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Summer 2010

Mission

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

**Paul B. Sharar Foundation
for Clinton Community College**
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IMPACT – *Strong effect* - the powerful or dramatic effect that something or somebody has.

Your investment in the students and programs of Clinton Community College has huge **IMPACT** on the students, their families and our community.

Scholarships - More than \$140,000 of scholarships have been awarded for the coming academic year, and each dollar is a vote of confidence in our students. For many, scholarships provide the only option for funding an education. Those that contribute to the Sharar Foundation Scholarship program make an **IMPACT** with each dollar you donate.

There are other ways your contributions **IMPACT** lives here at CCC:

Emergency Book Fund - The Emergency Book Fund is essential for students without the means to purchase text books. Only with proper tools can a student be successful. In the past 5 years, the EBF use has increased from \$150 per year to nearly \$2,000 per year. Often serving as a loan for students, the EBF **IMPACT** is key to student success.

GED Tuition Voucher Program – Begun in 2003, the GED Tuition Voucher program **IMPACT** benefits the whole community. The program, a partnership between the Sharar Foundation and Eastern Iowa Community College District, awards each graduate of our GED Program a tuition voucher for 3-credit hours or similar value of coursework leading to immediate employment. In just 7 years, 78 GED graduates have enrolled as CCC students completing 1,638 credit hours. These students are raising the education level of our community, building a workforce for future employers and modeling the value of education in their families.

Student Success Sessions – New for 2010-11, the Student Development Department will offer Student Success Sessions designed to improve a student's understanding of what they need to do to be successful in college. Fifty new students are participating in the program which will follow the **IMPACT** of sessions such as Attendance & Involvement, Learning Styles, Study Skill/Habits, Time Management & Website Navigation.

Facilities Renovations – Teaching and learning is what we do at Clinton Community College and we are committed to do it well with our facilities and resources. Having an excellent environment for our students makes an **IMPACT** on their learning. Future projects of renovations to our Lecture Halls and a Library Enhancement project are both designed to support student success and workforce development in our community.

Contact the Sharar Foundation at 563-244-7040 to learn more about the **IMPACT** your contribution can make.

The Paul B. Sharar Foundation is a life-changing organization, just ask the 110 students who will receive nearly \$140,000 of scholarships for the coming academic year.

In my role as Board President, I am pleased to work with a group of 28 active members who are committed to providing advisory and monetary support to Clinton Community College. Together we encourage businesses and individuals to make a contribution to the college which will impact the life of a student, faculty member, and even the community through scholarships, staff development and facilities updates.

Clinton Community College is experiencing phenomenal growth in enrollment – 28% in Fall 2009 and 34% in Spring 2010 with a record number of 1855 students. Each and every one of our existing and new students represent what Clinton Community College is all about...a quality educational obtained in modern state-of-the-art facilities.

We are excited to see the physical improvements being made to our campuses. If you have not been on campus to see the new Science Addition or the new Maquoketa Center, visit soon. You will be impressed with the commitment to teaching and learning that is Clinton Community College.

*Bruce Christensen, President
Sharar Foundation Board of Directors*

C o l l e g e N e w s



Facilities Renovations Continue - Clinton Community College is alive with activity. Graduation was exciting, summer classes have begun and the dust has just settled from our new state-of-the-art Science Addition. With the completion of the new science labs and the CCC Maquoketa Center comes the start of several additional construction projects. Renovation has begun on the next phase of work at the main campus including renovation of existing Biology and Microbiology labs, the Skills Shop and the Business Services area.

Biology & Microbiology Labs - Our new science labs were updated to connect to the current labs through the preparation area. These two current labs will be refurbished for a better learning environment and more efficient

use of space. The science faculty has been instrumental in creating the layout that will provide the best experience for students. In addition, the current physics lab will become a standard classroom

Skills Shop - The Skills Shop is essential for many students as they earn their degree at CCC. Our instructors, tutors and students utilize this space for independent work, one-on-one assistance and group projects. Currently a large open space with study carrels and tables, the Skills Shop will be renovated to offer areas for different student needs. As with the other projects, faculty have worked to design the space with teaching and learning in mind.

Business Services - The third summer project will be the Business Services area renovation which will create a seamless flow for students enrolled at CCC. This area will incorporate the former bookstore and office space into the Business Office/Financial Aid department. The staff worked together to create a space that will be efficient for students as they take care of the financial aspect of their education.

CCC President Karen Vickers commented, "The renovation projects are great projects as they are helping us to update some highly used spaces at CCC. In completing the plans for each of the areas we have considered what is best for our students. The projects will improve not only our learning spaces but also service areas for our students. We are looking forward to an August end date for the projects and the start of the fall semester!"

The projects are all funded through the 2007 Bond Referendum approved by the voters of Eastern Iowa Community College District. The \$33 million referendum was for ten years and also includes the new access road at Scott Community College, science additions at Scott and Muscatine Community Colleges, enrollment centers, expansion and upgrades to existing facilities.

For more information about any of these projects, or for a tour of our new Science Addition, please contact CCC at 563-244-7001.

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Return to: The Paul B. Sharar Foundation, 1000 Lincoln Blvd., Clinton, IA 52732

The Paul B. Sharar Foundation

In Memoriam

Eastern Iowa Community College District is mourning the loss of retired Chancellor John Blong who died April 1 at the age of 66. Dr. Blong joined the district in 1978 and served as Chancellor for 18 years. The Blong Technology Center in Davenport is named in his honor.



BIG

Clinton Community College has introduced a new data service to the business community. The NewVentures 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 Technology 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**
- Acculeads – Consumer Data**
- Profiles Hoovers Hoovers Plus – Individual Company**
- DemographicsNow – Detailed Demographic Data**
- ProfilesFirst Research – Industry Profiles**
- YIPSE – An Intellectual Property Search Engine**

Congress Tries to Extend Charitable Tax Incentives

Congressional leaders announced they will unveil new legislation to extend through the end of 2010 various tax incentives for charitable donations, including gifts made by older people from individual retirement accounts.

The bill would also ease rules governing employer contributions to defined-benefit pension plans, a move that would offer relief to charities whose plans have suffered investment losses during the economic downturn. It would allow people age 70 1/2 and older to continue giving up to \$100,000 a year from their individual retirement accounts to charity without having to pay taxes on the distribution. It would also extend tax provisions to encourage donations of property, food inventory, books to public schools, and computer equipment for educational purposes. For more information, contact the Sharar Foundation or your tax preparer.

Staff Development Day

CCC Support Staff members experienced a Staff Development Day filled with a variety of activities including team building activities, an economic development tour of the area with Clinton Conventions and Visitors Bureau Director Anne Schmidt and personal introspection with CCC Maquoketa Center Facilitator Penny Plautz.



Athletics

Clinton Community College is pleased to announce that Scott Weston has been named the Head Coach of the women's volleyball team.

Coach Weston has an extensive volleyball background, most recently serving as the Assistant Volleyball Coach at Southeastern Community College. Prior to Southeastern, Scott was the Head Coach at Danville High School, Mid-Buchanan High School and Wathena High School. Coach Weston also served as the Director of the St. Joseph Spikers Club organization.

Scott works extensively with club volleyball organizations and directs many area camps for high schools, club teams and YMCA organizations. Coach Weston has also assisted with camps at Nebraska, Ohio State and Missouri Western State University

Weston graduated with a BS degree in Physical Education and Athletic Coaching from Missouri Western State University where he also served as a volunteer assistant volleyball coach for the Golden Griffons volleyball program. Scott and his wife Maureen are active in many volunteer activities including directing volleyball camps for youth. The Weston's and son Cody lead a very active lifestyle which includes running, lifting weights and participating in various sports.

CCC Athletics Director Joe Shovlain commented, "We are thrilled to have someone with Scott's background and knowledge of volleyball lead our program. Our players are dedicated student athletes and with his leadership, the CCC volleyball program will continue on the path of success."

The CCC volleyball season begins August 28. The annual CCC Athletics Tip-Off Event will be held in September. For more information, contact Joe Shovlain at 563-244-7001.



CCC Volleyball veteran **Amber Lorenzen** has been nominated as Academic All-American for her success in the classroom. A 4.0 student, Lorenzen will pursue a Nursing degree. CCC Athletics Director Joe Shovlain commented, "It has been a pleasure to have a student-athlete with the skills on the court and dedication in the classroom. The team has been recognized for two years for their academic achievements, and Amber is the team leader. She will have a very successful career, and we are proud to call her a CCC alum."

Join the Cougar Booster Club!

Athletics – supporting scholarships, equipment and recruitment of CCC sports - Women's Volleyball and Men's Basketball.

CCC Booster Club Membership

- Coaches Club – Gifts of \$1,000 or more
- Cougars Club – Gifts of \$500 - \$999
- Red Club – Gifts of \$250 - \$499
- Gold Club – Gifts of \$100 - \$249
- Player's Club – Gifts of up to \$100
- Game Sponsor – Be listed on the published schedule and receive an insert in the program for the selected game.

Call 563-244-7001 for more information.



2010 Cougar Volleyball Schedule

August			
28	Black Hawk Tournament	Moline, IL	TBA
31	Blackhawk East	Home	6:30 p.m.
September			
2	Sauk Valley CC	Home	7 p.m.
7	Blackhawk East	Kewanee, IL	7 p.m.
9	Carl Sanburg	Home	7 p.m.
11	Wabonsee CC/Tri Match	Sugar Grove, IL	TBA
15	Southwestern CC	Home	7 p.m.
18	SAU Invite	Davenport, IA	TBA
21	SAU JV	Davenport, IA	7 p.m.
23	Southeastern CC	West Burlington, IA	6:30 p.m.
28	Ashford JV	Clinton, IA	7 p.m.
30	Kirkwood	Home	7 p.m.
October			
5	DMACC	Boone, IA	6:30 p.m.
8	Blackhawk	Home	7 p.m.
13	NIACC	Home	7 p.m.
16	Sauk Valley	Dixon, IL	TBA
20	SAU JV	Home	7 p.m.
23	Blackhawk East Tourney	Kewanee, IL	TBA
27	Ashford JV	Home	7 p.m.
29	Cross Over Tourney	Marshalltown, IA	TBA
30	Cross Over Tourney	Marshalltown, IA	TBA
November			
2	Regionals	TBA	TBA
5	Regionals	TBA	TBA
6	Regionals	TBA	TBA

Home games played at Yourd Gymnasium, Clinton High School



Kudos to members of CCC Student Senate for their cleanup of Highway 67 near Camanche.

The Clinton Community College Graphic Design Club is raising funds to help with Haiti relief efforts. Student Jane Dunham's design features a white logo on black shirt.

The shirt is available in short (\$10) or long sleeves(\$12) in sizes from Adult Small to 3XL.

To purchase a shirt, contact Clinton Community College at 563-244-7001.



Sharar Foundation scholarship recipient **Carol McLaughlin** has taken a winding path as she earns her degree online at Clinton Community College. Working for the Peace Corp in Vanuatu, she is having an amazing life experience while developing the skills to us in her future career. According to Carol, "Vanuatu is a V shaped archipelago of islands located in the South West Pacific. Because of the countries small landmass, mapmakers often neglect to include Vanuatu in their renderings. As the government and people of Vanuatu prepare to celebrate its 30th year as an independent nation, Peace Corps volunteers are a welcome resource at a national and village level."

She explained her job and life, "During my service in Vanuatu my main project was working with the Chiefs and leaders in my village to increase the villages water and sanitation resources as well increase local management capacity through training and mentoring. The kids that I'm pictured with are my host sisters and brothers in Ekiye Village. Together with Peace Corps, Ekiye Village has successfully improved the health and lifestyle of their children. And, with the help of my village I now have an addition of over 350 mamas, papas, brothers and sisters to my family!"

VISITING ARTIST SERIES

Join us at Clinton Community College for the 2010-11 Visiting Artist season. This is the 37th year that CCC has offered these performances for the community as part of the Quad Cities Arts, a program that strives to make the program accessible to people of all walks of life, including students, seniors, and working people. The performance will be held at the CCC Technology Center, 1951 Manufacturing Drive, Clinton or the CCC Maquoketa Center, 501 West Washington Street, Maquoketa, and will begin at 7:00 p.m. All Visiting Artist performances are free to the public.



*Lage Lund
Guitar Trio
October 11, 2010
CCC Tech
Center*




*Alpin Hong
Pianist
November 29, 2010
CCC Maquoketa Cntr*

*Maia Quartet
March 7, 2011
CCC Tech
Center*



*Arlene
Malinowski
April 7, 2011
CCC Maquoketa
Cntr*



FALL CLASSES

Choose from our Arts & Science programs including Criminal Justice, Pre-Engineering, Education, Journalism, Aviation, or any of our 40+ programs. Thinking of a new career? Consider our Career Technical programs such as Administrative & Office Support, Graphic Design, Nursing, Mechatronics, Information Technology, Automotive Technology or Culinary Arts. Fall term begins August 30 and ends December 21.

Contact Cheryl Tack at 563-24407007 for more information about our programs.



CLINTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE ANNOUNCES

A NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY!

Beginning August 2010, St. Ambrose will offer courses in Clinton for students who have an associate's (AA) degree and are interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree. These business courses will be taught one night per week for 5- or 8-weeks, allowing adults to focus on one class at a time.

Many students are looking for an opportunity to take their education to the next level, but uncomfortable with the online course formats; this program is geared to meet that expectation. The classes in Clinton will be geared toward adults who are working full-time jobs, and the discussions will offer real-world experiences from the community.

Be sure to check out the Web site at www.sau.edu/clinton for information on schedules, course rotations, and to find the program application. Admissions and advising staff from St. Ambrose University would be happy to set up a personal and convenient time to visit with you. Please contact the St. Ambrose University office at 563-441-9500 or accel@sau.edu if you'd like additional information.

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)
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- 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

CLINTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE – A GREAT PLACE TO START... A GREAT PLACE TO FINISH!

Congratulations to the 2010 GED Graduates!

One hundred students completed the GED program during the year and many of those celebrated at the GED Graduation ceremony in June. Speakers for the graduation ceremony included Karen Roeuck and students Diamon Williams and De'Andre White. Sandra Kyarsgaard received the Clinton Kiwanis GED Scholarship from club representative John Moreland.



Clinton Community College offers the GED through the Adult Basic Education classes at the CCC Learning Center, 941 Lincoln Blvd, Clinton, and in Maquoketa at the new CCC Maquoketa Center, 501 West Washington Street, and Maquoketa High School.

The GED program provides individuals who did not graduate from high school an opportunity to earn their diplomas. To do so, the graduates are required to successfully pass five different state approved tests in Language Arts Writing, Social Studies, Science, Language Arts Reading, and Math. Minimum scores are required for each test area as well as an overall minimum average score. Completing the tests requires weeks, sometimes months of dedicated study.

The CCC Learning Center hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and Monday, Tuesday, Thursday evenings from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. Maquoketa GED class hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the CCC-Maquoketa Center, and Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in Maquoketa High School Room 207.

For more information, contact Jim Schneider at Clinton Community College – 563-244-7001.



Congratulations to CCC graduates recognized for their academic achievement at the 2010 Honor Cording ceremony.



Jane Campagna accepts a retirement gift from CCC President Karen Vickers.



CCC Alum Erin Tiesman and Andy enjoy the annual CCC Alumni Association Cubs baseball bus trip to Milwaukee to see the Cubs play the Brewers on June 10. Though the Brewers won in extra innings, the trip was a winner with a pre-game tour of the Miller Brewery.

To get on the mailing list for future bus trips, contact the Alumni Association at 563-244-7040.

OUTSTANDING!!!

Congratulations to the 2010 Clinton Community College Outstanding Awards Recipients.

The 2010 **Outstanding Graduate Doug Houzenga** is a regular on the Deans' List, serves as president of the Phi Theta Kappa honorary society and has been a Peer Tutor since the spring of 2008. In addition, he was instrumental in spearheading several food pantry and humane society drives during his time at CCC.

He is truly an outstanding graduate.

Outstanding Alumnus Brad Seward has been a speaker at CCC events, and has been the voice of CCC Volleyball and Basketball. He credits CCC in paving the way for his career as Executive Director of the Clinton County Solid Waste Agency. A 1999 CCC grad, Brad earned degrees in Liberal Arts and Journalism from Iowa State University. He has been a radio broadcaster until recently accepting his current position, which includes administering the agency and being an educator about the environment.

Outstanding Faculty/Staff member Peggy Thoms is organized, hard working, and makes class interesting. She is also a very busy person, teaching an ICN class at 7:00 a.m. from Bellevue High School then heading to the main campus for a full day of courses. Peggy has the respect of her students and coworkers, and the reputation of being a very hard worker. Peggy serves on the Professional Development Council and administered the CAAP tests in Clinton for several years.

The **2010 Outstanding Volunteers are Kathy Birkett, Deb & Jerry Richter, and Joe Lindemann**, the team that designed the landscaping at the CCC Learning Center. The landscaping project included the removal of the overgrown bushes, design of the landscaping, contacting the Bickelhaupt Arboretum for assistance from Master Gardeners, ordering of the new ornamental grasses & perennials, and the implementation of the plan during a long Saturday in the fall. The final result is outstanding.

The **2010 Outstanding Business Associate is Corner Deli & Ice Cream Shop**. For many years, the Corner Deli has been a source of breakfast, lunch and assorted comfort foods for CCC students. As the college caterer, Celeste and her staff – Sue & Barb – provide nutritious alternatives to vending machine fare. In addition to their yummy presence in the Cafeteria, Corner Deli offers catering for events.

New for 2010 are awards for **Outstanding Service to the Community**, created to honor the contributions made to our community. **Iowa Senator Roger Stewart and Representative Polly Bukta** have been aware of the issues and concerns of Iowa's community colleges. They have listened and represented CCC. Both have taken time to meet with our students – on campus and in Des Moines when students have attended the legislative conference. Whether in a legislative meeting, in the halls of the capital, or speaking at a Leadership Luncheon for our students, they have shared of their experiences and of themselves.

Congratulations to all of the 2010 Outstanding Awards recipients. We thank you for your contributions to Clinton Community College!



Row 1 – Deb Richter, Kathy Birkett, Barb, Sue & Celeste from the Corner Deli, Teresa Lindstrom

Row 2 – Roger Stewart, Peggy Thoms, Doug Houzenga, Joe Lindemann

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