

The Martin Messenger

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Christmas comes Early to MCC!

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Over the past few weeks, MCC has been notified by two granting agencies that it will be receiving funds for very significant projects.

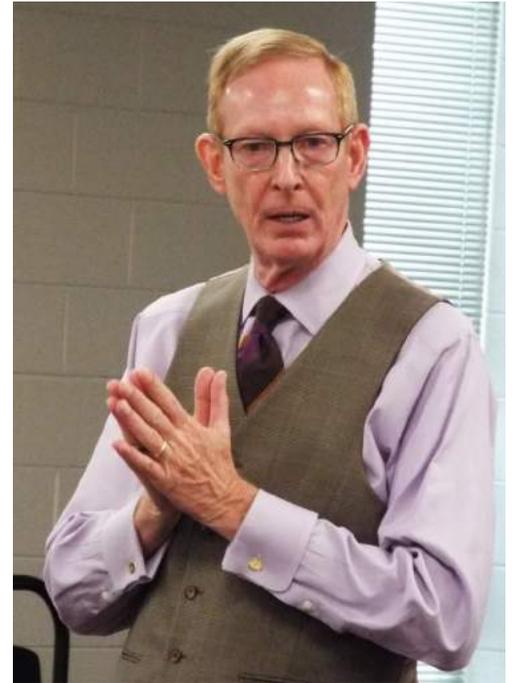
On November 17, the State Board of Community Colleges (SBCC) approved MCC for an NC Works Career Coach grant. The purpose of this program is to place community college career coaches in high schools in order to assist students with determining career goals and identifying community college programs that will enable them to achieve these goals.

This is a three-year grant with the first allocation of \$116,180 to fund three coaches for the remainder of FY 2017-18. Over the next two fiscal years, the allocation will increase to \$154,900 per year and cover four coaches in each of these years. MCC was one only three colleges to receive this grant in the current fiscal year and will be one of only eight colleges to receive it in the next two fiscal years.

On December 6, MCC was notified by the Cannon Foundation that it had been approved for \$125,000 grant for IT (Information Technology) Infrastructure improvements.

These funds will be applied toward MCC's Network Infrastructure/Self Service Project and the Ellucian Update (aka Datatel Upgrade) project. To date, MCC has already spent \$77,326 on improving its IT infrastructure to support Self Service. Purchases include; two servers, SAN for Storage, APC Smart UPS, Software (VM Ware), Virtual Infrastructure installation and Contracted Installation.

To complete the Self Serve project, MCC needs an additional



MCC's Interim President, Dr. Kenneth A. Boham, announces the good news about the NCWorks Career Coach grant at the Staff Assembly on November 21.

\$73,398. Thus, the grant funds will cover Core Switch Cables, Active Directory/LDAP Integration, Dovestones Password Reset Application, AD Integration with Blackboard and Office 365.

The remainder of the grant will be used for the Ellucian Update Project, for which, nothing has been purchased to date. The grant would pay for most of the following equipment; eight 2960X Switches, four Stack Modules, two 2960C 12 Port Switches, a Server and Backup and one APC Smart UPS.

Although many of us do not know what any of these things are, the IT Director, Elijah Freeman, is still smiling from ear to ear!



MCC Trustee Meeting Conducted on November 21

The MCC Board of Trustees conducted their monthly meeting on November 21. During the meeting a number of items were discussed. Among them were:

- ◆ Interim MCC President, Dr. Kenneth H. Boham, noted that MCC had just received notification of being selected for a grant to fund Transition Advisors through the end of fiscal Year 2017 and that it would also be available two additional years. (More about this grant is on the front page.)
- ◆ Bids for two electronic signs were reviewed by the Property Committee. Their recommendation was to accept the bid from Barnacle Construction based in Goldsboro, NC. The winning bid was \$157,000 under budget. The new electronic signs will replace the current signs at either end of Kehukhee Park Road. Connect NC bond funds will pay for this project. No completion date was given at the meeting.
- ◆ The Property Committee also recommended that MCC support the construction of a fire training facility for the Windsor Fire Department and Bertie County with a contribution of \$20,000 toward the purchase of Con Ex boxes (shipping containers), of which, the facility will be constructed. Once built, MCC will provide the fire and rescue training at the site. This was unanimously supported by the board.
- ◆ The training ring in front of the Equine Arena will be rebuilt and the old dilapidated shed beside the colt training area



Pictured above, from left to right, are MCC Trustees Tommy Bowen, Rick Cowan and Amanda Vick. Cowan is giving his report on the recommendations of the Property Committee, which he chairs.

- will be torn down. A modular classroom will be purchased and positioned near the arena. The new classrooms will not only accommodate the Equine Technology program but also the proposed Veterinarian Assistant program.
- ◆ MCC's new Master Facilities Plan for 2017-2022 was unanimously approved. The plan was developed by John Farkas of JKF Architecture. Farkas performed an extensive review and inspection of MCC's existing structures and met with numerous employees, county officials and Trustees to gather the information needed for the plan. It is now available in PDF format on MCC's Intranet page at <http://mccintranet/plans/>
- ◆ The Property Committee also recommended that the Trustees authorize Dr. Boham to dispose of the old Baptist Nursing Home property in Hamilton. The Trustees were in unanimous support of this.
- ◆ The MCC Foundation Audit was presented to the Trustees by the Budget and Finance Committee. Committee Chairman, Dwayne Baker, noted that there were no exceptions in the audit and recommended that the Trustees accept it, which they did unanimously.
- ◆ MCC has responded to its Financial Aid audit by the state. All corrective actions have been taken to the satisfaction of the Auditor's Office.
- ◆ In response to the Trustees' desire to show their appreciation to MCC employees for their hard work and commitment, Chairman of the Person-

nel Committee, Carroll Jones, reported that all full-time MCC employees will receive a non-recurring bonus of \$250 in December.

- ◆ Carroll Jones, who is also the Chairman of the Ad-Hoc Presidential Search Committee, reported that to date, 42 applications for the President's position had been received and that the Committee would begin meeting on November 27 to begin the process of selecting candidates for interviews.
- ◆ SGA President, Amanda Vick, reported that Fall Fest went very well and that plans for Spring Fling were already underway. Vick also noted that the SGA is selling candy bars as a fundraiser and displayed a box to the Trustees. Trustee Wilkins bought 20 bars on the spot.
- ◆ Dr. Boham reported that the

state has approved MCC's Public Safety Training Facility for NC Connect bond funding. Thus this facility will be paid for from MCC's \$6.5 million portion of the bond funds.

- ◆ Judy Jennette presented a concept for a school mascot to the Trustees. She noted that after a bit of research, she discovered that MCC's first mascot was a screaming eagle. However, after the addition of the equine program in the late 1980's, the College moved to a mustang image. For reasons unknown to anyone, the mustang mascot seemed to have been placed on a back burner and was never fully implemented. Tami Thurston, Director of MCC's Equine Technology program alerted Jennette to a sign in front of the colt training arena, which already

had a mascot image from years gone by. Jennette photographed the old sign and reworked the image into an electronic image. The Trustees approved the concept and cleared the way to further develop it.

- ◆ Maureen Green then gave the Trustees a presentation on MCC's progress on its current SACS COC reaffirmation process. The updated policy manual must be submitted to SACSCOC in February.
- ◆ The Trustees voted in a policy change for BLET admissions.
- ◆ Dr. Boham noted that he had recently spoken with a potential MCC student in Philadelphia, PA. The applicant wanted to know about housing in Martin County if they were to be accepted into the Physical Therapist Assistant program. Dr. Boham wanted to make everyone aware of how well-regarded MCC's programs are outside of Martin County.
- ◆ MCC's Small Business Center Director, Callie Northern Herring, reported that she had been distributing packets of materials to local shops to promote Small Business Saturday on November 25. (See more about this on page 15.)

MCC's newly revived mascot.



New electronic signs for MCC's entrances.

SGA Continues to work hard for students!



MCC's Student Government Association (SGA) has worked overtime during the fall semester.

On November 27, the SGA sponsored a Red Cross Blood Drive on campus. Despite starting an hour and a half late, due to technical difficulties, 15 pints of blood were collected. Pictured left is MCC student and US Army veteran Stephanie Powell. She knows from first hand experience how important the gift of blood is. While on active duty in Iraq, Powell manned door mounted machine guns in helicopters.



Pictured in the middle from left to right are; Robert West, Amanda Saunders, Amanda Vick and Jordyn Gray decorating the Christmas tree in the lobby of building 1.

The SGA has also been working diligently to get a campus food pantry up and running. Room 46, in Building 4, has been approved as the site for the pantry. It is located next to the Academic Skills Center.



Kanon Nixon, the SGA's new Advisor, is working with the officers to finalize a set of management guidelines (How are donations received? Who restocks and cleans the room? Who provides students access? Etc.). Those guidelines were received this week and are undergoing review. Once the recommendations have been reviewed and approved by the President's Council, the pantry should quickly become reality! Thanks to the MCC SGA for being so proactive!



BLET

Basic Law Enforcement Training

Classes start at MCC January 2, 2018

**Contact Wayland Mitchell
252-789-0267
wmitchell@martincc.edu**

Applications due by 12/15/17

SECU Scholarships may be available for students who qualify.

Warren moves to Academic Skills Center



Kathryn (Kinsey) Warren became MCC's new Academic Skills Coordinator on December 4. Warren first joined the MCC staff in July of this year as a Transition Advisor.

According to Dr. Deryl Davis-Fulmer, "Kinsey has demonstrated the skills and background knowledge needed to advance this Center for academic success."

Warren has a B.A. in Psychology and a B.A. in Exercise

and Sports Science from UNC-Chapel Hill. She has had experience in advising students, business operations management, budget/revenue/financial forecasting, advertising, marketing and public relations.

Dr. Davis-Fulmer adds, "Her experiences and background will help MCC to advance the academic skills area to better serve our students."

Amanda Saunders utilizing the Academic Skills Center.

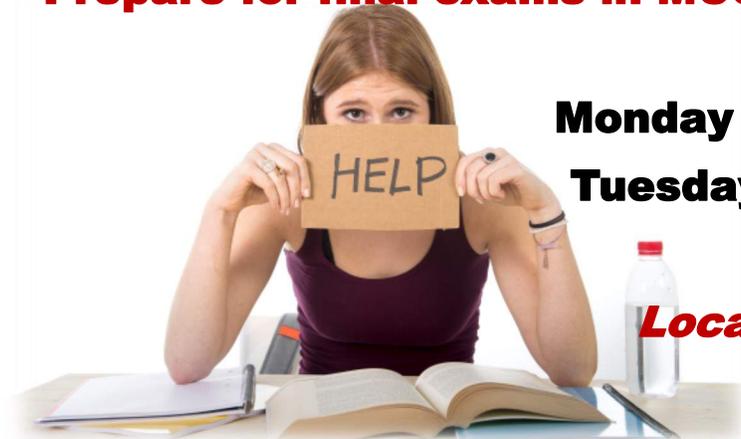


University Tour at MCC



On November 30, MCC hosted a University Tour in the lobby of Building 1 from 8:45 to 10:30 am. The four-year institutions represented included; Devry, Campbell, Fayetteville State, Western Carolina, UNCW, Johnson and Wales, ECU, NC Wesleyan, NC A&T, University of Mount Olive, Shaw University, Davis and Elkins, Chowan, and William Peace. Pictured above are three MCC students speaking with a recruiter from Campbell University. This event offers MCC students a great opportunity to see how their MCC credits can be transferred toward a 4-year degree and save them thousands of dollars!

Prepare for final exams in MCC's Academic Skills Center !



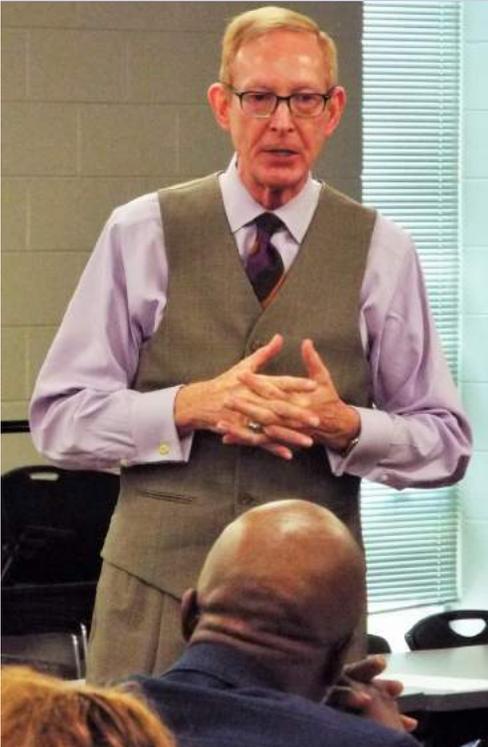
Monday and Wednesday 8:00a - 5:00p

Tuesday and Thursday 8:00a - 6:00p

Friday 8:00a - 3:00p

Located in room 41, building 4

Staff Assembly on 11/21



On Tuesday, November 21, MCC's staff held an assembly meeting to receive college updates from the College's interim president, Dr. Kenneth A. Boham, and to provide ideas and comments to MCC's upper administration. A similar meeting was held in October for the faculty. Both assemblies were well attended and elicited a number of good ideas for the College's leadership to consider. Among the issues to be immediately addressed:

- The use and abuse of MCC ALL has recently been addressed by the IT Department. A new portal for MCC employee information will soon be launched.
- The MCC Foundation's annual audit was recently completed and presented to the MCC Trustees. The Trustees voted unanimously to accept the report, which had no findings, on 11/21/17.
- Training, especially for new employees, will become a larger function of the HR Department.
- Expediency in reviewing and signing requisitions is improving.
- Uniforms for all of the housekeeping staff.
- Dr. Boham is working with the Trustees to include a salary study in next year's budget.

Lunch was provided at the meeting's conclusion.



REAL Crisis Intervention

REAL Crisis Intervention, Inc. is a non-profit agency offering free 24/7 counseling and an extensive referral service. REAL provides: Counseling, Information & Referral, Sexual Assault Services, Advocacy, Suicide Intervention/Prevention, Pitt Resource Connection, Dial-A-Teen, Community Resource Connection and Outreach/Education. They are located at 1011 Anderson Street, in Greenville NC. You may contact REAL in the following ways; by phone at 252-758-4357, by email at realcrisis@embarqmail.com or on the web at www.realcrisis.org



Need help?

Center for Family Violence Prevention

24 Hour Crisis Line

(252)752-3811

TOLL FREE (800)537-2238

Greenville, NC

Checking on Cash!



MCC's interim Barn Manager, Ashley Bundy (Equine Technology Class of 2016), reports that a new scale is up and running in the Equine Department and that Cash was the first horse to test it out. (pictured left) He is now weighing in at 680 pounds - a 60 pound gain from last month. Cash has already had a busy first week in December. Now that he is more than five months old, he is undergoing the process of changing his diet from high growth feed to the same maintenance diet as all the other horses. Once the switch is complete, Cash will be moved out of the pen with his surrogate mother Ritzy, and exposed to multiple horses in the fields. The plan is to have him completely switched over to regular food and in a new paddock by Christmas break. Students have also started working with him on picking up his feet (pictured below) so that he can have his very first farrier visit by mid-December. This process involves rubbing his legs so that he does not kick or jump while the farrier is working on his hooves. The farrier will only trim his hooves during this visit. Shoes will come later. Cash is picking up on everyday routines like going in and out of barns, brushing and bathing (although he wants to eat the water hose). Bundy states, "Cash is a quick study and he certainly enjoys all of the attention he is getting."

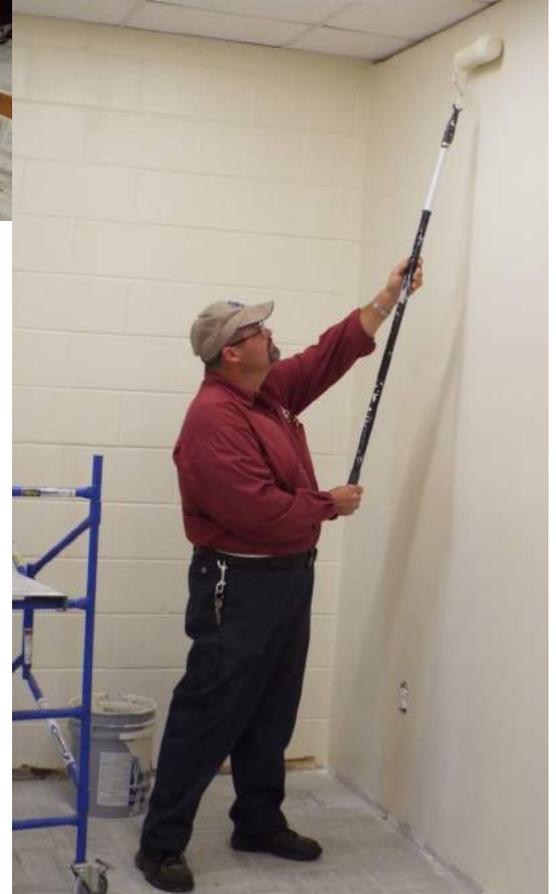


MCC is part of award recognition!



On November 8, the committee that organized the “Get the Life You Love” Job Fair and Expo on March 31 of this year, was selected by the Region Q Workforce Development Board to receive the “Sam Carson Award” for excellence in the creation of workforce development. The award was created in 2007 to recognize the outstanding efforts of the JobLink Career Center, Workforce Investment Act program operator, or JobLink partners in the counties of Beaufort, Bertie, Hertford, Martin and Pitt to market and promote workforce development throughout the region. Pictured above, from left to right are; Sherrie Bazemore (WIOA Workforce Specialist), Krista Jernigan Wood (Manager for the Department of Commerce-Division of Workforce Solutions/NC Works Career Center in Williamston), Quinton Turman, Chairman of the Region Q Workforce Development Board, Crystal Waters (MCC Counselor), Brenda G. Moore (MCC’s HRD Program Coordinator) and Sonona Jefferson (Program Services Manager for Martin Enterprises). Taking the picture was Judy Jennette (MCC Director of PR and Institutional Advancement), who was also a member of the committee. The job fair is unique in that it combines educational and workforce opportunities into one event. Nearly 50 employers and more than a dozen Colleges were represented at the last event. During the 2017 event, the committee also provided transportation to and from the Bob Martin Center for job seekers. The team was commended for bringing three different organizations together and creating an event that was like no other in the region.

Work on VP office and Cosmetology Classrooms Continues



The work to reorganize the Student Services Department continues at a furious pace. The Maintenance Department has made great headway in tearing down old walls, paneling and light fixtures (pictured above left) and replacing them with new and freshly painted walls as well as new and efficient lighting fixtures (picture above and middle right). Allen Wiggins (pictured right) and Jerry Wilson have been doing the finishing work in the offices. Once this work is complete, carpet will be installed.

Pictured below is the transformational work being done in the cosmetology labs. The old styling stations that were formerly in room 26, have been moved to the other side of the building into room 30. These smaller stations will be used by MCC's first year Cosmetology students. The larger stations in room 24 will continue to be used by the advanced students. Pictured in the middle below is Patricia Burroughs getting the new lab in tip top shape for the students. If all goes as planned, the students will start using it in January.



MCC Cosmo Students Learn about Tools of the Trade

On November 30, Andrea Morton, a representative from Icon Shears (pictured top, middle and lower right), visited the MCC campus and shared a vast array of professional-grade cosmetology shears with our first and second year Cosmetology students (pictured below).

Icon Shears, administratively based in Nashville, TN, has evolved to encompass a network of representatives reaching cosmetology students and industry professionals across the country and South America. The company's educational division is dedicated to personally serving cosmetology schools, nationwide. The company hosts more than 40 educational classes/workshops/ per week.

MCC's students learned the essential basics about shears, including: the materials used in the manufacturing process, components, various designs and related ergonomic benefits, proper selection and sizing as well as care and maintenance.

Students had the opportunity to touch and feel more than 100 shear designs and get a feel for which design meets their personal needs and desires. Morton made herself available to personally assist the students in reviewing the products on display.

MCC's Cosmetology students are eligible to purchase many hair styling tools like shears, curling irons, brushes, combs, etc., and products like shampoos, conditioners, dyes, etc., at factory-direct prices. This is very helpful in launching their careers after graduation.

Events like this demonstrate MCC's ability, and our instructors' desire, to give MCC students the attention and skills they need to succeed. MCC's Cosmetology Instructors, Curtis Hyler and Jennifer Joyce, are to be commended for providing this professional development opportunity for their students!



MCC's Business Advisory Board Meets



On November 9, MCC's Business Advisory Board met to review the program's current offerings and discuss potential improvements to enhance the program. Pictured clockwise from the lower left corner are; Lowell Taylor, CPA - Carr, Riggs, Ingram, Deryl Fulmer, Ph.D., Dean of Academic Affairs - Martin Community College, Larry Biggs, Director - Carolina Small Business, Elaine Spellman, MA, Department Chair - Martin Community College, Cindy Ange, Martin County Financial Officer - Martin County Finance Office, Lona Binnicker, Senior Accountant - Domtar Paper, Co., LLC, David Whitley, Director - Martin County Chamber of Commerce, Kenneth Boham, Ed.D., Interim President - Martin Community College and Deborah Wyman, Ed.D., Faculty, Business Administration and Accounting - Martin Community College. MCC is very thankful for the generous time and energy these volunteers give to the College!

Customized Training Draws Five Companies to MCC

MCC's Business and Industry Liaison, Billy Barber, organized a day-long training session on Management Essentials based on the new version of the popular book, *The 1 Minute Manager*. The course was designed by Ken Blanchard, a nationally recognized Leadership and Supervision trainer. Ten attendees representing Penco, HTM Concepts, Carolina Store Fixtures, Metcore Industrial Solutions and Domtar learned from Ed Gash, an NCCCS Customized Training regional trainer, on November 8. To learn more about customized training, contact Barber at 252-789-0303.



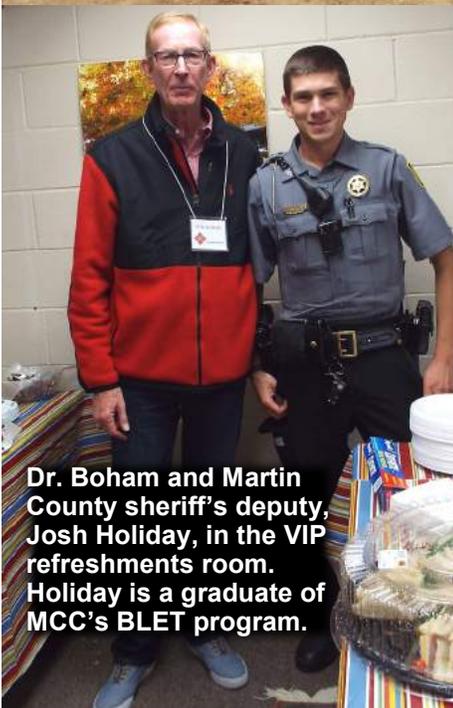
MCC Foundation's 26th Annual Rodeo is successful



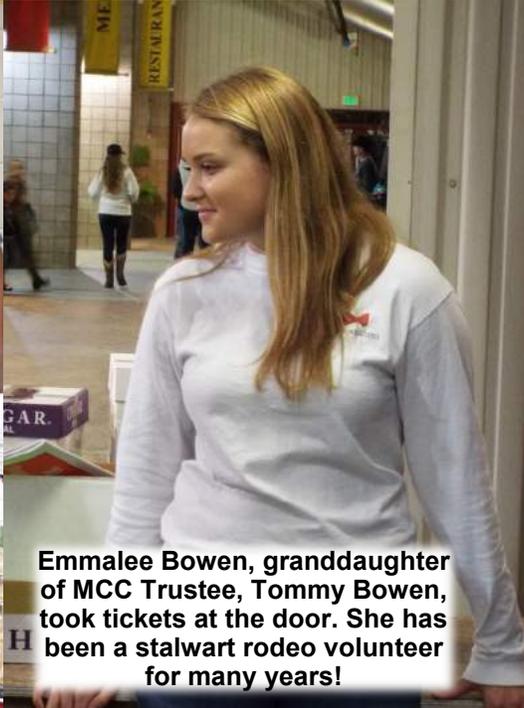
MCC Equine students prepare to enter the arena for the opening ceremonies.



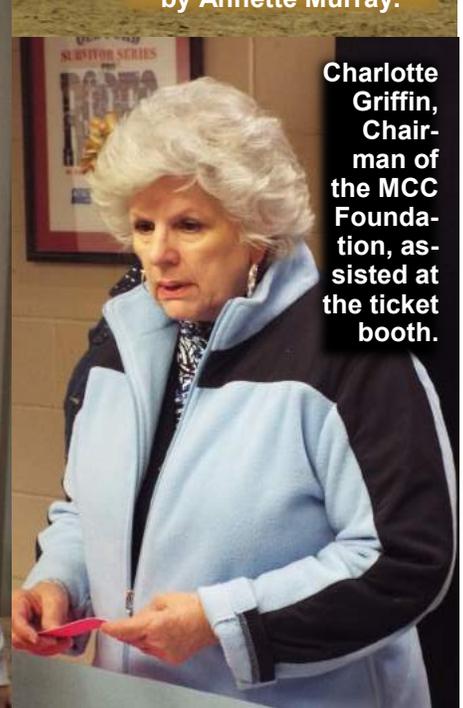
Bull rider picture taken by Annette Murray.



Dr. Boham and Martin County sheriff's deputy, Josh Holiday, in the VIP refreshments room. Holiday is a graduate of MCC's BLET program.



Emmalee Bowen, granddaughter of MCC Trustee, Tommy Bowen, took tickets at the door. She has been a stalwart rodeo volunteer for many years!



Charlotte Griffin, Chairwoman of the MCC Foundation, assisted at the ticket booth.

MCC's 26th Annual, Stampede in the Park Rodeo, was held at the Senator Bob Martin Ag Center on November 10 and 11. The rodeo is a major fundraiser for the MCC Foundation. Initial tabulations indicate that the rodeo raised approximately \$18,000 for the Foundation. These funds will be used primarily for scholarships. At least one schol-

arship will be dedicated to the equine department, others will assist GED students in furthering their education and some of the funds will help high school students in MCC's service area attend college. This year's corporate sponsors included Dominion NC Power, Edgecombe-Martin Electric Membership Corporation, Martin

County Travel and Tourism Authority, Pepsi, Suddenlink, Williams Fire Sprinkler, WITN-TV and WTIB (103.7 FM). As always, the countless volunteers made everything run smoothly by selling tickets, taking tickets, distributing brochures, answering questions and preparing food for the VIP sponsor room. The Foundation is very grateful!

MCC Welding Student Takes Tailgating to New Level



One of MCC's Career and College Promise students at Bertie High School, and a resident of Powellsville, Brian Deans, outdid himself in his welding class. For his senior project, Deans designed and constructed a bench from two old Chevy truck tailgates, a bumper, and two old metal chairs. His instructor, Jarvis Parker, was so impressed, he sent pictures of the bench for the newsletter.

Pictured above left is Deans in front of the bench in its earliest stage. He cut open the tailgates and inserted the metal chairs to form the legs and back support for the bench. He also cut out a section of the tailgate used for the seat to mount a bumper. Deans then fabricated and welded arm rests to each end of the bench.

The center picture shows how Deans mounted and wired taillights at the ends of the bumper as well as a radio and CD player in the center console. Another student in the class assisted Deans in painting the bench and adding the Chevy lettering and emblems. Deans even found a Chevy tail plate and mounted it to the bumper with lights. The bottom picture shows how the bench looks when it is lit up and playing music.

According to Parker, Deans is a very talented and creative student. He not only sculpts whimsical benches out of tailgates and bumpers, but he also plays drums in the Bertie High School Marching Band and is a musician for two churches.

Currently, after graduation, Deans plans to apply for the apprenticeship program at the Newport News Shipyard in Virginia. It looks as though he has a promising career ahead of him!

Thanks to Jarvis Parker for taking and sharing these photos!

McCann Takes Students to UNC-CH for Chemistry Labs Tour



Pictured above, in front of the iconic Old Well at the University of NC at Chapel Hill (UNCCH), from left to right, are Abigail H. Spencer, Erika A. Trejo and Heaven Sasser. They are all students in Dr. Mike McCann's Chemistry class at MCC who toured the University's Chemistry Department in October. Elisabeth Heath is not pictured.

On October 10, four of MCC's chemistry students had the opportunity to tour the Chemistry Department and visit the research labs at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill. The Department of Chemistry at the UNC-CH has over 250 graduate students, and more than 700 undergraduate students. Its faculty includes several members of the National Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Engineering, recipients of the NIH Director's Pioneer Award, several winners of American Chemical Society national awards, a Lemelson-MIT Prize winner, and numerous recipients of other prestigious national and local awards in chemistry and teaching.

The students who participated were Abigail H. Spencer, Erika A. Trejo, Heaven L Sasser and Elisabeth Heath. Spencer, Trejo and Heath come to MCC via NERSBA (the North East Regional School for Biotechnology and Agriscience) based in Jamesville. Sasser is a traditional student in the College Transfer program. Spencer, has already been awarded a full scholarship to attend Campbell University. Heath has applied to the UNC in Chapel Hill.

Upon arrival, the students met with Professor Todd Austell. He spent nearly an hour explaining the department and all of the opportunities available to undergraduate chemistry majors. Dr. Austell then toured the students through the department showing them the prestigious labs of Professors Joseph M DeSimone, Gary Glish and David Lawrence as well as the impressive Chemistry Research Instrumentation Teaching and Core Laboratories.

When asked why he chose to take the students to UNC -CH, McCann stated, "I really feel that UNC-CH has the best chemistry department in the state and I wanted our students to see what that's like. For me, the highlight of the tour was seeing the core laboratories and the 3-D printer developed by Professor DeSimone."

DeSimone has been a key contributor in developing a new 3-D printing technology developed by Silicon Valley startup, Carbon3D Inc. The new process enables objects to rise from a liquid media continuously rather than being built layer by layer as they have been for the past 25 years, representing a fundamentally new

approach to 3-D printing. The technology, allows ready-to-use products to be made 25 to 100 times faster than other methods and creates previously unachievable geometries that open opportunities for innovation not only in health care and medicine, but also in other major industries such as automotive and aviation.

"By rethinking the whole approach to 3-D printing, and the chemistry and physics behind the process, we have developed a new technology that can create parts radically faster than traditional technologies by essentially 'growing' them in a pool of liquid," said DeSimone, who revealed the technology in March of 2015.

The students spent nearly two hours in the chemistry department and labs at UNC-CH and then enjoyed lunch together in Chapel Hill. MCC is certainly fortunate to have instructors like Dr. Mann who will take the time to introduce our students to such wonderful opportunities.



Examples of liquid 3D printing.



MCC Supports Shop Small Campaign

On November 21 and 22, MCC's Small Business Center Director, Callie Northern-Herring and her Administrative Assistant, Lena Jackson set out to promote "Shop Small" in Martin and Bertie Counties. This year, Shop Small Saturday, which is always celebrated on the first Saturday after Thanksgiving, fell on November 25. Northern-Herring and Jackson distributed posters, shopping bags and other Shop Small promotional materials provided by American Express.

The Shop Small movement started in 2010 to bring attention to small shops and businesses during the holiday shopping season and encourage shoppers to support their local economy. Small business owners generated an estimated \$15.4 billion dollars on Small Business Saturday in 2016.

Pictured clockwise from the top left are: Kaley Jase Boutique in Downtown Windsor, Ivy Lane Florist & Gifts in Downtown Windsor, Quality Shoes in Downtown Williamston, Bennett Art Studio in Downtown Williamston, Main Street Monogramming (MSM) in Downtown Williamston, Family Mart LLC in Merryhill, Furnishing Finds & Treasures on Washington Street in downtown Williamston, the Red Heron Café in Downtown Williamston, Curlz & Dots Monogramming in Downtown Robersonville, Unique Boutique in Downtown Williamston, The Bargain Shop in Downtown Williamston and Simply Southern Boutique on Walmart Drive in Williamston.



Perdue Foods Rep Meets with Automotive Students



On November 28, John Claassen, the Regional Fleet Manager for Perdue Foods, LLC (pictured top left) met with students in Al Daves' Automotive Service Technology (AST) classes (pictured below left) to discuss job opportunities. Claassen, formerly a diesel mechanic in the US Army for 11 years and a fleet manager for Eastman Chemicals after leaving the Army, recently joined Perdue Foods and is in the process of building relationships with AST shops across the state. Claassen noted that there were currently two fleet maintenance positions open at the Perdue plant in Lewiston, which is close to MCC. He also emphasized that good mechanics can do a lot more than turn a wrench. His career path led him to the logistical side of vehicle maintenance. Now he prepares policies, procedures and practices for the entire Perdue Foods fleet in his region. Pictured below right is MCC AST student Keith Clark. Clark has a degree from NC A&T and works at Ann's House of Nuts but wanted to learn more about automotive mechanics. When asked about his student's reaction to the presentation, Daves stated, "I believe his visit whet their appetite."





Certifications

NC3 Approves MCC's AST Program for additional credential

Certifications

Exams available at Martin Community College

| Name | Category | Type |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Wheel Balancing Basics | Wheel Service Certification | Certificate of Attendance |
| Alignment Fundamentals | Wheel Service Certification | Certificate of Attendance |
| Torque Theory Test | Torque Certification | Certificate of Attendance |
| Torque Mechanical Certification | Torque Certification | Certification |
| Torque Electrical with ATECH2FR100B Certification | Torque Certification | Certification |
| Hand Tool Safety Test | Torque Certification | Certificate of Attendance |
| Electrical Safety Test | Torque Certification | Certificate of Attendance |
| RFV 2000 Wheel Balancing Certification | Wheel Service Certification | Certification |
| Pro 42 Wheel Alignment Certification | Wheel Service Certification | Certification |
| EHP System V Tire and Wheel Service Certification | Wheel Service Certification | Certification |
| 525 Multimeter Certification | Meter Certification | Certification |
| Meter Certification Pre-test | Meter Certification | Pre-Test |
| Pro-Cut Rotor Matching Certification | Wheel Service Certification | Certification |

In early November, Al Dawes, MCC's AST (Automotive Service Technology) instructor, was notified that he has been approved to qualify students for a fourteenth NC3 certification. These certifications are portable credentials for mechanics.

The National Coalition of Certification Centers (NC3) was established to address the need for strong industry partnerships with educational institutions in order to develop, implement and sustain

industry-recognized portable certifications that have strong validation and assessment standards.

Dawes has been taking multiple NC3 classes, the most recent in Goldsboro, NC, to assist MCC students in building their career portfolio with as many "stackable credentials" as possible.

Listed above are thirteen of the Third Party Certifications that can be instructed to any student signed up for the AST Program. Dawes is also allowed to "Cross Train" an-

other Instructor, so they may Instruct/Certify students that complete the Lab/Coursework, in other Program areas. The newest credential to be added to the list is ShopKey-Pro Levels 1 & 2. This is an Electronic Repair Database program. MCC's AST program must have this to be compliant with the National Automotive Technician Education Foundation (NATEF) Standards. Way to go Al Dawes!

New Cosmetology Gift Certificates now available!



MCC's Cosmetology Department now offers gift certificates! They are available in \$5 and \$10 increments and may be used to pay for any of the wide array of services available through the department - wash, cuts, styles, perms, manicures, facials, pedicures, color, highlights, relaxers and more! The certificates are available just in

time for holiday giving! And best of all, every customer helps our cosmetology students gain the valuable experience and lab time they need to graduate. All funds collected from these certificates and services go back into the Cosmetology program. Call 789-0250 to make an appointment or to learn more about the program and its services. Pictured below is MCC student, Jeana Hollis, holding one of the new gift certificates. Hollis is a sophomore in the Cosmetology program.



EMT

Emergency Medical Technician

**Classes start
1/8/18**

Mondays and Wednesdays, 6-10 pm,
on the Williamston Campus

Classes end on 5/9/18

Application deadline is 1/2/18.

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Donald Dixon is MCC's new Criminal Justice Technology Instructor

Life long Beaufort County resident, Donald Dixon, joined the MCC faculty in November. He is tasked with establishing the new Criminal Justice Technology (CJT) program, set to begin in January 2018.

Although Dixon has long been involved in his family's HVAC business and has owned his own business, East Coast Heating and Cooling for many years, he has also maintained a passion for law enforcement. He earned his undergraduate Criminal Justice BS degree from Mount Olive College in 1999 and his MS degree in Criminal Justice from ECU in 2010.

Dixon worked as a deputy for the Beaufort County Sheriff's Department for five years, the last two of which he was School Resource Officer (SRO) at Northside High School. While there, he also gained considerable experience as both a Field Training Officer and a K9 Handler. Dixon also operated his own private investigation firm for 13 years.

Although MCC received approval from the NCCCS (North Carolina Community College System) nearly a year ago, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Commission of Colleges (COC) considered the new program to be a substantive change, and therefore, required review and approval at their level.

This October, SACSCOC officially approved MCC's plan to add CJT to its list of degree programs. By the time MCC's Fall of 2018 semester begins, the following CJT specific classes will be developed and worked into the curricu-

lum schedule. These classes will include; Introduction to Criminal Justice, Criminology, Juvenile Justice, Criminal Law, Ethics and Community Relations, Investigative Principles and Constitutional Law.

The overall CJT curriculum is designed to provide knowledge of criminal justice systems and operations. Study focuses on local, state, and federal law enforcement, judicial processes, corrections, and security services. The criminal justice system's role within society is explored throughout this course of study. Emphasis is on criminal justice systems, criminology and constitutional law, investigative, juvenile justice, criminal principles, ethics, and community relations. Additional study may include issues and concepts of government, counseling, communications, computers, and technology. The general education classes for CJT include; humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics.

Criminal Justice training is offered at community colleges across the state to meet the workforce training needs of a wide variety of criminal justice professionals, including police officer, deputy sheriff, county detention officer, state trooper, intensive probation/parole surveillance officer, correctional officer, and loss prevention specialist.

According to Bureau of Labor Statistics data from May of 2016, there are 3,720 Protective Services jobs in the Northeastern North Carolina Nonmetropolitan



**Donald Dixon,
MCC's new CJT Instructor**

Area (comprised of Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Dare, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Warren and Washington counties).

MCC's Dean of Academics, Dr. Deryl Davis Fulmer states, "We intend to get this program underway immediately. However, the timing of the approval will limit our start up to the required general education courses and at least two Criminal Justice (CJ) classes. We are already in the process of hiring the program's director and instructor."

Dr. Davis Fulmer adds, "We are thrilled to have Mr. Dixon joining our faculty. His broad base of experience and credentials are just what we needed to launch the Criminal Justice program. And best of all, Mr. Dixon is excited to be a part of starting a new program at the ground floor."



Pictured left is Jennifer Haygood, the Interim President of the NC Community College System, sporting her Martin Community College hoodie in Raleigh. It was given to her in May of this year, when she delivered the commencement speech at MCC's 49th graduation. In May, Haygood was the chief financial officer for the Community College System. Haygood has been the interim system president since October 1. Like MCC, the State Community College System is in the process of searching for a new president. It's great to be recognized by the folks at the top!



Martin Memos

Dec. 14 –15, 18 - Final Exams

Dec. 14 –15, 18 - Book buy back

Dec. 18 - Semester ends

Dec. 21 - Jan. 1 - MCC closed for holidays

Jan. 2 - Last Day for Early Registration Students to Pay for Spring Semester

Jan. 3 - Registration for Spring Semester, 9:30 am - 6:30 pm

Jan. 3 - Last day for 100% refund

Jan. 4 - First Day of Classes for Spring Semester 2018

Jan.8 - Last day to register for classes