# SCC 444 ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT | January 2016









#### SCC HOSTS MISSOURI LEGISLATOR BREAKFAST





SCC welcomed seven Missouri state legislators to campus Jan. 8 to learn about recent college initiatives and the current legislative agenda as put forward by the Missouri Community College Assocation. Legislators heard presentations from Kasey McKee, vice president for college advancement and planning; Todd Galbierz, vice president for administrative services; Rex McKanry, assistant professor (top); Amanda Sizemore, dean of corporate and community development (left); Rob Dixon, president and CEO of MCCA; and Maria Pizzo, SCC alumna.

## SCC named recipient of Chamber's Community Servant Award

The O'Fallon Chamber honored SCC as their 2015 Community Servant of the Year at their annual December luncheon awards event.

The Chamber noted that SCC "provides an excellent, yet affordable post-high school education for more than 10,000 students from our region. In 2014-2015 alone, SCC Workforce Development Department served more than 33,000 participants and helped 26 companies gain access to \$300,000 in Missouri customized training funds. SCC has taken a primary leadership role I connecting business and industry with all of the major high schools in St. Charles County to provide job shadowing and mentoring opportunities for students."

In addition to the Community Servant of the Year Award, presentations were made in the categories of Small Business of the Year, Business of the Year, Large Business of the Year and Sue Proost Person of the Year. Each year the Chamber solicits nominations among its members for businesses and people who have gone above and beyond to make O'Fallon and St. Charles County a better place to do business.

"I was proud to accept the award on behalf of the college and the Board," said

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Students benefit from an array of classes offered by SCC through the Adult Education and Literacy Program including English Language Acquisition classes (top) and High School Equivalency courses (bottom).

#### **AEL Program receives DESE bonus**

The SCC Adult Education and Literacy Program (AEL) was recently awarded a monetary bonus of \$22,500 from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as a result of exemplary performance for the fiscal year 2015.

SCC's AEL program provides services in four counties — St. Charles, Lincoln, Warren and Pike. The program offers High School Equivalency and English Language Acquisition classes on campus five days and four nights a week and provides classes at 10 off-campus locations.

"Even with our external funds from DESE, our AEL Department could not provide the high-quality student services without SCC's in-kind contributions to our program," said Mandy Rose, associate dean of AEL.

The collaborative efforts between St. Charles Community College and its AEL program aids in success of student retention and progression, completion of HSE requirements, increased employment placement and improved post-secondary placement.

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SCC President Dr. Ron Chesbrough accepts the Community Servant of the Year award on behalf of the college and the Board.

Dr. Ron Chesbrough, SCC president. "Along with a beautiful glass trophy we received a proclamation from St. Charles County Executive Steve Ehlmann, resolutions from the Missouri House and Senate, and a letter of congratulations from U.S. Congressman Blaine Luetkemeyer."

#### 2016-17 scholarship deadline is March 1

The deadline to apply for more than \$175,000 in scholarships to SCC is set for Tuesday, March 1. Students can fill out just one application packet to apply for Foundation and Board of Trustee scholarships for the 2016-17 academic year. Eligibility is determined on specific award criteria.

"SCC scholarships are awarded to students for more than just excellent academic achievement. They are one of the ways SCC helps make college a reality and helps our students succeed," said Kathy Brockgreitens, dean of enrollment services.

Application packets can be found at *stchas.edu/scholarships*, outside the auditorium of the Daniel J. Conoyer Social Sciences Building or in the Enrollment Services Department in Administration Building, Room 1113. They are due by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, 2016, to Enrollment Services in ADM 1113.

For more information, contact Tara Cochran at tcochran@stchas.edu or 636-922-8437.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Health Insurance 101 | Jan. 27 | noon | SSB Back to School BINGO | Jan. 27 | noon | Student Center, Scooter's Place ACA Enrollment Days | Jan. 27-28 | 12:30-5 p.m.; 9 a.m.-4 p.m. | SSB auditorium MFA Invitational | Feb. 1-26 | FAB theater Comedy Night | Feb. 6 | 7 p.m. | FAB theater Lunchtime Trivia | Feb. 11 | 11:30 a.m. | Scooter's

Place

# SCC and Fontbonne sign MIS, computer science and cyber security articulation agreements

Officials from Fontbonne University and SCC signed articulation agreements recently to promote a seamless transfer for SCC computer science students.

The agreement provides students who have earned an Associate of Science degree in programming at SCC the opportunity to complete a bachelor's degree in cyber security, computer science or management information systems at Fontbonne University.



# New Foundation event,

CHOMP, to debut May 21

New this year, the SCC Foundation will bring its Rhythm & Ribs fundraiser together

bring its Rhythm & Ribs fundraiser together with the successful Food Truck Frolic and Family Movie Night series, partnering with the Cottleville-Weldon Spring Chamber of Commerce. A new event, the CHOMP Regional Food Truck, Music and Film Festival, rolls out Saturday, May 21. It kicks off the full 2016 series of Food Truck Frolic and Family Movie Nights, set for Friday, June 24; Friday, July 22; Friday, Aug. 26; and Friday, Sept. 23. These combined events will take the place of Rhythm & Ribs in 2016.

CHOMP will include up to 50 food trucks from throughout the Midwest competing for prizes, five bands from noon to 9 p.m., including headliner Dr. Zhivegas from 7:30-9 p.m., and 50-plus arts and other vendors on the Blue Parking Lot. There is no cover charge. VIP tickets will go on sale March 1. A family movie night hosted in partnership with Student Activities will complete the evening at 9 p.m.

Our community benefits! The proceeds will benefit both the Cottleville-Weldon Spring Chamber of Commerce and the SCC Foundation, supporting much-needed scholarships for college students, as well as academic and program enhancements for the college.

For more information contact Peggy Schnardthorst, pschnardthorst@stchas.edu or visit www.foodtruckfrolic.com.

Fontbonne University will accept up to 64 credits from SCC. Courses will transfer according to a designated academic plan for each area of interest being pursued based on the inherent flexibility in SCC's new Associate of Science programs in computer science. These programs are designed to provide a more direct line for students, academically, to upperlevel courses through flexible course selection based on the four-year partner school requirements. Students who transfer under this agreement and meet its requirements will enter Fontbonne University at junior status.

For more information, visit *stchas.edu* or contact Rex McKanry at rmckanry@stchas.edu or 636-922-8289.

#### **FOUNDATION NEWS & NOTES**

The SCC Foundation Board again met its goal for achieving **100 percent giving** in 2015 from its board members, with gifts coming either personally or their organizations. Together they raised more than \$77,000.

**ESP Trivia Night** will be held Friday, Feb. 26. Doors open at 6 p.m. Trivia starts at 7 p.m. To purchase a table visit *stchas.edu/trivia*.

The SCC Foundation Board Mini-Grant **Committee** awarded \$15,000 for projects and programs proposed by SCC faculty and staff. ACE Tutoring Center: Anatomical Models Needed to Support Learning for Anatomy and Physiology Students, \$431.50; Adult Education & Literacy Department: Enhanced Language Acquisition Web-Based Software, \$1,340; Career Services/Student Activities: Panache That Pays Etiquette Luncheon 2016, \$500; Continuing Education: Portable Dance Floor for Young People's Theatre, \$1,900; English Department: English Department Literary Journal Library, \$302.95; The Gateway Review: A Literary Journal, \$710; Enrollment Services: Financial Literacy Money Booth, \$600; Math Department: Achieving Success in College Math, \$825; Nursing and Allied Health: Purchase Current Version of TABE Test, \$282.95; Psychology Program: Brain Week Posters, \$414.40; Science Department: Science Department Vernier LabQuest 2 System, \$2,303; Speech/Communications **Program:** Health Communications Guest Speaker for COM Week, \$300; Students: Phi Beta Lambda State Leadership Conference, \$2,300; Workforce Development Department: Auto-darkening Welding Helmets, \$490.02; Scholarship for Certified Production Technician (CPT) and Welding Classes, \$2,300.

A private donor additionally funded four projects totaling more than \$5,000: Chemistry Department: Chemistry Demonstration Kit, \$2,200; pH Meters and Electrodes for Chemistry, \$1,772.80; Student Molecular Model Kits for Chemistry Lab, \$850.85; Nursing and Allied Health: Hydraulic Patient Lift, \$384.94.