# Communitas

MVCC Faculty/Staff Newsletter

September 17, 2007


## MVCC marches for Parkinson's Awareness

A number of MVCC staff, including President Dr. Randall VanWagoner and his family, attended the Parkinson's Awareness Walk on Saturday, September 8, at the Presbyterian Home in New Hartford. The MVCC communities raised more than $1,000 for the Home's Parkinson's Residence.

MVCC trustee Michael Austin, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2005, was the Grand Marshall of the event. More than 300 walkers raised more than $50,000, the highest total in the event's five-year history and more than double the previous year's total.

"My thanks go to everyone from MVCC who walked or donated," said Mr. Austin. "I was thrilled to see the MVCC banner at the walk and I am greatly appreciative for the support. The money you raised will help make the lives of Parkinson's patients a little easier at a unique facility that is helping explore new ways to use motion- and voice-activated technology to give people with movement disorders more independence."

## 25th Annual International Peace Day

Members of the MVCC community will be taking part in celebrating the 25th Annual International Day of Peace.

There will be a gathering on Friday, September 21 , from 12:00 p.m. to 12:50 in Room 116 in the Alumni College Center.

Everyone is invited to share their ideas with fellow peacemakers, listen to some great music, share information on ways to create peace, and help to make plans for more peacemaking activities on campus.

To show support for this international event, wear a white armband.

For more information on the IDP, check out www.internationaldayofpeace.org and www.cultureofpeace.org/about.cfm.

## Panel to discuss Constitutional impact of sex offender confinement

In the spirit of free speech and open government, MVCC's Public Policy Club will host a "Constitution Day" panel discussion on the constitutional legality and impact of New York State's Mental Hygiene Law, Article 10. This law requires the civil confinement of paroled sex offenders.

The panel discussion will be held today, Monday, September 17, at 12:00 p.m. in the Performing Arts and Conference Center's theater on the Utica Campus.

This event is open free to the public and all are encouraged to attend.

Members of the panel will be Dr. Dennis Lee, Department of Social Services; Stephen C. Clark, Principal Attorney for NYS Department of Mental Hygiene Legal Service; and Dr. Richard Stempien, Department of Social Services.

# 2007 Fall Chess Tournament

The MVCC Chess Club will host the 2007 Fall Chess Tournament on Saturday, October 13, in Room 116 of the Alumni College Center on the Utica Campus.

Registration will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. The entry fee is $30 for general public and $20 for MVCC students. Prizes will be determined by the number of participants.

There will be four rounds at 9:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 2:15 p.m., and 5:30 p.m.

The Tournament Director is Joe Ball. For more information contact Dr. Jonathan Meeter at 222-8105 or Dr. A. Mildred Treis at 792-5493.

# College library hours extended

In response to student and faculty suggestions, the Utica Campus Library hours have been extended. Effective immediately, the normal semester hours will be as follows:

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| Monday through Thursday | 8:00 am – 9:00 pm |
| Friday | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm |
| Saturday | Noon – 5:00 pm |
| Sunday | 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm |

The Rome Campus Library semester hours remain the same:

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| Monday through Thursday | 8:30 am – 8:30 pm |
| Friday | 8:30 am – 4:30 pm |
| Saturday/Sunday | Closed |

To submit other ideas for improving library services on either campus library, please email Steve Frisbee, Director of College Libraries, at sfrisbee@mvcc.edu.

## MVCC Campus Events

**Monday, Sept. 17**

Constitution Day, Theater, 12:00 p.m.
MVCC Board of Trustees Meeting, PH 300, 4:00 p.m.
Women's Soccer at Finger Lakes CC, 4:00 p.m.
Women's Tennis hosts SUNY Delhi, 4:00 p.m.
MVCC Chess Club, ACC 114, 4:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, Sept. 18**

Police Academy, IT 225, 8:00 a.m.
College Senate, PH 300, 2:30 p.m.
Women Volleyball at Herkimer CCC, 6:00 p.m.
Ballroom Dancing, AB Lobby, 7:00 p.m.
Night Hawk Café, MV Commons, 7:00 p.m.
CS Lecture: David Coleman, The Dating Doctor, Theater, 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, Sept. 19**

Police Academy, IT 225, 8:00 a.m.
Brown Bag Series, ACC 116, 1:00 p.m.
CS Lecture: David Pogue – 5 Technologies for the Next Five Years, Theater, 2:00 p.m.
Men's Soccer hosts Finger Lakes CC, 4:00 p.m.
Women's Tennis at Onondaga CC, 4:00 p.m.
Night Hawk Café, ACC 116, 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Sept. 20**

MVCAA, IT225, 8:00 p.m.
Oneida County Executive Press Conference, PH 300, 10:00 a.m.
CS Comedian: Jay Black, MV Commons, 12:00 p.m.
Women's Soccer hosts SUNY Delhi, 4:00 p.m.
Women Volleyball host Broome CC, 6:00 p.m.
Ballroom Dancing, MV Commons, 7:00 p.m.
CS Comedian: Jay Black, Plumley Aud., 8:00 p.m.

**Friday, Sept. 21**

MVCAA, IT 225, 8:00 a.m.
International Peace Day, ACC 116, 12:00 p.m.
Student Congress, ACC 112, 1:00 p.m.
Women's Tennis hosts Hudson Valley CC, 4:00 p.m.

**Saturday, Sept. 22**

Utica Symphony Meeting, ACC 116, 9:00 a.m.
Women Volleyball at SUNY Cobleskill Invitational, 10:00 a.m.
Men's Soccer at Genesee CC, 2:00 p.m.
Women's Soccer at Genesee CC, 2:00 p.m.
CS Concert: Wrong Way – A Tribute to Sublime, Theater, 8:00 p.m.

**Monday, Sept. 24**

Men's Soccer hosts SUNY Cobleskill, 4:00 p.m.
MVCC Chess Club, ACC 114, 4:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, Sept. 25**

Women's Tennis at Herkimer CCC, 4:00 p.m.
Women Volleyball at Fulton-Montgomery, 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, Sept. 26**

Men's Soccer hosts Jefferson CC, 4:00 p.m.
Women's Soccer hosts Jefferson CC, 4:00 p.m.