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Community College Month

Mission

The mission of the Paul B. Sharar Foundation is to provide monetary and advisory support to Clinton Community College.

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Clinton Community College is celebrating Community College Month throughout April. Join us as we host an Open House in the new Science Addition on Friday, April 9.

The CCC Science Addition is a state-of-the-art 8,000 square foot facility which houses Chemistry and Physics labs, prep & storage areas and faculty offices. The addition was funded as part of the 2007 Eastern Iowa Community College District bond referendum totaling \$33 million.

Projects across EICCD will offer a better learning environment for students. Those projects include new science and technology additions to all three colleges, the opening of new satellite centers around the district including the new CCC Maquoketa Center, upgrades to current buildings and much more.



The design of the Science Addition was a collaboration between the design firm and CCC faculty. Their research involved traveling to other colleges, universities and industry to find the key elements for the best learning environment in the new labs. These elements include technology at the work stations and at the teaching station, internet access with electrical support, low-maintenance surfaces, handicap accessibility and plenty of storage. The new facility was built to silver LEED standards.

CCC President Karen Vickers commented, "We are so pleased to open this addition. Our faculty have helped to plan the space with our students' needs in mind- it is a great learning environment. We have begun planning for the renovation of our current science classrooms as well as our tutoring center. Once again our faculty have worked to provide input that will allow for great spaces for our students to work and learn."

Construction is complete!
Come see our new Science Addition
Open House
Friday, April 9, 2010
3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Summer Sessions

Spring is in the air which means that NOW is the time to register for summer classes at Clinton Community College. CCC is your best education value with our dozens of program options, experienced faculty, dedicated staff and NEW state-of-the-art Science Addition and CCC Maquoketa Center.

Call today at 563-244-7001 to schedule an appointment with an advisor. Or visit our web site at www.eicc.edu for more information.

May 17 – June 4 – Three-Week Summer Session

June 1 – July 26 – Summer Online Class Session

June 7 - July 9 – Summer Session I – Five-Weeks

June 7 – July 23 – Summer Session I – Seven-Weeks

June 7 – August 13 – Summer Session I – Ten-Weeks

July 12 – August 13 – Summer Session II – Five Weeks

See you this summer at CCC, truly a college for the community!

Advising Day for the 2010-11 academic year is April 13. For more information or to schedule an appointment with an advisor, contact CCC at 563-244-7001.



Community College Month Events

Science Addition Open House – Friday, April 9 – 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Science Addition entrance located on 11th Avenue South.

International Food Festival – Thursday, April 15 – YUMMMM!!! Be sure to visit from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the CCC Auditorium for tasty tidbits from around the world hosted by the International Diversity Committee.

Fine Arts Week - April 19 - 23 – Student artwork will be exhibited at the college throughout the week.

High School Fine Arts Day – Friday, April 23 – Area high school students will explore five different mediums of art during the 8th annual High School Fine Arts Day. Students will showcase their own artwork and compete for awards while attending workshops in drawing, painting, found object sculpture, printmaking and graphic arts. Two tuition awards are presented from the Paul B. Sharar Foundation.

Visiting Artist Series Continues – Clinton Community College completes the 2009-10 Visiting Artist season on April 22 with Quartet San Francisco, a classical crossover group which will perform at 7:00 p.m. at the CCC Technology Center, 1951 Manufacturing Drive, Clinton.

Sharar Scholarship Recipient/Donor Reception – 4:00 p.m. - Friday, April 30 – This is a favorite of students and donors as we introduce the Sharar Foundation scholarship recipients with the donors who generously fund the scholarships.



Connie Campbell Memorial Customer Service Award



Melanie Drury is the recipient of the 2010 Connie Campbell Memorial Customer Service Award. The annual recognition was first awarded in 2007.

The award was created in memory of CCC employee Connie Campbell of Camanche who passed away in June of 2006. The award honors a CCC employee whose work reflects that customer care that Connie demonstrated daily, going above and beyond to give excellent internal and external service. Drury serves as Bursar

at the college. In her role, she works with students as they pay tuition and schedule payment programs. She serves as chairperson of the Social Committee and is active on the Scholarship Committee.

The nomination for Drury stated her caring attitude towards students, the public and her co-workers. "I can't express enough how fortunate Clinton Community College is to have Melanie on 'the team.' She is thorough, communicative, friendly and caring. She is a wonderful ambassador for us."

Small Donations Add to Big Help

Small donations do add up to big help for people in need.

The deadly Haiti earthquake disaster marked the first big fund-raising test for collecting charitable gifts via text messaging. More than \$37 million was contributed through text messaging increments of \$5 or \$10 in the first three weeks after the disaster.

The Sharar Foundation accepts donations of any amount online at www.eicc.edu. Your donation can be used for scholarships, program funding, equipment needs or put to the greatest area of need.

Contact Ann Eisenman at 563-244-7040 or a Eisenman@eicc.edu for more information.

College Enrollment Explodes at CCC

Clinton Community College has set an all-time enrollment record with 1,855 students attending spring session classes,

The enrollment is the highest in the college's history for either its fall or spring sessions. It tops the previous record of 1,596 set this past fall and is a 35 percent increase compared to CCC's 2008 spring enrollment of 1,366. CCC's numbers are part of an overall spring session record for the entire Eastern Iowa Community College District which also includes Muscatine and Scott Community Colleges.

Iowa's community colleges are the largest post-secondary system in the state. The colleges enrolled 100,736 students for the fall 2009 semester. This represented a 14.3% increase from the previous fall.

CCC President Dr. Karen Vickers said there are many reasons for the record, with the college experiencing increases in every area. "We are so pleased so many students have elected to attend CCC. Like many, we are working in an environment where we have experienced budget cuts from the state. But, having said that, our staff has done a great job of meeting the needs of our students. Our faculty do an excellent job in the classroom working with students and our staff continue to provide wonderful services to the students. Our focus remains on our students!"

For more information about EICCD or any of its colleges go online to www.eicc.edu or call 1-888-336-3907.

Quick Facts

CCC Enrollment:

Fall 2009 – 1,596
Spring 2010 – 1,855

Iowa Community Colleges Enrollment –

Fall 2009 – 100,736 enrolled in credit programs
2008-09 – 289,098 enrolled in noncredit programs

Enrollment Breakdowns

Female - 55%/ male - 45%
Minority - 12%
Students over age 25 - 28%
Average age – 23 years

Other Iowa Community College Statistics

Adult Basic Education worked with 29,000 individuals.
260E and F Training assisted 11,994 workers.
82% of Community College graduates stay in Iowa.
93% of Community College students are Iowans.

Estate Tax for 2010

The Estate Tax lapsed for 2010 and with that Congress may have allowed for unintended consequences. Both the estate tax and generation-skipping transfer tax were repealed at the end of 2009. Both will return in 2011 at rates that applied 10 years earlier. There is still a gift tax if you give away more than \$1 million during your lifetime, with a tax rate reduced from 45 to 35 percent. Heirs will now use the original price paid for an asset when computing their tax liability, instead of the value upon the owner's death.

Estate planners expect Congress to pass retroactive legislation to restore the tax. Until that time, people can protect themselves by having organized and accurate records to show the cost basis of assets they might ultimately inherit.

- Review your will and living trust for wording that is vague. Make certain that the document reflects your intent.
- Confirm that you have a durable power of attorney. Without one, your family might have no choice but to ask a court to appoint a guardian to oversee your finances.
- Review beneficiary designation forms such as life insurance and retirement accounts to confirm they accurately state primary and alternate beneficiaries.
- Know the benefits of trusts, not just for tax saving, but for purposes such as holding money for minors or protecting assets.
- Leave a legacy for those you love or by making meaningful gifts to a charity such as the Paul B. Sharar Foundation for Clinton Community College. We are happy to assist in selecting an area to connect with your interests.

Contact the Paul B. Sharar Foundation at 563-244-7040.

Students

Stacy Kelley Named to All-Iowa Academic Team

Congratulations to Stacy Kelley, the Clinton Community College All-Iowa Academic Team selection. Ms. Kelly is among the Iowa Community College students named to the 2010 All-Iowa Academic Team, recently recognized at the All-Iowa Academic Team banquet in Des Moines.

Stacy was selected in recognition of her academic excellence. She will continue her education at the University of Iowa where she will pursue a Bachelor's of Arts Degree in Accounting.

CCC Dean of the College Ron Serpliss commented, "We are honored to have Stacy represent us as the Clinton Community College recipient for the All Iowa Academic Team. She is an excellent student and is involved on campus as well."

The application process includes academics, campus involvement, community activities and discussion and essay questions. The Academic Team is sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges, Phi Theta Kappa, and the USA Today, and recognizes some of the best and brightest community college students across the United States. All State Team members are recognized and honored at a dinner held in their honor in Des Moines, receive media recognition, medallions and certificates, and the opportunity for special scholarships when they transfer to four year institutions.



Phi Theta Kappa Induction - The Spring Phi Theta Kappa Induction ceremony of CCC students into the Alpha Theta Beta Chapter of International Phi Theta Kappa will be held on Wednesday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the CCC Technology Center, 1951 Manufacturing Drive, Clinton.

Phi Theta Kappa was established in Missouri in 1918 by the presidents of the 2-year colleges and became recognized by the American Association of Community Colleges in 1929 as the official honor society for two-year colleges. Today, PTK is the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 1.3 million members and 1,100 chapters located in the 50 United States, US territories, Canada,

Germany, and Japan. Membership is by invitation only. Students are required to have a 3.5 grade point average and completed a minimum of 12 hours before they receive an invitation to join.

Student Senate Legislative Conference

Clinton Community College students attended the 22nd Annual IACCT Student Legislative Seminar in Des Moines recently. Those attending with Student Senate Advisor Mardell Mommsen were Susan Reynolds, Criseanica Jones, Nick Obren and Kevin Goddard.

A total of 215 participants represented Iowa community colleges. Program highlights included:

- Welcome from M.J. Dolan, IACCT Executive Director
- Kathie Obradovich, Des Moines Register Political Columnist
- Joseph Walsh, Iowa Workforce Development
- Sethanne Degabriele, NIACC Director-Marketing, Community Relations & Governmental Affairs & Tracy Kruse, NICC Director of External Relations

The Clinton group met with local legislators Representative Polly Bukta, Senator Roger Stewart, Representative Steve Olsen, Representative Tom Schueller, and Senator Shawn Hamerlinck. CCC Student Susan Reynolds commented, "The seminar was an excellent opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of not only how our state government works, but also how it affects us as community college students. It's been an eye-opener for me in becoming more involved and aware of what our legislators are doing for our community."



Adopt R Campus(Noon)/Adopt A Highway(3:15 p.m.) – Monday, April 19, 2010 – Students will gather garbage on campus and along Highway 67 as part of this annual Spring spruce-up event.

Athletics

Cougars Volleyball Team Receives Accolades

Clinton Community College honored the Women's Volleyball and Men's Basketball teams at the Sports Banquet on Wednesday, March 31st. A review of the year and athletic awards were presented.

Keynote speaker was Ray Shovlain, a former Clintonian and a graduate of Clinton's St. Mary's High School, Coach Shovlain led his team to the 1975 Iowa State Championship while earning All-State honors. Shovlain is the athletic director, men's basketball coach and a business instructor at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa.

Shovlain has experienced tremendous success over the past 27 years achieving 509 victories and 15 20-win seasons over his stellar career. He is a past recipient of the Paul Maaske Memorial Award, an award given annually by the Iowa Basketball Coaches Association to the leading small college coach in the state.



Shovlain has also gained nationwide recognition as the activity director of the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP). He spoke of the importance of being a leader in the classroom as well as in the athletic arena and community.

The Clinton Community College Women's Volleyball Team was named a National Junior College Athletics Association (NJCAA) academic Team of the Year. Clinton Community College team G.P.A. is 3.30 and ranks in the top 25 in the nation and second in the state of Iowa.

Four members of the Cougars were named (Iowa Community College Athletics Conference) ICCAC All-academic All-region. To qualify to be all-academic all-region you must be a program monogram winner, be on an active degree track and maintain a G.P.A. of 3.00 or higher. Named to the first team was Amber Lorenzen, a sophomore from Goose Lake Iowa. Named to the second team was Ashley O'Neill, a sophomore from Wheatland, Iowa, Hannah Seibel, a sophomore from Eldridge, Iowa, Caitlin Wagemester, a freshman from Goose Lake, Iowa. Amber Lorenzen is nominated for Academic All-American with a 4.0 G.P.A.

CCC volleyball coach Joe Shovlain commented, "This is a great achievement for these young ladies. It is not easy to balance athletics, work and academics. These ladies are the great examples of the student athletes you should be reading about. I am very proud of them."

CCC President Karen Vickers shared the accolades, "We are all very proud of these student athletes! While they have represented CCC well in their sport, they have also made their class work a priority. College athletics takes a lot of time and effort- this is a great accomplishment. This group of students are wonderful role models for all our students."

Texas Hold'um Tourney

The Clinton Community College Student Networking and Programmers (S.N.A.P.) Club will be holding its Fifth Annual Texas Hold'um No-Limit Poker Tournament on Saturday, April 24, 2010. The tournament will be held at CCC Auditorium, 1000 Lincoln Blvd., Clinton.

The CCC S.N.A.P. Club is for all students in the Information Technology program or just interested in computers or the telecommunications field. The club's goal is to enhance the learning experience both in and out of the classroom. The club is self supporting and monies raised through this event will allow student to attend computer related conferences, expos, and seminars. The club also puts money back into the Information Technology program by donating funds for new and upgraded hardware in the computer lab.

Registration for the event begins at 9:00 A.M. in the college auditorium and game play will begin at 10:00. The entry fee is \$40.00 and is limited to the first 96 paid entrants. You must be 21 or older to play, photo ID is required. Pre-registration is encouraged and is on a first-come, first-serve basis so register early to ensure a seat.

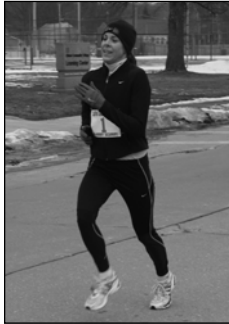
For more information about the tournament or the IT program at CCC contact Glenn Williams at Clinton Community College gwilliams@eicc.edu or 563-244-7135.

O n C a m p u s

2010 B-RRRY SCURRY

Sunny skies and 30 degree temperatures greeted the nearly 700 runners and walkers that braved the cold for the 29th annual Clinton Community College B-rrry Scurry 4 mile road race.

Winner of the female division was Jessica Langford of Rockford, IL in a time of 24:10. Jessica holds the B-rrry Scurry record of 23:21 set in 2009. Tyler Sullivan of Coralville repeated as male division winner in a time of 21:40. Bryan Glass of Geneseo holds the record of 20:15.



New for the 2010 race was a TECH shirt for all participants and disposable chip timing. Runners cross a timing pad at the start and finish of the race, and results are available on the internet almost instantly. Race Director Ann Eisenman raved, "Chip timing is great for our runners and the convenience of the disposable chips makes for a more streamlined event. A special thanks to the sponsors, dozens of volunteers and our B-rrry Scurry Race committee that put in hours of their time for a great event." Regarding race conditions, Eisenman commented, "Mother Nature was good to us today. A little wind reminds us that this is February in Iowa. Runners and walkers enjoyed that little push of wind at their back as they may their way into the finish."



In addition to the age-group awards, B-rrry Scurry also hosts a B-rrry Challenge to all businesses and organizations. The winners are determined by the number of people the respective organization has entered in the race. Winner of the Large Group (over 150 members) award was Mercy Medical Center – Clinton with 24 participants. In the Small Group Challenge (less than 150 members), the winner was the Rock River Road Runners with 35 entrants.

Volunteer of the Year honors was awarded to 12-year B-rrry Scurry race director Anne Schmidt for her years of service. The Clinton Community College Student Senate was awarded Sponsor of the Year.

Anne Schmidt directed the B-rrry Scurry race for the past 12 years. She brought the race into the age of technology including the use of chip timing and online registration. Through the years, Anne worked tirelessly to increase race participation and improved race awareness by adding the Volunteer Dinner and B-Ronda Bear. It was with her guidance that the race runs so smoothly. Her organization skills are the blueprint for race success. Anne now serves as Director of the Clinton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau and will be Honorary Race Starter for the 2010 B-rrry Scurry.

The Clinton Community College Student Senate has been a sponsor of the B-rrry Scurry since the race began in 1981. The Student Senate is well-represented on the B-rrry Scurry Committee. Members helped design a poster, collected door prizes and will work the water station on the route. Student Senate leader Mardell Mommsen, who marks her 30-year anniversary with the college in February, accepted the award along with senate members Stephany Brown and Jason Thomas.



For more information, contact Ann Eisenman at 563-244-7040 or aeisenman@eicc.edu.

Alumni Association Membership Form

Name _____ Maiden _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Yr. Graduated/Last Attended _____ Program _____

Highest Degree Earned (Any College) _____

Colleges Attended _____

Spouse's Name _____ Is Spouse an Alum? Y / N

Community Activities _____

Applying For Membership:

Annual (\$10)

Lifetime (\$100)

As a

Graduate

Former Student

Friend of the College

Payment is attached.

(Make checks payable to Clinton Community College Alumni Association.)

Please bill me.

Mail to: Clinton Community College Alumni Association, 1000 Lincoln Blvd., Clinton, Iowa 52732

Alumni Associate

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Mary Robinson, President of Ireland – April 13 – EICCD Viewpoint Series –7:30 p.m. Adler Theater, Davenport. As the first woman President of Ireland, Mary Robinson elevated the country to a new level of international status by fighting for controversial changes and bridging religious, social and economic groups. The first woman to chair the United Nations Commission for Human Rights, in 2005, Robinson was deemed a hero and an icon and was listed as one of Time's top 100 men and women whose "power, talent or moral example is transforming the world." Charge your tickets at 1-800-745-3000 or online at Ticketmaster.

Literacy Tutor Training

The Clinton Community College Literacy Program will hold a Tutor Training Workshop this spring on Monday, April 12th; Wednesday, April 14th and Thursday, April 15th in room 08 at the Clinton Community College Learning Center across from the main campus. The workshop is for any adult who wants to learn how to assist other adults with their reading skills.

After completing the 9 hours of instruction, the volunteer adult will be matched with a student and may meet with that student one or two hours a week. For more information, or to register, call (563)244-7100, or (888)336-3907.

Maquoketa Offerings

The CCC Maquoketa Center is offering continuing education classes from computers to painting.

- Search & Surf the Internet will be held on April 19 and 26 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- Artist Joey Kikke will lead a class of Watercolor Painting on Thursdays from April 1 to 22 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

For more information, contact the CCC Maquoketa Center at 563-652-5000.

BIG Service

Clinton Community College is pleased to introduce a new data service to the business community. The New Ventures Initiative (NVI), in partnership with the Eastern Iowa Community College District (EICCD), have launched the **Business Information for Growth (BIG)** service. This data-mining service provides business owners, entrepreneurs, economic development professionals, and students access to highly-sophisticated online databases to conduct research which will help identify new opportunities to grow and maximize business. The Business Information for Growth (BIG) system is now available at the Clinton Community College Tech Center.

Access to these databases is often cost-prohibitive for many businesses, however, the **BIG service is free of charge** and it takes only a brief training session to learn how to use the databases. After training, a person can do research using the dedicated computers located in the BIG Lab within the NewVentures Entrepreneurial Center (NVEC) in Davenport, Iowa, the McAvoy Business and Industry Center located in Muscatine, Iowa, or the Clinton Community College Technology Center in Clinton, Iowa. To schedule training, call (563) 327-0160.

ReferenceUSA - Individual Company Profiles of 14 million U.S. companies including location, type of business, business size, credit rating, phone/fax number, and executive name. Download key information into an Excel spreadsheet.

Hoovers Plus – Access to Hoover's database of 32 million public, non-public, **and** international companies, **as well as** industries **and** key people.

First Research – Industry Profiles - Provides industry sector analysis and research, industry trends, and industry statistics.

Acculeads – Consumer Data on over 136 million households in the United States.

DemographicsNow – Detailed Demographic Data providing you access to historic, current and projected U.S. Census data which can be mapped and viewed as a report.

YIPSE – An Intellectual Property Search Engine focused on finding technologies that are available for license or sale. For more information, call 563-244-7065 or contact jbeinke@eicc.edu or emyers@eicc.edu.

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Clinton Community College Alumni Association Trivia Night

Ten teams competed to be champions of the fifth annual Clinton Community College Alumni Association Trivia Night on Friday, January 22, 2010. Hosted by the CCC Alumni Association, proceeds benefit the four CCC Alumni Association scholarships.

The **Gitmo Smarts** team won the event. Members of Gitmo Smarts include Vicky Trager, Jaclyn Schantag, Eric Trager, Char Daehler, Cindy Hook, Dave Daehler, Marme LaShelle, and Bob Curley. **Wonder Who** took second place followed by Guardian Devils, One Hundred Dollars Richer, Cripple Creek, Space Cowboys, Two Shy, Low Expectations, PCF and Mechanical Bulls.

The Clinton Community College Alumni Association organized in October, 1981. The board is comprised of CCC graduates including President Teresa Lindstrom, Treasurer Jennifer Gutierrez, and board members Lou Behrend, Roger Burgess, Donna Current, Roxanne Otto, Marcia Larson, John Moreland and Anita Smith.



The CCC Alumni Association present four scholarships to CCC students each year. They are the Alumni Member scholarship, Alumni Endowed scholarship, the Alumni Recognition scholarship and the Connie Seifert Memorial Alumni Association Honor scholarship. Each year the CCC Alumni Association hosts events on campus such as the Student Leader Luncheon and the Outstanding Awards reception and presentations during graduation in May. For more information or to get involved in the CCC Alumni Association contact Ann Eisenman, 563-244-7040.

Student Leader Luncheon – April 16, 2010 – The Alumni Association annually recognizes students who show leadership in the classroom, on campus or in the community.

Outstanding Awards – May 11, 2010 – The Alumni Association honors those who have made outstanding contributions to Clinton Community College through the year as Outstanding Friend of the College, Graduate, Alum, Faculty/Staff, Business Partner, Volunteer.

CCCAA Cubs BB – June 10, 2010

See the Milwaukee Brewers vs. Chicago Cubs - \$65/person or \$60 if CCC student/staff/faculty/alum. Leave CCC at 6:45 a.m., tour Miller Brewery (10:30 a.m.), afternoon game (1:10 p.m.) and return to the CCC parking lot by 9:00 p.m. Call Ann Eisenman, 563-244-7040, for more information.

Oktoberfest 2010 – Friday, October 8 – Wild Rose Casino, Clinton, IA – Mark your calendar for this third annual event which features 30 beers plus delicious food, great music and unique items available through a Silent Auction.

