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Mercer County Community College Foundation 2010-11 ANNUAL REPORT

Our Mission

The Mercer County Community College Foundation is an independent nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to establish and carry out enrichment activities that support the mission of the college and the community it serves.

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Letter from the Chair

The MCCC Foundation Board has never been more keenly aware of the importance of its mission than in the past several years. We are working closely with the college to respond to harsh economic times by broadening our scope. In June, the Foundation adopted a strategic framework that will guide us through 2013. These forward-looking strategies will provide us with a structure for growth and accountability.

Our priority, as always, is student success. To that end, we hosted three successful fundraising events – the Golf Classic and Floyd Fest in the fall and the Dinner Dance Gala in the spring. These events not only raise critical funds for scholarships and other college priorities, they serve to remind us and our community friends that Mercer is *our* county college, serving the educational needs of a huge and diverse population and fueling the county's economic engine.

Our board is made up of volunteers who recognize the power of education to transform communities and the nation. We lost one valued visionary this year, philanthropist and community activist Marjorie Blaxill, who passed away in May. Marjorie was both a Foundation member and one of our leaders, serving on the nominating committee, the executive committee, and as vice chair. Deeply devoted to student success, she had a compassionate view of students' efforts whenever she visited the campus and engaged with our students. We honored her with our Spirit of Education Award in 2008.

As you read through these pages, you will see how our Foundation Board is helping so many students to expand their worlds and better their lives through education. Please consider supporting the college -- with an annual or planned gift, with an in-kind gift, with a gift in honor or memory of a loved one, or with a gift of your time as a volunteer at the college or on our Foundation. And remember, your contribution is not to an institution; rather, it's to people pursuing and working to achieve their dreams.

Sincerely,

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Annual Campaign

Now in its fourth year, the Annual Giving Campaign received generous contributions from college trustees, members of the Foundation Board, alumni, faculty, staff, corporations and community members. Almost \$42,000 was raised.

Each year, faculty and staff are invited to develop proposals for funding consideration through the Annual Campaign. This year, three mini-grants were awarded to MCCC faculty and staff to pursue innovative educational initiatives in 2011-12.

"Smart" Classrooms

For millennial learners, access to state-of-the-art instructional technology is a must. Three seminar rooms will be equipped with "smart" technology for use by the Mercer Honors Program and other groups, allowing students to collaborate in new ways, have immediate access to current research and design interactive presentations.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Integration of learning across disciplines is integral to the college's instructional

goals. Mathematics and chemistry faculty will develop a new course, "Computational Chemistry: An Intersection of Mathematics and Chemistry." This interdisciplinary curriculum will help students apply math and technology learning to science challenges. Instructional materials will be creative and competency-based, adding to students' critical thinking skills and approaches to problem-solving.

Serving Mercer's Highly Mobile Students

MCCC's Virtual College has seen phenomenal growth in the past five years, nearly doubling its enrollment and course offerings. With the goal of staying at the cutting edge of distance learning modalities that best serve Mercer's most highly mobile students, MCCC's Virtual College staff members will investigate new computer programs and apps, such as those that support iPad or Android tablets. This continuing exploration of accessibility and compatibility with mobile devices will be a top priority for the department.

Faculty and staff who will carry out special projects funded through the Annual Campaign include, front row, from left, Yvonne Greenbaun, Carol Bork and Gianna Durso-Finley; back row, second from left, Helen Tanzini, Michael Sullivan and Rodney Hargis. They are pictured with Dr. Guy Generals, vice president for Academic Affairs (far left).

Dow Jones: A Committed Partner in Annual Giving

Dow Jones, a generous supporter to our Annual Campaign for the past three years, increased its investment in education at Mercer this year. The company doubled its gift to \$10,000 in unrestricted funding that can be used to support special projects and programs. Dow Jones also contributes generously to the college's Gala Dinner Dance, serving as a \$15,000 Platinum Sponsor in 2011.



Annual Giving Constituency Grows

This year, Mercer's Annual Campaign broadened its scope to include college alumni, who appreciate the importance of their MCCC education, as well as to students who are actively engaged in learning on our campuses. Through their gifts, both large and small, these individuals make a statement that they are part of the Mercer family and ready to support education now and in the future.

To participate in our current Annual Campaign, visit www.mccc.edu/give.



Major Foundation Events: La Bella Notte

Gala Dinner Dance Is "La Bella Notte"

The Foundation's major fundraising event of the year, "La Bella Notte" (A Beautiful Evening), was held in March at the Hyatt Regency, Princeton. The gala evening raised more than \$64,000 to be used for scholarships for deserving students and other student and program needs. The event included dinner, dancing and a silent auction with original artwork.

Part of the celebratory evening was an opportunity for the Foundation to recognize honorees from the local community who are key supporters of the college's educational mission.

Robert Sacks Represents Scholarship Recipients

Robert Sacks returned to college to pursue a second career in advertising design after feeling the grip of the economic downturn. Formerly in marketing and sales, Sacks decided to blend that background with his passion for art. "It's the perfect marriage between business and art," he says. A member of the Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society with a perfect 4.0 GPA, Sacks' goal is to transfer to Rutgers University's Mason Gross School of the Arts. He welcomed the scholarship award he received from the MCCC Foundation to help with the high cost of textbooks and art supplies.



Honorees and committee members, from left, seated, are Anna Lustenberg representing honoree Verizon, honoree Eleanor V. Horne, and student representative Robert Sacks. Standing, from left, are Foundation Board member and Gala Co-Chair Nina Melker; MCCC President Patricia C. Donohue; Foundation Board member and honoree Robert E. Humes; Foundation Board Chair E. Karen Kennedy; honorees Carol and Dr. Albert Rosenthal (who passed away in April); MCCC Vice President Mellissia Zanjani; MCCC Trustee Chair Mark Matzen; and Gala Co-Chair Pat Colavita of the Mercer County Freeholders.



Students came out to thank supporters and enjoy the Gala. Pictured are, from left, Alex Henry, Maggie Scarpati, Casey Reiss, Russell Rosie, Joe Mydlowski and Katie Horahan.



Artwork donated by MCCC faculty and area artists was featured in the Silent Auction, which added close to \$10,000 to the James Colavita and Louis Draper Memorial Scholarship Funds.



Distinguished Corporate Partner Award: Verizon

Verizon, which proclaims that "the 21st century is truly a knowledge-based economy," focuses many of its philanthropic efforts on education. Verizon has been a generous supporter of the college – a valued corporate ally that does not fail to answer the call as MCCC strives to fulfill its mission to foster learning and student success. Anna Lustenberg, Verizon's director of external affairs, accepted the award on behalf of the company.

Spirit of Education Award: Robert E. Humes

A long-time member of the MCCC Foundation Board, Mr. Humes has given generously of his time, talent and treasure to support the college's students and programs. In particular, he has been committed to initiatives that create scholarships and financial assistance, making higher education accessible and affordable to MCCC students.

Spirit of Education Award: Eleanor V. Horne

Eleanor V. Horne has dedicated more than 40 years of service to educational causes. Throughout her career, culminating with her position as vice president of the Educational Testing Service Social Investment Fund (from which she is retired), Ms. Horne focused her efforts on community-based projects that improved access to educational opportunities and boosted the quality of our schools.



Gala Co-Chairs Nina Melker and Pat Colavita.



Students enjoy the evening.

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Major Foundation Events: Golf Classic

A Tradition of Fun and Philanthropy to Benefit Student Athletes

For the first time in years, rain ruled the skies, but did not dampen the spirit of philanthropy as the MCCC Athletics Department hosted its 19th Annual Golf Classic on Oct. 5, 2010. Eighty participants headed to the links at Mercer Oaks Golf Course. The tournament is held in memory of area physician, Dr. Cynthia Schaffer, who served on the MCCC Foundation Board and was an ardent sports enthusiast, especially in golf and youth tennis.

MCCC athletes came out to assist on the 18-hole championship course, located adjacent to Mercer County Park. The event raised more than \$10,000 for the Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund. Last year 76 student athletes received financial support from the college to help fund their Mercer education.

Following the day of golf, participants enjoyed a banquet dinner, which included a silent auction of donated sports items and other valuables, and the presentation of awards by MCCC Athletics Director John Simone. Tournament winners included the foursome of Scott Spiezle of Spiezle Architectural Group Inc. Awards were also given for second place, longest drives for men and women, and closest-to-the-pin on four holes.

Community volunteers who served on the Golf Committee included Doug Borden of Borden Perlman Insurance Company; David Fraytak of Faridy, Veisz, Fraytak Architects; E. Karen Kennedy; Thomas Kull; Timothy Losch of The Bank; Nina Melker of The Bank of Princeton; Scott Needham of Princeton Air Conditioning Inc.; and Steve Ritzau.



The Golf Committee included, from left, MCCC's John Simone, committee members Scott Needham, Steve Ritzau and Dave Fraytak, and MCCC Vice President for Academic Affairs Guy Generals.

Addressing the assembled guests, Foundation Chair E. Karen Kennedy expressed her gratitude to this special group that has consistently made MCCC student athletes a priority—both the dedicated members of the Golf Committee and the event's many golfers. Also participating in the festivities were MCCC Vice President Guy Generals and Executive Dean Diane Campbell.

To support MCCC athletics through the Golf Classic or other giving options, visit www.mccc.edu/give.



Student athletes came out in force to assist on the course and show their appreciation for the community's support.

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Floyd Fest

With the sounds of jazz performed by MCCC students and alumni creating a festive high note, more than 180 friends, family members and elected officials gathered at Princeton's Nassau Inn in October to recognize long-time Princeton area community volunteers Jim Floyd and his late wife, Fannie. "Floyd Fest" marked the establishment of the Jim and Fannie Floyd Endowed Scholarship Fund at Mercer, where Jim Floyd has been a member of the Foundation Board for over 30 years. More than \$40,000 was raised for this new scholarship, whose earnings will be awarded annually to needy MCCC students.

Floyd, the first African American to be elected to the Princeton Township Committee and to serve as Princeton mayor, has been an active volunteer for decades. He and Fannie, who passed away in 2008, worked throughout their lives to foster educational opportunities and to combat discrimination in housing. Jim continues to serve on many nonprofit boards.



"Floyd Fest" Co-Chairs Debby D'Arcangelo and Hendricks Davis.



The celebratory group included, from left, Sam Floyd (Jim's brother), MCCC Vice President Mellissia Zanjani, Foundation Board members Ehad Abousabe (with son Jad, front), Robert Humes, Joseph Ridolfi, and Terry McEwen, Princeton Regional Chamber President Peter Crowley, MCCC Foundation Chair E. Karen Kennedy, honoree Jim Floyd, Lynne Faridy and Foundation Board member Jim Faridy.

The event was co-chaired by Debby D'Arcangelo, an MCCC Foundation Board member, and Princeton resident Hendricks Davis, with help from a team of MCCC Foundation Board members and community volunteers. The second annual Floyd Fest was held in October, 2011.



Honoree Jim Floyd, right, spends time with MCCC students, from left, Brianna LaCava, Nick Bella and Kelly Smith.

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Scholarship Highlights

Professor Mel Leipzig Supports Emerging Artists Through Scholarships

Fine Arts Professor Mel Leipzig takes joy in nurturing the artistic gifts of some of his most promising students. He has established the Mel Leipzig Scholarship, with funds donated by colleagues and friends at his 70th birthday celebration in 2005. He also contributes to the Samuel Willig and Jack Harris Memorial Scholarships, presented annually to outstanding students in the arts.



Guadalupe Reyes with her portrait of her sister during the Visual Arts Student Show in April.



Graduating student Guadalupe Reyes accepts a scholarship from Fine Arts Professor Mel Leipzig. Reyes also received the Jack Harris Memorial Scholarship. Pictured at left is Dean Judy Ehresman.

Accounting Students Continue to Count on CPA Society

Each year the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants continues to reward excellence for accounting students at Mercer, providing scholarships for both continuing and graduating students. At the Honors Convocation in May, NJSCPA representative Dave Misiura presented checks to three graduating students.



Graduate Tracye Coleman, center, with, from left, Acting Dean of Business Winston Maddox, NJSCPA's Dave Misiura, Professor Ken Horowitz, MCCC President Patricia C. Donohue and Vice President for Academic Affairs Guy Generals.

Boys Home Society Adds Major Funding to Cornelius Math Scholarships

The Boys Home Society of Baltimore Inc., a nonprofit organization that has disbanded, has made a second donation to the Professor Betty Wallace Cornelius Mathematics Excellence Award. Cornelius taught at Mercer from 1968 until 2006. Following her death, her family created an endowed scholarship in her name in 2009 to provide financial assistance to students with outstanding accomplishments in math. The Boys Home Society,

after having given \$25,000 to the fund, has given an additional \$67,000. Interest from the fund will be used each year to provide scholarships for high achieving math students.

Graduate Cheryl Hicks (center) with, from left, Dean of Liberal Arts Robin Schore, donor Jeffrey Cornelius, President Patricia C. Donohue and Vice President for Academic Affairs Guy Generals.



An Investment in Science Learning

The Bonazzi Foundation continues its generous scholarship support of MCCC students pursuing careers in science education. Says Robert Bonazzi, "The foundation was created because we believe that our society will be more prosperous, humane, and productive as citizens increase their understanding and respect for the role of science. Encouraging careers in science education is our way to help with this goal."

A former biology teacher, Bonazzi notes that during his 20-year relationship with the college as executive director of the New Jersey Education Association, he saw firsthand the quality of the education that Mercer provides at a reasonable cost. "It is a great source of pride to me and my family to be able to work with the college. We are proud of our continuing partnership and salute the work of this wonderful institution."



Robert Bonazzi presents the Bonazzi Foundation Scholarship to Plant Science student William Ersing, whose goal is to combine his interest in science with a career in education.

PNC Completes Education Circle with Boys and Girls Club Scholarships

PNC Bank's focus on education is benefitting MCCC students. PNC is a generous contributor to the Boys and Girls Club (BGC) of Trenton, starting with after-school program funding for middle schoolers and continuing with a paid internship program through high school. Three years ago, PNC worked with MCCC President Patricia C. Donohue to add Mercer scholarships that complete the circle. Two area students were awarded PNC scholarships to attend Mercer in fall, 2011.

"Community college is such a great bargain and such a great investment," BGC's Executive Director Dave Anderson says. Adds PNC's Regional President Kevin Tylus, "Kids come to the Boys and Girls Club with tremendous potential and it's only through education that they can realize it. We are confident they will receive an outstanding education at Mercer."



Students Michael Coleman and Brianna Terry earned PNC scholarships to attend MCCC. They are pictured with BGC Executive Director Dave Anderson (left).

Students at James Kerney Campus Celebrated for Achievement

The achievements of more than 150 students who spent significant time studying at Mercer's James Kerney Campus were celebrated at a special ceremony at the Trenton War Memorial in May.

Among them were students earning their associate degrees, as well as those earning certificates from the Career Training Institute, GED graduates, and those completing coursework in Mercer's English Language Institute. Fourteen students received Foundation scholarships to continue their pursuit of education at MCCC.



Tre Lane, second from left, was the recipient of the Albert B. Kahn Scholarship for a graduating student from Trenton Central High School. Lane plans to study computer science at Mercer. He is pictured with, from left, MCCC President Patricia C. Donohue, Foundation Board Member Thomas Kull and Vice President for College Advancement Mellissia Zanjani.

Capital Support for Facilities and Equipment

Learning Enriched Through Distinguished Lecture Series

This year, the Foundation provided financial support that enriched the learning experience for Mercer students through the Distinguished Lecture Series. The Foundation presented honorariums for 10 guest lecturers, who spoke to packed houses of students, faculty, staff and community members at the West Windsor campus, with simulcasts to the James Kerney Campus. Topics ranged from governmental policy, business and science, to painting and community service. These lecturers add vital perspectives and expertise to students' learning outside the classroom and help students see the connection between their college curriculum and real-world applications and careers.



Wayne Meisel, far left, founding president of the Bonner Foundation, presented a lecture, "Serving Others," as part of the Distinguished Lecture Series. He is pictured with, from left, student Kimberly Ferguson, Professor and MCCC's Bonner Advisor Eric Watson, and students Serita Lee, Amy Yarborough and Adrianna Rudolph.

Enhancements at Richardson Learning Center



The Beverly A. Richardson Learning Center, which is the hub for tutoring, advisement and student services at the James Kerney Campus, was dedicated in honor of the former JKC provost in February. In its efforts to support this vital place for learning, the Foundation provided the center with funds for all new seating, while the college engaged in a facility upgrade that included a new configuration, quiet study areas and small group seminar rooms, new artwork for the walls, and new technology and furniture in perimeter classrooms.

Dr. Beverly Richardson during the Learning Center dedication ceremony in her honor.



Students utilize computers and support services in the Richardson Learning Center at the James Kerney Campus.

Expanding Working Space at JKC Kitchen

As part of a remodeling project in the Center City Café at the James Kerney Campus, the Foundation provided \$61,000 to expand prep and cooking areas in the students' training kitchen. Among the new facilities are a walkin refrigerator, expanded pantry for dry storage, two ovens and an enhanced fire alarm system. A new dishwasher will complete the project, to be finished in fall 2011.

In-Kind Gifts: Consider Donating Your Treasures

Put Mercer on your list of go-to places for possible donations of equipment, products or personal items that have potential use for teaching and learning, or could benefit the college in another way. For more information contact Mellissia Zanjani, vice president for College Advancement, at 609-570-3608.

Sculptures to Aid Teaching and Art Appreciation

Learning comes in all shapes and sizes. This year, Carol Rosenthal and her late husband, Dr. Albert Rosenthal, along with community members David and Jo Kemble, donated four outdoor sculptures to the college. Said President Patricia C. Donohue, "This artwork will not only be enjoyed by our college community and visitors for years to come, but will serve as a teaching tool for our many art and architecture students."

The sculptures, by artist Richard Kemble, were installed in four locations at the West Windsor Campus. They were dedicated in May, when Mrs. Carol Rosenthal and the Kembles were guests of honor at a special ceremony. MCCC Trustee Bob Di Falco, President Donohue, and County Executive Brian Hughes thanked these generous donors.



MCCC Professor Mel Leipzig, left, speaks about Richard Kemble's sculptures during a tour of the four installations on campus.



Gathered to dedicate the Kemble sculptures on campus were, from left, MCCC Trustee Bob Di Falco, Associate Professor of Art Michael Welliver, Jo and David Kemble, Carol Rosenthal, MCCC President Patricia C. Donohue and Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes.

One of the four sculptures on permanent display on the West Windsor Campus.



Kelsey Theatre Hits New Notes with Piano Donation

With an aging infrastructure, MCCC's Kelsey Theatre relies more than ever on community support to upgrade its equipment and provide its theater companies with the tools they need to produce top quality productions. Community member Martha Runyon, a 1975 MCCC alumna and fan of Kelsey Theatre, and her daughter, Amy, donated a family piano to Kelsey in June.

According to Kelsey Theatre Artistic Director M. Kitty Getlik, the piano has found a home in the MCCC Student Center, where it is used regularly by theater companies during rehearsals and also for students' musical activities. The Runyons are delighted that their family treasure is being put to good use.



MCCC alumna Martha Runyon, standing right, and her daughter, Amy, seated, donated their family piano to Kelsey Theatre. They are pictured with Kelsey Artistic Director M. Kitty Getlik.

Gifts to WWFM Help Expand Listener Base

WWFM The Classical Network, based at the college's West Windsor Campus, received listener support from across the state, the country and even from those who listen online around the world. Gifts from two private foundations helped to equip the station with the technology it needs to reach an ever growing number of classical and jazz music lovers. The Frank and Lydia Bergen Foundation donated \$10,000 to enable live streaming of WWFM and JazzOn2 and to make webcasts of the station's programs available. The Edward T. Cone Foundation donated \$15,000 for the station's expansion into New York City, a major project that will become a reality in fall 2011.

Remembering Loved Ones at Mercer

Foundation Board Member Majorie Blaxill



The college family lost a very special member last year. Marjorie G. Blaxill, of Princeton, served on the Foundation Board for more than 17 years, right up to her death, making MCCC one of the major

focuses of her many philanthropic activities later in life. She served as the Foundation's vice chair from 2007-08 and was selected for the "Spirit of Education" award at MCCC's 2008 Gala Dinner Dance.

A former social worker, Mrs. Blaxill was known for her visits to campus to converse with students. Recalling a class of technology graduates in an interview several years ago, she said, "They were all sizes, all shapes, all ages...They were so proud. And I thought — their lives are going to change. That's a tangible reward."

The Blaxill Family has designated MCCC's Trenton campus for gifts in Marjorie's memory.

Professor Edward House



A Trenton native and graduate of Trenton Central High School and Princeton University, Dr. Edward House taught at MCCC for over 40 years. His commitment to the college and to educating the next generation was unending. Serving as chair of several departments during his tenure, his courses included chemistry, physics, physical sciences, atmospheric science and mathematics.

Dr. House earned his doctorate in Physical Chemistry from the University of Rochester. He served as chapter president of the American Chemical Society and volunteered with organizations that promote social justice and human rights.

In memory of Dr. House, a scholarship fund of close to \$30,000 has been established. The Dr. Edward H. House Memorial Scholarship will be awarded

annually to a continuing student with high academic promise. Additional gifts are welcome.

Retiree Jennie DeLapo



For long-time employee, the late Jennie DeLapo, Mercer "was her second family," according to former co-worker Renata Fusco.

Jennie began working at Mercer in 1973, moving up and through different departments, until her retirement in 2007.

She took a variety of MCCC classes over the years, earning her A.A. degree in 1996. Among her many positions, she worked in Student Development and Career Services and joined the staff of Mercer's Virtual College in 2001, assisting faculty and students to "go live" with online teaching and learning.

She served in several positions on the executive board of the Professional Staff Federation including as vice president.

Fusco established a scholarship in DeLapo's memory, with funds to be awarded to a full-time continuing student with financial need enrolled in Virtual College classes. Donations continue to be accepted.

Join the MCCC Legacy Society

We gratefully acknowledge those who have contributed to the MCCC Foundation through a trust or will, or have notified us of their intentions to do so in the future.

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Rotary Supports MCCC In Memory of Tony Luce

The Rotary Club of the Princeton Corridor has established an endowed scholarship in the amount of \$10,000 in memory of community member Tony Luce for a continuing student studying electrical engineering or engineering science. According to Club President Barbara Evans, MCCC was the club's college of choice because of Mr. Luce's deep commitment to youth, education, and the ideals of the Rotary. Mr. Luce, who passed away in 2009, was an active Rotary member, supporting its projects locally and internationally.

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Contributions	\$333,999
Support and Revenue	\$885,738
Total contributions	\$1,219,737
Scholarships/Awards	\$293,944
Special Events	\$80,278
Programs and Activities	\$212,228
Total expenses	\$586,450
Changes in net assets	\$633,287
Net assets, beginning of year	\$7,731,776
Net assets, end of year	\$8,365,063

Note: Funds raised by the MCCC Foundation are used for current students and earmarked for multi-year capital projects and endowments.

Unaudited figures. Audited reports available upon request.



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