Over the summer and during the beginning of the fall semester, the librarians at MVCC were busy introducing a new service which is part of the green campus initiative and will benefit faculty, staff, and students, including distance learners.

LibGuides are designed to be a one-stop shopping place for student research. LibGuides are wikis to which librarians have accounts, so that they can work on them from any computer. They use a Word-based text editor, with no need to know HTML or a program like Dreamweaver or FrontPage.

This allows new information to be added in a timely fashion and updates and new guides to be added quickly. They are flexible enough to allow links to PowerPoint presentations, streaming videos, slide shows, podcasts, and other media to be added.

Our LibGuides contain links to web sites, subject-appropriate journal databases, the Libraries’ online catalog, the new interlibrary loan service, and our online reference services (Meebo and Ask Us 24/7).

They also include lists of reference and other books, audiovisual materials when appropriate, call numbers for browsing in the stacks, suggested subject headings that can be copied and pasted into search boxes, citation help, related guides, and other resources. In addition, an instructor with an assignment requiring library research can request that his or her assignment or web page be posted on the appropriate LibGuide on a “Course pages” tab. Students who have used our LibGuides say the information is intuitively arranged and easy to use.

To access them, go to the Libraries’ home page: www.mvcc.edu/academics/library/ Under “Find Research Tools” click on Subject Guides. Or go directly to: http://mvcc.libguides.com/ Once there you will see a center box labeled “Browse by Subject.”

The guides in this category take the place of what used to be our Quick Reference Guides. In a box on the right-hand side of the screen, labeled “How to… Guides,” you will find all our instructional handouts, including some from our Web Wednesday presentations.

In the boxes on the left-hand side of the screen, you will find handouts on writing and citations, and a link to our many subject bibliographies and webbibliographies. Not sure which box to look in? Use the search box to do a keyword search for a particular LibGuide, or browse all the LibGuides (currently 143!). Of particular interest to faculty is the Education (College) LibGuide, which contains books and web sites on “Hot Topics in College Education.”

Education (College): http://mvcc.libguides.com/content.php?pid=63219

The LibGuides are not housed on the college’s server, so if the MVCC Libraries web site is unavailable, users can still access the Libraries’ resources by going directly to the MVCC LibGuides home page at http://mvcc.libguides.com/

Many SUNY colleges are switching to LibGuides. To browse the list of subscribing libraries, go to: http://libguides.com/community.php?m=i&ref=community.libguides.com. It’s the ultimate resource sharing between libraries!

We’re excited about them. Check them out and tell your students and colleagues today! If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please feel free to contact Steve Frisbee at 792-5399 or email him at sfrisbee@mvcc.edu.

New and improved at the libraries: LibGuides

Orientation leader information sessions

All faculty and staff are encouraged to identify students who would be great in this role and invite them to attend one of these sessions to learn more about this paid leadership position. Here are the dates:

Utica
- Monday, December 7, at 11 a.m. in IT218
- Monday, December 7, at 5 p.m. in IT218
- Tuesday, December 8, at 10 a.m. in IT218
- Tuesday, December 8, at 3:30 p.m. in IT218
- Wednesday, December 9, at 2 p.m. in IT218

Rome
- Tuesday, December 8, at 10 a.m. in Library
- Tuesday, December 8, at 5 p.m. in Library

For more information, contact Lizabeth N. Doherty, College Advisor - First Year Experience, at 731-5813.

GIVING LIFE - Christina Sindone, of the American Red Cross, prepares MVCC student Patrick Sickels for the double red machine. The blood drive was sponsored by the MVCC Alumni Association. The holiday blood drive reached its goal of 114 units. The Red Cross organizers commented that MVCC is one of only two area colleges where the students come out in mass to donate.
The College continued to honor its employees who have given so much of themselves to the institution and the students over the years.

This week’s honorees for 10 years of service are Julies Dewan, Center for Language and Learning Design; Thomas Mihevc, Engineering, Computer and Physical Sciences; Jeffrey Birt, Engineering Tech and Trades; Alan Chace, Engineering Tech and Trades; Mary Hartz, Mathematics; and William Judycki, Engineering Tech and Trades.

For 15 years there were George Zook, Marketing and Communications; and Gabriel Melendez, Mathematics; while 20 years was marked by Robert Bernstein, Mathematics. Mario Restive, Engineering Tech and Trades, was honored for 30 years while Frank Przybycien, Community Restoration Initiative; and Donald Willner, Center for Math, Engineer, PS and Applied Technology, marked 40 years.
A reception was held for all the College employees who received promotions for this year. Beverly Quist and President Van Wagoner honored each attendee. Those in attendance along with their new titles are:

- Rosemary Fuoco, Assistant Professor
- Kyle Lince, Assistant Professor
- Mike Sorrentino, Assistant Professor
- Justin Wilcox, Assistant Professor
- Bryan Alguire, Associate Professor
- Dave Katz, Associate Professor
- Mildred Treis, Associate Professor
- Bob Decker, Professor
- Chuck Svoboda, Professor
- Rose Button, Assistant Dean – Counseling
- Rosemary Spetka, Director – Records & Registration
- Jennifer DeWeerth, Director – Student Service Center
- Mike Donaruma, Senior Financial Analyst
- Paul Halko, Technical Assistant – Engineering Tech & Trades
- Kate Barefoot, Assistant Registrar
- Mike McHarris, Assistant Director – Facilities & Operations
- Janet Visalli, Assistant Director – Adult Learner Services
- Randy Webster, Technical Assistant – Engineering, Computer & Physical Sciences
- Barbara Wilson, Technical Assistant – Engineering, Computer & Physical Sciences

**MVCC EVENTS**

**Monday, December 7**
- 11 am - International Club: Candy Sale, AB Lobby
- 12 pm - Richie Holliday, Comedian, MV Commons
- 12:30 pm - Caregivers Home Care, IT 225
- 3:30 pm - Chess Club: Informal Games - ACC 114
- 5:30 pm - CCED: Tai Chi - ACC 116

**Tuesday, December 8**
- 3 pm - Gay/Straight Alliance, ACC 114
- 3:30 pm - Habitat for Humanity, ACC 212
- 5:30 pm - Relay for Life Meeting, IT 225
- 6 pm - Women’s Basketball vs. Jefferson CC, Gym
- 7 - 9 pm - Night Hawk Café, MV Commons
- 8 pm - Men’s Basketball vs. Jefferson CC, Gym
- 10 pm - Late Night Breakfast, MV Commons

**Wednesday, December 9**
- Drawing for Escoffier Club Raffle Today
- 11 am - International Club: Candy Sale, AB Lobby
- 12 pm - Brown Bag Series: “Pro-Study/Anti-Stress Day,” ACC 116

**Thursday, December 10**
- 8 am - W.I.C., ACC 116
- 10 am - U.S. Air Force Representative, AB Lobby
- 1 pm - Asian Club, ACC 212
- 2 pm - SUNY Canton Dental Hygiene Presentations, PC Atrium
- 3 pm - C-STEP: dinner, IT 225
- 6 pm - Strategic Gaming Club, ACC 212

**Friday, December 11**
- 3 pm - Gay/Straight Alliance, ACC 114

**Saturday, December 12**
- 8 am - MVCAA: Drinking Driver Program Class, RA 306
- 9 am - Defensive Driving Course, PC 205
In an effort to create interest in helping others, the College’s Foundation launched a combined annual appeal for both the MVCC Foundation and the United Way. This was the first time the College held both fund-raising events simultaneously.

“The generosity shown by the college community will allow the MVCC Foundation and the United Way to continue to help individuals in our community realize their goals,” said Deanna Ferro, Events Coordinator for the Institutional Advancement Office.

The United Way Campaign officially concludes this today, Friday, December 4, and contributions are still being accepted. To make a contribution, send or deliver the pledge card to the Institutional Advancement Office, rooms 366 or 378 of Payne Hall.

To contribute to the MVCC Foundation, donations will be accepted through the next couple weeks.

Listed are the preliminary totals both campaigns:

- United Way: 111 Donors for $13,700
- MVCC Foundation: 130 Donors for $27,405

* This exceeded Team MVCC’s goal by 37 percent.

*The MVCC Foundation Campaign will continue through the next couple weeks as the Foundation Board and the MVCC Board of Trustees help the Foundation achieve their goal of $30,000.

Money raised by the MVCC Foundation is used for scholarship investment while making a positive difference for the College community.

Richardson to play for St John’s University

MVCCC senior Kyle Richardson signed a letter of intent to attend St John’s University next year where he will play Division I baseball under a full scholarship. Seated at the table are: Coach Dan Morgan, Keith Richardson, Kyle Richardson, Donna Sergio (his mother) and Coach John Fureno. Head baseball coach Dave Warren is standing.

Binghamton University and Division III’s Ithaca College also were in the running.

Richardson is carrying a 4.0 cumulative grade-point average as a sports medicine student at MVCC, and he plans to study biology with a pre-med focus at St. John’s.

“I think (St. John’s) liked the total package,” said Dave Warren, MVCC baseball coach. “Kyle’s just a class act. He’s a great student and a phenomenal athlete. He’s the best all-around player I’ve ever coached; you’re lucky to get a Kyle Richardson once in a lifetime.”

“He’s very special, and not just as a baseball player. I’m proud of him, of everything he’s done and everything he’s going to do. This was his dream, to play Division I baseball, and I think he will have a shot at getting drafted some day. He’ll be playing in a premier program, and with his athleticism and speed and character, I’d be surprised if he didn’t play some kind of professional baseball somewhere.”

After his final season at MVCC, Richardson will play for Little Falls in the New York Collegiate Baseball League.