MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

POINTS OF PRIDE

2012/2013 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



I officially became the fifth president of Monroe County Community College on August 1. But I began learning quite a bit about MCCC in the spring during the presidential search to replace Dr. David Nixon, who announced that he would retire July 31 after leading the college for 10 years.

I had the great honor of spending most of the month of July with Dr. Nixon, who graciously introduced me to the campus and community during my "orientation" period as president-elect.

The time I spent with Dr. Nixon was invaluable because his great knowledge of institutional history helped to facilitate a seamless transition, and it was during this period and soon after that I got a sense for what I termed MCCC's many "Points of Pride." For example, I learned that:

- MCCC is ranked second for student success out of 60 community colleges in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, according to CNNMoney.
- MCCC has one of the newest Career Technology Centers in the nation.
- Our graduation rate last year in the culinary skills and management program was 100 percent.
- MCCC offers courses in more than 400 subjects.
- Since the college opened nearly 50 years ago, it has granted more than 15,000 associate degrees.
- Our nursing and respiratory therapy students far exceed national benchmarks for licensure exam pass rates.

- MCCC is one of only two institutions in the state to offer two federal Upward Bound programs at local high schools that serve low-income and first-generation students.
- The cost of MCCC is less than half of the national average for two-year colleges in the U.S., according to the Department of Education.
- MCCC offers approximately a half a million dollars in scholarships annually.
- We have more than 50,000 materials in our library collection.
- MCCC has transfer articulation agreements with 15 universities.

I talk about these examples wherever I go – in meetings with faculty and staff, visits to classrooms, appointments with community members, at the local grocery store; you name the place or forum, and I am listing off MCCC's "Points of Pride."

I invite you to turn the page and learn more about Monroe County Community College and our accomplishments in the past year – accomplishments that have added to the evergrowing list of "Points of Pride" that serve to enrich the lives of people in Monroe County and beyond.

Kojo A. Quartey, Ph.D.

President

COMMON FOCUS, COMMON COMMITMENT

Monroe County Community College and area businesses, political representatives and residents have a common focus on positive student outcomes and community enrichment. Last year, that was exemplified by numerous milestones, partnerships, programs and events. Among the most noteworthy were the growing partnerships that made the completion of the Career Technology Center a reality.

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED ON \$17 MILLION CAREER TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Construction was completed on the Career Technology
Center in time for students to begin taking classes in the
building on the first day of Fall Semester 2013. The \$17 million,
60,000-square-foot facility provides infrastructure to support
state-of-the-art classrooms and lab space required to deliver
instruction and skills necessary to secure high-growth,
high-demand and high-paying jobs.

It allows for the updating and expansion of existing programs previously housed in the East and West Technology buildings,

which had become inadequate to meet modern technology needs. These include program areas such as nuclear engineering, welding, construction, computer-aided drafting and manufacturing, electronics, mechanical engineering and automation, quality assurance, and automotive engineering and service with an emphasis on hybrid and battery technology.

A combination of sustainable systems was integrated into the design of the facility. These systems are being incorporated into the curriculum. The building serves as a learning laboratory for students in applied science and engineering technology fields.

'REALIZING THE VISION' TO POWER THE WORKFORCE OF TOMORROW

The state of Michigan financed half the cost of construction of the Career Technology Center. The college has funded the other half through existing funds and a capital campaign – "Realizing the Vision: Powering the Workforce of Tomorrow" – in support of the facility.

In March, the DTE Energy Foundation made a \$1 million gift to the Career Technology Center capital campaign and to also promote diversity at the college. Other major gifts have included \$500,000 from the La-Z-Boy Foundation, \$150,000 from Baker's Gas, \$75,000 from Michigan Gas Utilities and the Wisconsin Public Service Foundation, and \$50,000 from Monroe Bank & Trust. In addition, more than \$200,000 was raised through an internal fundraising campaign. The Foundation at MCCC is still accepting donations to support the Career Technology Center.





"Monroe County Community College and DTE Energy have a long-standing, close relationship that has greatly benefited the citizens of Monroe County. We are pleased to join MCCC as a key partner in this facility, which will play such a vital role in the future of our citizens, our students, our businesses and industries, and our community at large."

RON MAY DTE Energy Senior Vice President, Major Enterprise Projects

"Both the diversity initiative and the Career Technology Center will accomplish several objectives that are inherent in our mission – to fully prepare a cross section of students for meaningful employment, partner strategically with business and industry, and to advance the economic prosperity of Monroe County."

WILLIAM J. BACARELLA, JR. Chair, MCCC Board of Trustees

DTE ENERGY'S DOWLER NAMED ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

Lynette Dowler, plant director at DTE Energy, was named the 2012 Alumnus of the Year by the MCCC Board of Trustees. Dowler graduated from MCCC in 1983 and went on to earn a bachelor of science degree from the University of Toledo in 1986 and a master of science degree from UT in 1997. She has been employed by DTE Energy for 30 years.

Dowler is a champion for diversity in the workplace, earning the respect of her co-workers while serving as past co-chair on the Women's Leadership Forum and as current Safety Champion for Fossil Generation. She serves on The Foundation at Monroe County Community College Board of Directors and has been very active in the Career Technology Center capital campaign, playing a key role in securing a \$1 million grant in support of the project from the DTE Energy Foundation.

FIVE CURRENT AND FORMER LEGISLATORS NAMED COLLEGE SUPPORTERS OF THE YEAR

The MCCC Board of Trustees recognized five current and former legislators – State Sen. Randy Richardville and State Rep. Dale Zorn and former State Reps. Kathy Angerer, Rick Olson and the late Kate Ebli – with the MCCC College Supporter of the Year award for their past support and continuing commitment to MCCC.

According to a resolution by the Board, the legislators spearheaded the effort to include language pertaining to the planning for the Career Technology Center at MCCC in Public Act 270 of 2008. They went above the call of duty to usher through both chambers of the legislature and into law the authorization of funding for \$8.5 million, fully half the \$17 million cost of construction. This made possible the leveraging of additional public and private funds for the construction of a facility that will dramatically improve the skills of Monroe County's workforce for decades to come.

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WHITMAN CENTER HOSTS FULL SLATE OF PROGRAMS FOR THE BEDFORD COMMUNITY

Throughout the academic year, MCCC's Whitman Center in Temperance hosted a wide variety of programs for the Bedford community, including:

- Panel presentation by local individuals who provided volunteer assistance after 9-11, as well as an exhibit on the historical significance of the tragedy
- Black History Month Movie Night
- MCCC Art Faculty Exhibit, "Wall Pieces," featuring the work of Gary Wilson, Ted Vassar and Dan Stewart
- Information session on the University of Toledo's accelerated bachelor's degree in professional studies
- Dual Enrollment Night
- Presentation by artist/illustrator Mark Crilley
- One Book, One Community of Monroe County Book Discussion
- "Michigan and the Temperance Movement," a presentation by Assistant Professor of History Edmund La Clair
- Transfer Fair
- Information session on the Career Technology Center
- American Red Cross Blood Drive

AN ECLECTIC LINEUP OF EVENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY

In 2012-13, MCCC hosted a diverse lineup of comedic, musical and theatrical performances, as well as cultural and community events, including comedian Tim Wilson, Brass Transit: A Tribute to Chicago, Agora Chorale and College/Community Symphony Band concerts, The Diamonds, Kathy Mattea, Los Lobos, 26th Anniversary Black History Month Blues Series Concert, the Tartan Terrors, Antiques in April, a performance by the college's Inside Out Dance Studio and "Suessical."

MORE THAN 300 JOB SEEKERS ATTEND CAREER EXPO

MCCC hosted the third-annual Career and Opportunity Expo in April in the Gerald Welch Health Education Building. It was attended by more than 300 job seekers and featured more than 90 exhibitors/employers. The expo brought together students, MCCC alumni, colleges and universities, employers and community members, with an emphasis on returning service members. It was hosted by MCCC in partnership with Siena Heights University, Eastern Michigan University, Michigan Institute of Aviation and Technology, the Monroe County Employment and Training Department — Michigan Works!, South Central Michigan Works!, and Pure Michigan Veterans Services Division.





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STONECO DONATES 8,500-POUND SPIRIT ROCK TO MCCC

For nearly a year, members of MCCC Student Government worked toward getting a spirit rock for the MCCC campus. In fall 2012, their dedication paid off when an 8,500-pound limestone rock was placed on the south side of campus near the entrance on Raisinville Road. The rock was donated by Stoneco and came from the company's Ottawa Lake Quarry. Al Barron, chairman of the MCCC Alumni Association Board of Directors, had reached out to the supplier of crushed limestone, sand and gravel to acquire the spirit rock on behalf of Student Government.

A NIGHT OF FAMILY FUN



In April, Student Government hosted Family Fun Night in the Gerald Welch Health Education Building. More than 700 children and adults attended this event, which is open to all members of the community and provides an inexpensive family night out. There were various carnival-type games, prizes, refreshments,

a magician, face painting, family photos and more. The Foundation at Monroe County Community College and Siena Heights University were contributing sponsors.

LINKING COMMUNITY MEMBERS THROUGH READING



One Book, One Community of Monroe County featured a full slate of about 30 events around the county that ran throughout March and early April. The featured novel was "One Amazing Thing" by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni. Modeled after a program developed by the American Library Association and coordinated

by humanities faculty Cheryl Johnston and Dr. Carrie Nartker, One Book, One Community promotes the value of reading by recommending a compelling book that links community members in a common conversation through readings, group discussions, programs and other events. Founding partners are Monroe County Community College, The Foundation at MCCC, the Monroe County Library System and the Monroe Publishing Company – Monroe Evening News. Major sponsors included the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan, Education Plus Credit Union, Books-A-Million, Eastern Michigan University and Siena Heights University.

PRACTICAL, PERSONAL AND RESPONSIVE







At MCCC, our faculty and staff are invested in students' lives and focused on creating positive outcomes. We strive to develop close working relationships with students and encourage them to reach their potential. Faculty members have extensive experience both in and out of the classroom. All of this allows MCCC to provide real opportunities for hands-on instruction and individual mentorship while remaining flexible and responsive to meet the changing needs of our students and the community.

INNOVATIVE PROJECTS THAT ENHANCE THE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE OF STUDENTS

The Foundation at MCCC's Enhancement Grants Program provided funding for the development and implementation of innovative learning projects that support the MCCC mission and enrich or improve the quality of education for students. The funded grant projects for 2013 and their recipients included:

- MCCC Family Fun Night, applicant Tom Ryder, campus community events/student services coordinator
- Tour of the Charles Wright Museum, applicant Shelley Griffith, adjunct instructor in the Humanities/Social Sciences Division
- The Humanities Experience (Live Theater), applicants Cheryl Johnston, assistant professor of reading and English, and Dr. William McCloskey, professor of English
- One Book, One Community of Monroe County, applicants Cheryl Johnston, assistant professor of reading and English, and Dr. Carrie Nartker, associate professor of English
- National College Media Spring Convention, applicant Dan Shaw, assistant professor of humanities and journalism



- Study Abroad (Spain and Portugal), applicant Dan Shaw, assistant professor of humanities and journalism
- Michigan Society for Respiratory Care's Annual Sputum Bowl Trivia Contest, applicant Bonnie Boggs, director of respiratory therapy
- Career and Opportunity Expo, applicant Barry Kinsey, director of workforce development
- Diversity Mural, applicant Penny Bodell, administrative assistant to the vice president of student and information services, and Molly McCutchan, director of human resources
- International Relations Class Trip to New York City, the United Nations and Ground Zero Memorial, applicant Dr. Joanna Sabo, professor of political science
- MCCC Viticulture and Enology Project, applicant Chef Kevin Thomas, instructor of culinary skills
- Holocaust Project (Visit to the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills), applicant Dr. Terri Kovach, professor and reference/technical services librarian

- Southeast Michigan and Greater Toledo SolidWorks User Group, applicant Dr. Dean Kerste, professor of mechanical design technology
- National Student Day, applicant Kelli Plumb, administrative assistant to the director of auxiliary services and purchasing
- The Juxtaposition of Ecological Conservation and the Chicago Urban Environment, applicant Lori Bean, associate professor of biology and chemistry
- Student Chapter of Society of Manufacturing Engineers Sumo Robotics Project, applicant Robert Leonard, assistant professor of manufacturing technology
- MCCC Prelude (Children's Chorus), applicant Catherine Brodie, Agora Chorale director



STUDENTS, FACULTY MAKE SPAIN AND PORTUGAL THEIR CLASSROOM

The fountains of Madrid, the cathedrals of Barcelona and the palaces of Cordoba were some of the highlights of a trip to Spain in May by students and faculty involved in the MCCC Study Abroad Program. The trip included two days in Lisbon and Evora, Portugal, followed by eight days swinging through Cordoba, Granada, Seville, Toledo and Madrid, Spain. The last eight days were spent in Barcelona.

Dan Shaw, assistant professor of humanities and journalism, coordinated the excursion and taught Photojournalism in conjunction with the trip. Joining him were Professor of Political Science Joanna Sabo, who taught Comparative Politics, and Associate Professor of Art Gary Wilson, who taught Art Appreciation.

DEPT. OF LABOR'S REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTED AT MCCC

In February, Russell Davis, state director of the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship, visited MCCC to provide an overview of the Department of Labor's Registered Apprenticeship System. The session was for employers, prospective and current apprentices, parents, educators, workforce development officials, elected officials and veterans agency representatives. The Registered Apprenticeship System has been utilized to meet the needs of America's skilled workforce for more than 75 years.

MCCC NAMED 'MILITARY FRIENDLY'

Last year, MCCC was named to the 2013 Military Friendly Schools list that honors the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools in the country that are doing the most to embrace America's military service members, veterans and spouses as students and ensure their success on campus. The list is compiled by Victory Media, the premier media entity for military personnel transitioning into civilian life.

KERSTE: THE ONLY CERTIFIED EXPERT SOLIDWORKS EDUCATOR IN MICHIGAN



Dr. Dean Kerste, professor of mechanical design technology, last year became a Certified SolidWorks Expert – the highest level of proficiency in using the software. He is the only educator in Michigan who holds that certification. He presented a case study at the SolidWorks World 2013 Conference on how MCCC

addressed the needs of area employers by developing classes that prepare students for the Certified SolidWorks Associate and Certified SolidWorks Professional exams. In addition, he outlined how those certifications meet the Carl D. Perkins Core Indicators of Performance.

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MCCC INKS TRANSFER AGREEMENTS WITH EMU AND MTU

In December, MCCC signed a "reverse" transfer agreement with Eastern Michigan University. For a variety of reasons, many community college students transfer to a four-year university before completing an associate degree. With this partnership, students who transfer to EMU early are able to use the credits they are using toward a bachelor's degree at EMU to complete an MCCC associate degree.

In January, MCCC signed a transfer articulation agreement with EMU that enables students to transfer up to 74 credits from MCCC's information assurance and security program toward the bachelor of science degree program in information assurance at EMU. In addition, MCCC signed a "2+2" agreement with Michigan Technological University that allows students earning an associate degree in mechanical engineering technology at MCCC to complete the first two years of an MTU bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering technology while at MCCC.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AUTHORS TEXTBOOK, STUDENT DESIGNS COVER

Chuck Kelly, associate professor of computer information systems, authored a textbook on programming techniques for two-dimensional computer games. The 438-page book, "Programming 2D Games," was published last year by A K Peters, Ltd./CRC Press. The cover artwork was designed by MCCC student Nicholas Wilson, who took on the project at the suggestion of his Photoshop instructor, CheriLea Morton. Morton teaches as an adjunct professor in the college's Business Division.

4-YEAR CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEGREE FROM SHU AVAILABLE AT MCCC

Students at MCCC can now earn a bachelor of arts degree in criminal justice from Siena Heights University right on the MCCC campus. At a news conference in May, MCCC and SHU officials announced the launch of the new program offered through the SHU Degree Completion Center, which is located in MCCC's Life Sciences Building. Danielle "Elly" Teunion-Smith, director of the criminal justice program at SHU, and Penny Dunn, assistant professor of criminal justice at MCCC, developed the curriculum for the program.



LIBRARY RECEIVES 'BRIDGING CULTURES BOOKSHELF: MUSLIM JOURNEYS' FROM NEH

The MCCC Library was one of 842 libraries and state humanities councils nationwide selected last year to receive the "Bridging Cultures Bookshelf: Muslim Journeys," a project of the National Endowment for the Humanities' Bridging Cultures initiative. The collection included 25 books and three films, and the Library also received materials such as bookmarks, bookplates and posters for promotional purposes. The Muslim Journeys Bookshelf was incorporated into the One Book, One Community of Monroe County campaign, of which MCCC is a founding partner.

HEAD OF AMERICAN WELDING SOCIETY ADDRESSES MCCC STUDENTS

William A. Rice, president and chairman of the board of the American Welding Society, addressed MCCC welding students and community members in fall 2012 about AWS's continued commitment to welding education. AWS was founded in 1919 as a multifaceted, nonprofit organization with a mission to advance the science, technology and application of welding and allied joining and cutting processes, including brazing, soldering and thermal spraying.

MCCC AWARDED \$2.5 MILLION IN FEDERAL GRANTS TO ASSIST AT-RISK STUDENTS

MCCC received notification in fall 2012 from the Department of Education that it was awarded two federal Upward Bound Program grants totaling \$2.5 million over five years to provide fundamental support to at-risk students from Monroe High School and Airport High School in their preparation for college entrance. The grant allocations to MCCC were \$1.25 million for each high school partnership.

AN AWARD-WINNING STUDENT NEWSPAPER

The MCCC student newspaper, The Agora, won first place in general excellence and for best website at the Michigan Community College Press Association Awards in April. Overall, Agora staff members won 15 awards – five of them first place.

DIVISION GETS NEW NAME

The Industrial Technology Division was renamed the Applied Science and Engineering Technology Division in the spring to reflect that it is delivering instruction necessary for students to develop the skill sets required by today's high-demand, high-skill jobs.

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Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013*



The Foundation at MCCC

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013

DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013	
We received contributions totaling	\$655,856
Investment gains of	\$229,957
Special event revenues of	\$69,611
We received in-kind contributions for administrative	4000 750
services from MCCC and other in-kind support of	\$200,752
Federal funds	\$0
Which resulted in total revenues of	\$1,156,176
We distributed to MCCC for scholarships	
and program funds	(\$276,482)
And had administrative and fund raising expenses of	(\$200,752)
And had other expenses of	(\$3,703)
Which resulted in total expenditures of	(\$480,937)
Resulting in a total net asset increase of	\$675,239
When combined with our net assets at June 30, 2012 of	\$4,338,461
Resulted in new net assets at June 30, 2013	\$5,013,700
The June 30, 2013 net assets are represented by	
Cash of	\$845,242
Investments of	\$3,257,738
Accounts and pledges receivable of	\$1,001,079
Our total assets as of June 30, 2013 were	\$5,104,059
Our total liabilities as of June 30, 2013 were	(\$90,359)
Our net assets, therefore, as of June 30, 2013 were	\$5,013,700

^{*}Not included in contributions is an additional intention to give by the DTE Energy Foundation of \$800,000 over four years.



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In May, the Board of Trustees unanimously selected *Dr. Kojo Quartey* as the fifth president in the nearly 50-year history of Monroe County Community College. Quartey most recently served as provost of the City Colleges of Chicago and dean of the College of Business at Davenport University. He replaced Dr. David Nixon, who retired after serving as president of MCCC for 10 years.

In January, Dr. James E. DeVries and Marjorie A. Kreps were sworn in as MCCC trustees. Both will serve six-year terms. The Board also elected officers. By a unanimous vote, William J. Bacarella, Jr. was elected chair, William H. Braunlich was elected vice chair and Linda S. Lauer was elected secretary. Each officer will serve for a two-year term. Suzanne M. Wetzel was named treasurer of the Board for a two-year term. Wetzel is the college's vice president of administration and executive director of The Foundation at MCCC.

In August 2012, *Dr. Paul Hedeen* was hired as dean of humanities/social sciences and *Kimberly Lindquist* was named dean of health sciences/ director of nursing. Prior to joining the administrative team at MCCC, Hedeen was a full-time faculty member and coordinator of interdisciplinary studies at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa. He holds three degrees in English. Lindquist was originally hired by MCCC in 2011 as a full-time member of the nursing faculty. Prior to that, she was employed for four years as a full-time, tenured faculty member at Henry Ford Community College where she taught Medical Surgical I and II courses, as well as Leadership/Management.

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