony was President Michael I. Schafer

Social Sciences Students Honored

Mohawk Valley Community College's Social Sciences Department held its "Recognition Ceremony" on Wednesday, May 2, in Room 116 of the Alumni College Center to honor five students for excellence in their fields of study.

Brian Revere was the recipient of the New York State Sheriffs Association Institute's 2007 Criminal Justice Scholarship worth \$500. Revere, a resident of New Hartford, will graduate on May 18 with an Associate in Applied Science for Criminal Justice.

There were three Social Science Faculty/Staff Scholarships worth \$250 awarded. These went to freshman Kimberly Behrendt of Hinckley, freshman Michele Bridge of West Edmeston and senior Stephanie Adamczyk of New York Mills. Adamczyk will graduate May 18 with an Associate in Science for Public Policy and plans to attend SUNY Pottsdam in the fall.

The Looseleaf Law Publication, Inc., Certificate of Recognition was presented to Teresa Jones of Camden. Jones will graduate May 18 with an Associate in Applied Science for Criminal Justice.

On hand for the ceremony was MVCC President Michael I. Schafer and Oneida County Sheriff Daniel Middaugh along with members of the Social Sciences Department.

Bottle drive helps fight cancer

The 6th annual Cans For Cancer can and bottle drive to benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life team "Owen's Outback" will be held Saturday, May 12, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, located at 1736 Burrstone Road.

The "Owen's Outback" team is in loving memory of Owen Riley Kimball.

MVCC Campus Events

Tuesday, May 8

- Police Academy, IT 225, 8:00 am
- Kiddie Campus Picnic, Kiddie Campus, 4:30 pm
- Yoga, ACC 116, 5:30 pm
- Night Hawk Café, MV Commons, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 9

- Police Academy, IT 225, 8:00 am
- Night Hawk Café, MV Commons, 7:00 pm

Thursday, May 10

• Foundation Scholarship Awards Ceremony,

IT Theater, 5:30 pm

Friday, May 11

- Honor's Presentation, PH 300, 2:00 pm
- Chess Club, ACC 114, 3:00 pm

Saturday, May 12

• Oneida County Civil Service Exams, AB 218-235, 9:00 am

Monday, May 14

• Electronic Job Search Workshop, PC 252, 1:00 pm

Wednesday, May 16

- Summer Institute Showcase: The Small Works Gallery on the second floor of Information Technology Building.
- · Summer Institute, Classes held all day

Thursday, May 17

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Friday, May 18

• Commencement Ceremony, Utica Aud, 4:00 pm

Monday, May 21

- Electronic Job Search Workshop, PC 252, 1:00 pm
- Empire Aero Center Computer Training, PC 252, 8:00 am



CAREER NETWORKING – Alony Zechriya talks with Christopher Crolius, a '78 Civil Engineering Technology graduate, during the Graduate and Alumni Networking Reception held on the second floor lobby and Room 225 of the Information Technology Building on Wednesday, May 2. Mr. Crolius is an architect with March Associates Architects and Planners, PLLC, of Utica. This event brought together over 20 May graduates with 16 MVCC alumni in an effort to give students an opportunity to network and make connections in the business world.



10th annual Ted Moore 5K Run/Walk off and running

Mohawk Valley Community College held the 10th annual Theodore "Ted" Moore 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, May 5, on the Utica Campus. There were 174 participants which was the largest turnout for the event. The awards and results are as follows:

Overall Male Winner: Mike Massoud, Sauguoit, 19:09

Overall Female Winner: Lisa Bunce, Clinton, 20:36

Male: Age 10 and under

- 1. Kevin Barrows, Clay, 40:20 Female: Age 10 and under
- 1. Morgan Steere, Deerfield, 32:02
- 2. Avery Snyder, Morrisville, 40:43

 Male: Age 11-14
- 1. Kit Delconte, Sherrill, 25:34
- 2. Kirke Delconte, Sherrill, 25:52 Male: Age 15-19
- 1. Jacob Waddell, Cassville, 20:55
- 2. Patricio Whitton, Clinton, 22:05
- 3. Kelsey Barra, Newport, 22:10 Female: Age 15-19
- 1. Lauren Michels, Clinton, 27:20
- 2. Christina Reap, Clinton, 28:30
- 3. Nikki Avilla, Walton, 30:17

Male: Age 20-24

- 1. Chris Evans, Waterville, 20:39
- 2. Michael Sanchez, Whitesboro, 23:16
- 3. Daniel White, New Hartford, 25:49 Female: Age 20-24
- 1. Adrienne Campbell, Whitesboro, 22:49
- 2. Jennifer McOwen, Remsen, 28:50
- Jessica Hanmer, Whitesboro, 29:57Male: Age 25-29
- 1. Harley Creedon, Utica, 26:36
- 2. Christopher Wilczek, Utica, 28:17 Female 25-29
- 1. Amanda Lovett, Rome, 32:00 Male: Age 30-34
- 1. Jason Rende, Oriskany, 19:15
- 2. Mark Thomas, Utica, 20:59
- 3. Brett Vanderlan, Utica, 25:50 Female: Age 30-34
- 1. Amanda Vanderlan, Utica, 26:48
- 2. Melissa Abdoo, Utica, 28:46

 Male: Age 35-39
- 1. Chris Tullar, Utica, 20:39
- 2. James, Humphrey, Utica, 21:39
- 3. Stefano Nivaggi, Utica, 26:32 Female: Age 35-39
- 1. Joleen Riscica, Utica, 31:31
- 2. Lisa Murphy, Clayville, 41:08
- Male: Age: 40-44
- 1. Scott Truitt, Clinton, 21:09

- 2. Scott Adams, Rome, 21:59
- 3. Sean Steere, Deerfield, 32:14 Female: Age 40-44
- 1. Christine Burke, Clinton, 28:10

 Male: Age 45-49
- 1. Michael Dunn, Chadwicks, 22:05
- 2. Earl Davis, Barneveld, 27:42
- 3. Harold Meyers, New Hartford, 31:04 Female: Age 45-49
- 1. Diana Ayers-Darling, Salisbury Center, 28:50
- 2. Pamela Fess, Whitesboro, 30:37
- 3. Marion Oswald, Old Forge, 32:48

 Male: Age 50-54
- 1. Rob Ichihana, Herkimer, 22:13
- 2. James Siepiola, Clinton, 22:32
- 3. Ralph Eannace, Utica, 30:28 Female: Age 50-54
- 1. Virginia Traux, Clayville, 23:33
- 2. Marie Bowens, Utica, 31:09 Male: Age 55-59
- 1. Tom Bick, Frankfort, 21:02
- 2. Bub Barra, Newport, 24:23
- 3. Ray Brych, Munnsville, 24:28

 Male: Age 60-64
- 1. Daniel Jadlowski, Whitesboro, 28:14
- 2. Joe Kappler, West Winfield, 31:09

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Male: Age 65-69

- 1. Kermit Cadrette, Rome, 23:23
- 2. Dick Stanley, Whitesboro, 24:29
- 3. Joe Madeira, Schuyler, 28:25

Male: Age 70 and Older

- 1. Hart Anway, Clinton, 28:39
- 2. Albert Savicki, Clinton, 33:02

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| 22. Brian Roberts | Remsen | 23:49 | 77. Kristyn Yaple | Oneonta | 32:07 |
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Civil and Surveying Engineering Technology graduates on cutting edge with GIS training

MVCC's Brian Judycki, Instructor in the Engineering Technologies & Trades Department recently had this article on the college's GIS training published in the New York State GIS Newsletter.

The Engineering Technologies and the Trades department at Mohawk Valley Community College is integrating GIS into their Tac-Abet accredited Civil and Surveying Engineering Technology degree programs. Last fall the department created two news courses: CT 265 Introduction to GIS and CT 266 Capstone GIS.

The Introduction to GIS class introduces students to map making skills, coordinate systems, file conversions along with the techniques and concepts of GIS. Students also work towards a collaborative final project using GIS.

In Capstone GIS students create their own independent application in GIS. Several of the applications have been used to assist local business and communities. Students do research, collect field data and populate attributes for the various themes. Department Head Frank Przybycien says, "Integrating this technology with our Civil and Survey students will put them on the cutting edge for a career path."

We also offer CT 263, Digital Mapping, which emphasizes the fundamentals and applications of remote sensing.

Our computer laboratories are equipped with state of the art technology. MVCC has a site license for ArcGIS 9.2 with the following extensions: Spatial Analyst, Image Analyst, Stereo Analyst, 3D Analyst, Survey Analyst and Geo-Statistical Analyst. Pathfinder Office, and Carlson Survey.



Our laboratory hardware includes 4 Thales Survey Grade GPS Receivers, 6 Leica Total Stations, 7 Leica Theodolites, 12 Automatic Levels, 7 Garmin E-Trex Legend Mapping GPS Receivers, 2 TopCon Real-Time Kinematic GPS Receivers and 2 Trimble Geo-Explorers.

All of our labs are hands on and are tied closely to applications in industry. The rewarding experience is that the graduates not only leave MVCC knowing about GIS, Remote Sensing or GPS, but they actually know how to do it.

MVCC Faces: Tasha Peterson

When it comes to getting the little extra help for special needs students, Tasha Peterson is on the job in the Services for Students with Disabilities Office.

Mrs. Peterson was hired two months ago as the College's Learning Disabilities Specialist, working with Lynn Igoe.

This Utica resident provides a wide range of support services and accommodations to college students with learning disabilities.

Mrs. Peterson holds a Bachelor of Science in psychology from Utah Valley State College. She is married with two children, ages 2 and 4. Her hobbies include camping, hiking and creating scrapbooks.

