

PRESIDENT'S REPORT | April 2015











A closeup view shows a disc and basket on the expansive nine-hole disc golf course at the new College Meadows Park. The park is a joint development and partnership between St. Charles County Parks and SCC.

AN EXPANSION ON FUN AND FITNESS

St. Charles County Parks and SCC host grand opening celebration of College Meadows Park; land includes new disc golf course

College Meadows Park, an 80-acre park development, was dedicated during a ribboncutting ceremony on Monday, April 20. The St. Charles County Parks and Recreation Department hosted the grand opening of its 11th regional park, which is located on St. Charles Community College's campus.

The new park is located near the west entrance of the campus. Citizens of all ages were invited to attend and explore the new fitness trail and nine-hole disc golf course and participate in a disc-throwing contest for an opportunity to win a free park cabin rental.

"College Meadows Park is conveniently located near the heart of St. Charles County and is designed to accommodate citizens of all ages and abilities," said Bettie Yahn-Kramer, St. Charles County parks director.

The park's fitness trail connects with nearby greenways and schools. The trail encompasses 10 exercise stations and a fitness



A new sign along the campus loop road marks the entrance to College Meadows Park. The park was dedicated on April 20.

machine that's accessible for wheelchairs. The nine-hole disc golf course features concrete tee pads and professional Mach V Disc Golf Baskets that weave through the park's scenic meadows.

College Meadows Park is a joint partnership between the St. Charles County Parks Department and SCC. Through the agreement, SCC owns the property and the Parks Department will manage the park through a 20-year renewable lease for up to a maximum of 60 years.





SCC students Samantha Schoonover (top photo, center) and Jennifer Kennedy (bottom photo, center) were named to the All-Missouri Academic Team at a ceremony hosted by MCCA. President Ron Chesbrough and SCC Phi Theta Kappa Advisor Christy Gant were present to support the student award recipients.

SCC professor and students recognized for excellence by MCCA

SCC faculty and students were recognized in April by the Missouri Community College Association for academic excellence in the classroom.

Andrea Compton, associate professor of business technology, received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. The award, which was presented by the Missouri Community College Association at a ceremony in Holts Summit, is given to the top community college teachers in the state each year. The Excellence in Teaching award includes a proclamation from Missouri Governor Jay Nixon.

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Andrea Compton, SCC associate professor of business technology, is a recipient of the 2015 Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. SCC President Ron Chesbrough represented the college at the April 8 ceremony.

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Academic Team, an honor bestowed on the state's top community college students.

Kennedy is a psychology major who plans to earn a doctorate in psychology and work within her field. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the Student Senate and the Book Club. Honors she has received include PTK 5 Star and the Dean's List.

Schoonover is also a psychology major who plans to transfer to Lindenwood University and pursue child psychology. She is an officer of Phi Theta Kappa and the Book Club. She is on the Dean's List and is also a PTK 5 Star member.

Each student received a scholarship made possible by a donation from MOHELA, the state's not-for-profit secondary market lender and servicer in the student loan industry.

SCC to host free community Job Fair on May 1

SCC will host Job Fair 2015 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, May 1, in the College Center. Admission is free to all job seekers.

This fair provides opportunities for job seekers to find job leads, job training and job search information and networking opportunities. Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of their resume.

"Job Fair 2015 is a great opportunity for students to put themselves out there and see what jobs are available," said Martha Toebeen, SCC career services manager. "The Job Fair also provides employers the opportunity to access all the best job candidates in the area – both SCC students and non-students alike."

The annual event is sponsored by three cooperating St. Charles County agencies and institutions. Last year, more than 543 area job seekers attended the event.

For details, visit stchas.edu/jobfair.

SCC PBL Chapter scores several awards at regional conference in April

Members of SCC's Phi Beta Lambda business student organization came home from the PBL State Leadership Conference with more than a handful of awards.

Also taking home accolades was Andrea Compton, PBL advisor and associate professor of business technology. Compton was awarded the Missouri FBLA-PBL Advisor of the Year.

Maria Pizzo, SCC sophomore, received the Executive Level Career and Membership Award Program Award which focuses on developing job interview skills, state and national PBL involvement, public relations activities and leadership skills.

Pizzo was elected the new Missouri Phi Beta Lambda president, a role she will fulfill



SCC's Phi Beta Lambda student business organization took home several chapter and individual awards at the State Leadership Conference held April 11 in Springfield, Mo.

when she transfers in the fall to Southeast Missouri State University.

The chapter received the Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit. Of the 18 members who competed, 14 placed in at least one of their events, and nine students are headed to the National Leadership Conference to be held June 24-27 in Chicago.

PBL STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AWARDS LIST

- 1st place in Business Ethics Maria Pizzo, Kevin Gajdos, and Joey Gallagher
- 1st place in Desktop Publishing Muhammad Farhan Ullah Babar and Elena Huffman
- 2nd place in Microeconomics Kevin Gajdos
- 2nd place in Justice Administration Doug Moore
- 2nd place in Computer Concepts Muhammad Farhan Ullah Babar
- 2nd place in Business Law Anna Richter and Amanda Messner
- 3rd place in Hospitality Management Joey Gallagher
- 3rd place in Human Resource Management Doug Moore
- 3rd place in International Business Arturo Merizalde
- 4th place in Sales Presentation Maria Pizzo
- 4th place Business Presentation Elena Huffman and Hannah Ellerbrook
- 5th place in Marketing Analysis and Decision Making Debo Adegunle and Thomas Schulte
- 5th place in Public Speaking George Polette
- 5th place in Computer Applications Maddi Clyne
- 5th place in Contemporary Sports Issues Debo Adegunle

Bike sharing program provides wellness options to faculty, staff

Faculty and staff who want to take advantage of new trails on campus have a new option.

Wellness funds from Cigna afforded the purchase of bicycles and helmets so SCC team members can hop on a bike during a lunch, a break or after work.

Bikes will be loaned free of charge to SCC faculty and staff, with easy check in and out in at the HR office (ADM 1204) 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Options may soon be available for after-hours check out through staff members in the LRC. If feedback and usage is great, then HR will plan to purchase more.



Members of SCC's Housekeeping Department take advantage of a spring day to try out the new bikes.

Paint-a-Planter activity supports academics at SCC, brightens grounds

SCC faculty, staff and student body participated in the grounds department's Paint a Planter activity and spent two weeks painting planters that beautify the campus and promote academic programs, student clubs and other campus related activities.

Dan Porter, grounds supervisor, came up with the idea and was able to execute it with the help of SCC's art department.

"Kathleen Sanker, art professor, and Brian Alich, art technician, put forth the effort of the proposal, tracking and recruitment for Paint a Planter," said Dan Porter. "This was no small task, and they put in a lot of effort and extra time on this project. They have also been working with me in other ways to incorporate art on campus."

Kelly Paladin, graphic designer at SCC, participated in the event. "Our campus is



Aimee Sagaser, graphic designer in the SCC Marketing & Communications Department, covers a campus planter in black chalk paint. "My idea is that it becomes an interactive board for uplifting or fun messages," she said.

already beautiful – the Paint-a-Planter activity brings a new kind of character to campus by getting faculty, staff and students involved in its beautification. I enjoyed getting

RHYTHM & RIBS IS JUNE 4 — Tickets for Rhythm & Ribs, an evening of ribs and music benefiting student scholarships, are now on sale. The June 4 block party will feature a new music headliner — Dr. Zhivegas. Also included in the lineup are the SCC Jazz Big Band, SCC Idol Deja Edwards and Matt Wynn.

For tickets, visit *www.rhythm-and-ribs.com*. For more information about the event, contact Tara at 636-922-8437.

News & Notes – Emerson Climate Technologies recently made a gift of \$11,000 to support the Achieving Success in College Math program

• SCC has been included as a beneficiary of a planned gift of \$40,000 to establish a scholarship endowment.

to think outside the box and putting together a design that will brighten our campus a little bit more," Paladin said.

Dan Porter believes this was a great way to start supporting and promoting the academics on campus.

The grounds department is currently working with the art department to have the community create art on campus. They are also working with the biology department on getting students outside to utilize the campus' resources for tangible, reallife models for ecology and biology classes.

"Next, I plan on reaching out to the science department about incorporating a weather station on campus and see what ideas they have that the grounds department can support."

For more information on the Paint-a-Planter activity, contact Dan Porter at *dporter@stchas.edu* or 636-922-8480.

• A gift was made to establish The Kurtis J. and Callie J. Daniels Endowment

• Three new Foundation Board members were voted in at the April meeting:

 – Graham Fisher, retired chief scientist of SunEdison Semiconductor

- Kurt Schnagl, director of finance at UPS

 Lisle Wescott, president of SSM St. Joseph Hospital West

• The Bitney Family increased the Dewey Memorial Scholarship from \$1,500 to \$2,500 providing five students with scholarship (up from three scholarships)

• Cottleville Weldon Spring Rotary increased from their gift \$500 to \$1,000 providing scholarships to two students (up from one scholarship)

MARK THE CALENDAR

SCC Juried Art Exhibition | April 20-May 3 | FAB Gallery and Annex, FAB 106

Student Music Recital | April 22 | noon | FAB Room 18

Rhinoceros | April 22-26 | 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, April 22-23; 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 24-25; and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 26. | FAB theater

One Nation, Indivisible | April 23 | 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. SSB auditorium

SCC Coffeehouse | April 23 | 7-9 p.m. | SSB Student Lounge That '80s Run | April 25 | 7:30 a.m. | Green Parking Lot Spring Fling | April 29-30 | 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Outside Student Center

Between the Covers Book Club Meeting | April 29 2:30 p.m. | LRC Info Commons

Community Sit-In Movie: TBD | May 1 | 8 p.m. Technology Building Lawn

Test Success | May 4 | noon | Student Center Private Dining Room

SCC Band Concert | May 4 | 8 p.m. | FAB Theater SCC Singers | May 5 | 8 p.m. | FAB Theater

SCC Jazz Band Concert | May 6 | 8 p.m. | FAB Theater SCC Orchestra Concert | May 7 | 8 p.m. | FAB Theater

Sophomore Music Recital | May 8 | 8 p.m. | FAB Theater

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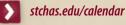
Community Sit-In Movie: TBD | May 12 5 p.m. | Technology Building Lawn

SCC Show Choir Concert – Matinee | May 13 11 a.m. | FAB Theater

Finals Week Fun | May 11-15 | 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. | Student Activities

SCC Show Choir Concert | May 14-15 | 8 p.m. FAB Theater

Commencement | May 16 | 10 a.m. College Center



FOUNDATION UPDATES

