



Presidential Scholars honored in Rome

When it comes to making college affordable for MVCC's students, the MVCC Foundation is hard at work raising money to fund the more than 90 scholarships totaling more than \$280,000 annually. The most beneficial help comes from the MVCC Presidential Scholarship which is awarded to the top 10 percent of graduates from high schools within Oneida County.

On Monday, October 15, the MVCC Foundation recognized eight Presidential Scholarship recipients at the Rome Area Student Scholars Luncheon at the Beeches Inn & Conference Center. These eight were from western Oneida County and attending classes at the Rome Campus.

"This event was to highlight the importance of the Presidential Scholarship and how it benefits students throughout Oneida County," said Frank DuRoss, Executive Director of Institutional Advancement.

The MVCC Presidential Scholarship provides full tuition for the top 10 percent after the contribution of financial aid. This fall, MVCC has awarded 83 Presidential Scholarships which are renewed annually as long as the student maintains a 3.0 GPA.

There were more than 60 in attendance to recognize these Presidential Scholars from western Oneida County. The students being recognized were Samantha Seymore, Dana Siriano, Samantha Savage, Damen MacDougal, Melissa Boni, Lauren Keaney, Jamie Marcinkowski and Nicolina LaBella.

"Since 1992 the MVCC Foundation has awarded Presidential Scholarships," said MVCC President Randall VanWagoner, Ph.D. "It is the largest scholarship fund through our foundation and makes a significant difference for those students as well as our college as a whole."

Since last spring, 18 percent of the top graduates in Oneida County have enrolled on the Presidential Scholarship. This year 20 students on the scholarship are from Rome and western Oneida County.

VanWagoner noted that the scholarship is given to the "best and brightest" students who can study at MVCC while living at home before starting the next chapter in their life. He said it would inherently deepen their ties to the community and hopefully make the students more likely to return after studying at a four year college.

Several community leaders and elected officials also spoke at the luncheon including Mayor Joseph Fusco Jr., Anthony Picente, Oneida County executive and Richard Quest, Dean of the Rome Campus.



CREAM OF THE CROP – The MVCC Foundation hosted a luncheon to recognize and honor students from western Oneida County who earned the College's Presidential Scholarship. To qualify for the College's Presidential Scholarship, they needed to be in the top 10 percent of their high school's graduating class. In attendance were Samantha Seymore, Dana Siriano, Samantha Savage, Damen MacDougal, Melissa Boni, Lauren Keaney, Jamie Marcinkowski and Nicolina LaBella.

Deal enables MVCC grads to attend Scottish university

As part of its global initiatives, MVCC has developed an articulation agreement for students in several programs to complete their baccalaureate at Royal Gordon University in Aberdeen, Scotland.

Students graduating from MVCC with at least a 3.0 grade point average (GPA) in Business Administration; Accounting; Business Management with a Marketing Concentration; Business Management with a Human Resource Concentration; Management; or Culinary Arts Management are eligible to transfer. They may also receive a \$1,000 scholarship with the agreement running through 2015.

In northeast Scotland, Royal Gordon University was named "The Best Modern University in the U.K. by The Times Good University Guide 2013 and was also named "Best Scottish University 2011." Aberdeen is a city of 200,000 on the North Sea and in 2012 HSBC named Aberdeen as a leading business hub and one of eight "super cities" spearheading the United Kingdom's economy, the only city in Scotland to receive this accolade.

For more information, contact International Education, ACC 224, or sengel@mvcc.edu or 792.5450.



Honoring Employees for Years of Service



Along with Norma Chrisman's normal role as Educational Technology Specialist, she is a very active participant on the MVCC's campuses. Honored this past week for 10 years of service, Norma has been recognized on a local and state levels for her work.

She is the recipient of the 2011 MVCC Award for Excellence in Professional Service, 2012 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service, 2010 Pride of the Hawk award, member of the 2010 MVCC Wings of the Hawk award – Educational Technologies, and NYSUT Utica Regional Office and Professional Association Outstanding Service Award.

She has been a member of the College Senate since 2008 serving on the Advisory Board and Vice Chair. Her committee work includes the ADA Compliance, Annual Review Design Team, Continuing Appointments where she serves as chairperson, Diversity and Global View, Educational Technology Advisory Board, Employee Enrichment Committee, Graduation Marshall, Promotions Committee and Teaching and Learning Advisory Committee.

She is very active on screening committees, helping to hire the best professionals.

Kiddie Campus Halloween Trek



Did you hear Jed & Kelly had twins?

The MVCC family has grown by two this week as Jed and Kelly Kimball celebrate the birth of twins.

Abram James weighed in at five pounds, twelve and a quarter ounces while Violet Ashby was just ahead at five pounds, twelve and three-quarter ounces. Violet Ashby was also the longer of the two at 19 ½ inches while Abram James was 19 inches.

Kelly and children are doing well while Jed prepares for sleepless nights.





MVCC students listen to what the candidates had to say

Students in the College's Public Policy program hosted a "Meet the Candidates" event on Thursday, Oct. 25, in the MV Commons

The forum was meant to encourage young adults to participate in the electoral process by allowing them the opportunity to hear directly from the candidates about the offices they are seeking and where they stand on issues. MVCC's Public Policy students provided basic job description of the candidates, who then were introduced and given a limited time to talk about their qualifications.

Political officials in attendance included:

- Congressional Candidate Dan Lamb, who is contesting

- Richard Hanna for the 22nd Congressional District seat
- NYS Senator Joseph A. Griffo, 47th Senate District
- NYS Senator David J. Valesky, 49th Senate District
- NYS Assemblyman Anthony Brindisi, 116th Assembly District
- NYS Assemblyman William Magee, 121st Assembly District
- Assembly candidate Levi Spires, who is contesting Magee for the 121st Assembly District seat
- NYS Assemblywoman Claudia Tenney, 115th Assembly District
- NYS Assemblyman Marc Butler, 117th Assembly District



Medical Assistant students get real-world experience

On Saturday September 22, 2012, the MVCC Medical Assistant students along with Jamie Cuda, Coordinator Allied Health, and Maryanne Taverne, Adjunct Instructor, participated in a health fair at North Star Orchards in Westmoreland.

The health fair was organized by the Central Oneida County Volunteer Ambulance Corps (COCVAC). There were many local organizations and vendors eager to share their information, free samples, and health screening. Some of the participants included the Oneida Herkimer County 911, NYS Troopers, Faxton St. Luke's Healthcare, and the Bassett mobile mammography van.

MVCC's Medical Assistant team was responsible for educating and demonstrating correct hand washing techniques, the effects of alcohol on the body, and blood pressure screening. Throughout the day community members of all ages participated in our teaching projects. Participants expressed gratitude and enjoyment of the educational experience.

Information on College Nursing, Respiratory Care, and Allied Health programs along with College catalogs were distributed to those who expressed interest. The medical assistant students are looking forward to participating in upcoming community health fair events.

New Faces @ MVCC

Lisa Chamberlin joins the MVCC community as the College's newest Health Services Retention Specialist.

This Oriskany resident is responsible for developing, implementing and evaluating strategies to improve student retention in Nursing, Respiratory Care and Allied Health Programs.

She holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Syracuse University and an RN from St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing.



Women's soccer heads to nationals at TC3

The Women's Soccer team captured the Region III B Championship with a 2-1 victory over Finger Lakes CC. Vanessa Jecko made 10 saves in goal and Brooke Pominville and Samantha Getman each tallied a goal for the Hawks (18-1-1). MVCC advances to the national championships which will be played at Tompkins-Cortland CC, November 8-11. Getman was named as the Tournament MVP as well as the All-Region III First Team. Joining her on the All-Region squad are Megan Carlo, Nicole Burline and Brittany McGraw-Wixson.

The Women's Cross Country team finished in a tie for first place at the Region III championships. The Hawks will compete at the NJCAA National Championships at SUNY Delhi on November 10. Sara Rifendifer and Chelsea Huyck qualified for the All-Region Team.

The Men's Cross Country team finished in second place at the Region III championships. Tom Arcuri continued his unbeaten streak against junior college competitors and was the individual Region III champion. Robert Dunham was the second place finisher. MVCC will compete next at the NJCAA National Championships on November 10 at SUNY Delhi.

The Men's Soccer team finished their season with a 2-0 loss in the Region III playoffs. The Hawks ended the season with a final overall record of 12-8.

The Ice Hockey team began the 2012-13 season with three losses under the direction of first year Head Coach Dan Maycock. Maycock is a former MVCC two-sport standout athlete and a native of Utica.

The Men's and Women's Basketball teams will begin the 2012-13 season tonight at MVCC in the Anthony Torchia Memorial Tournament. The Tournament begins Nov. 2 at 6 p.m.

Men's Basketball Home Schedule

November 2 - Hawks host Torchia Classic	6:00/8:00
November 3 - Hawks host Torchia Classic	Noon/2:00
November 18 - Hawks host North Country CC	3:00
November 20 - Hawks host Fulton Montgomery CC	8:00
November 29 - Hawks host Columbia-Greene CC	7:00
December 6 - Hawks host Hudson Valley CC	8:00
December 8 - Hawks host Tompkins Cortland CC	3:00
January 16 - Hawks host SUNY Delhi	6:00
February 9 - Hawks host Clinton CC	4:00
February 12 - Hawks host Herkimer CCC	7:00
February 17 - Hawks host Corning CC	2:00
February 19 - Hawks host Adirondack CC	7:00
February 21 - Hawks host Schenectady CCC	7:00

Women's Basketball Home Schedule

November 3 - Hawks host Torchia Classic	5:00/7:00
November 4 - Hawks host Torchia Classic	Noon/2:00
November 18 - Hawks host North Country CC	1:00
November 20 - Hawks host Fulton-Montgomery CC	6:00
November 28 - Hawks host Onondaga CC	7:00
December 6 - Hawks host Hudson Valley CC	6:00
December 8 - Hawks host Tompkins-Cortland CC	1:00
January 16 - Hawks host SUNY Delhi	4:00
January 19 - Hawks host Adirondack CC	1:00
February 9 - Hawks host Clinton CC	2:00
February 14 - Hawks host Herkimer CCC	7:00
February 17 - Corning CC	Noon
February 21 - Schenectady CCC	5:00

Athlete of the Week

The women's soccer team is returning to the NJCAA national tournament due in part to the performance of Samantha Getman. She played a vital role in the Hawks winning the Region III-B championship crown last week and has been selected as MVCC's Athlete of the Week of the weekend ending October 28.



Getman

Getman scored two goals in the Hawks' victory over Erie Community College in the semi-final game and then went on to score twice along with an assist on another goal to carry MVCC past Finger Lakes Community College in the championship game.

Getman, who is a sophomore midfielder, was named the Region III Tournament MVP. She has 25 goals and 11 assists on the season.

She is pursuing an Associate degree in General Studies and is a graduate of Whitesboro High School.



Ramic

After falling behind early in the NJCAA Region III playoff game, Admir Ramic rallied the men's soccer team to a 5-2 victory over Jamestown Community College. For his performance, Ramic was named MVCC Athlete of the Week for the week of October 21.

Ramic scored two goals in the Hawks' victory of this Region III quarterfinal playoff game. It included the game-winning goal.

Ramic is a sophomore Financial Services Management major.

Ice Hockey Home Schedule

October 27 - Hawks host CC of Morris	4:00
October 28 - Hawks host CC of Morris	1:00
October 30 - Hawks host Monroe CC	7:00
November 6 - Hawks host Hudson Valley CC	7:00
January 16 - Hawks host Broome CC	7:00
January 26 - Hawks host Monroe CC	4:00

NOTE: All home hockey games are played at the Utica Aud.