

ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – February 2018



SCC student gets taste of sweet success in NYC

Nate Wheadon's first semester at SCC kicked off with a trip to New York, where he competed in the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE) National Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge and won the title of runner up, along with \$5,000.

"I was involved in the NFTE program my senior year of high school at McCluer North," said Nate. "I came up with a business idea, made a business pitch and plan and entered into the competition through my involvement with the program."

Nate went on to win the semi-regional finals and regional finals, which qualified him for the national competition in New York, where he placed second out of 44 finalists.

What was his award-winning idea you ask? Fudge.

"I've been working on the Fudged UP! business since April 2017. It is a business that



I originated from a family recipe that we make during the holidays."

Nate came up with the concept after realizing that among food spread options, there were no organic or all-natural options. He decided to create a variation of his family's recipe, an organic fudge spread, which has 30 percent less sugar than Nutella.

"I created a variety of flavors because I wanted my product to be like the Ben and Jerry's of food spreads, having fun and creative flavor options."

When it comes to his award money, Nate is honest with his plans for it.

"I'm not sure about the future of Fudged UP! I may try to license my product and sell it in stores, or I may use the money to fund different business ideas."

As for his future, Nate has big plans.

"I hope to get a scholarship to Babson College in Massachusetts and major in entrepreneurship and marketing. Down the road I hope to own many successful businesses that solve problems and create social value."

Medical Assisting program set for fall roll-out

The Medical Assisting Certificate of Achievement Program received MDHE and HLC final approval in November, and SCC officially launched the program this spring. The college's first cohort began taking a medical assisting class in January. Students from this cohort started general education classes in fall of 2017 and will complete their certificate in fall 2018.

"We added this certificate program, because there is a critical industry need," said Debora Schultz, health information

management adjunct faculty member. "We had hospitals reaching out to us asking for help. Even though the program is in its infancy, we're already working with these hospitals to line up internships for our medical assisting students."

Medical assisting students will learn to support doctors and hospitals with office work, prepping patients to see the doctor, scheduling, billing, giving immunizations, drawing blood and more.



SCC Food Services achieves perfect mark

On Feb. 5, the college received a score of 100 percent on its Health Department – Food Establishment Inspection at the Café-Bookstore location. Congratulations to the Food Services and Bookstore staff for another job well done!

SCC celebrates Black History Month

SCC is hosting a series of events in honor of Black History Month. The events include films, panels, a lunchtime musician, soul food and more. These events are sponsored by SCC's Multicultural and Global Awareness Committee and the African American Faculty and Staff Association (AAFSA).

Events still to come include a panel discussion on "Divine Nine: Why I Joined a Black Fraternity/Sorority," which will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, in the Student Center, Room 205. Black Panther will be screened at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26, at Marcus Theatres at Mid Rivers Mall. The Book Club will discuss "The Mothers" by Brit Bennet at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27, in the LRC information commons.

For more information on SCC's Black History Month events, contact Mandi Smith at 636-922-8469 or asmith@stchas.edu; or Julia Wilbers at 636-922-8450 or jwilbers@stchas.edu.



Denise McCracken (center), professor of foreign language, is joined by Mara Vorachek-Warren, dean of arts, humanities and social sciences (left), and Dr. Barbara Kavalier, SCC president.

McCracken receives 30-year SCC service recognition

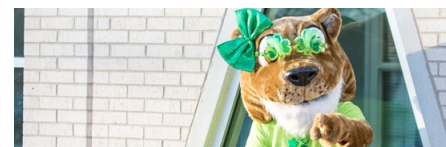
Denise McCracken, SCC foreign language professor, was recognized for 30 years of service at St. Charles Community College. She stopped by the President's Office on Jan. 25 to receive her award after being unable to attend the Service Recognition Luncheon on Jan. 9.

McCracken was one of a small handful of faculty and staff who were recognized for the achievement – the first group of SCC employees ever to reach the 30-year plateau.

FOUNDATION UPDATE

SCC Foundation launches online scholarship application

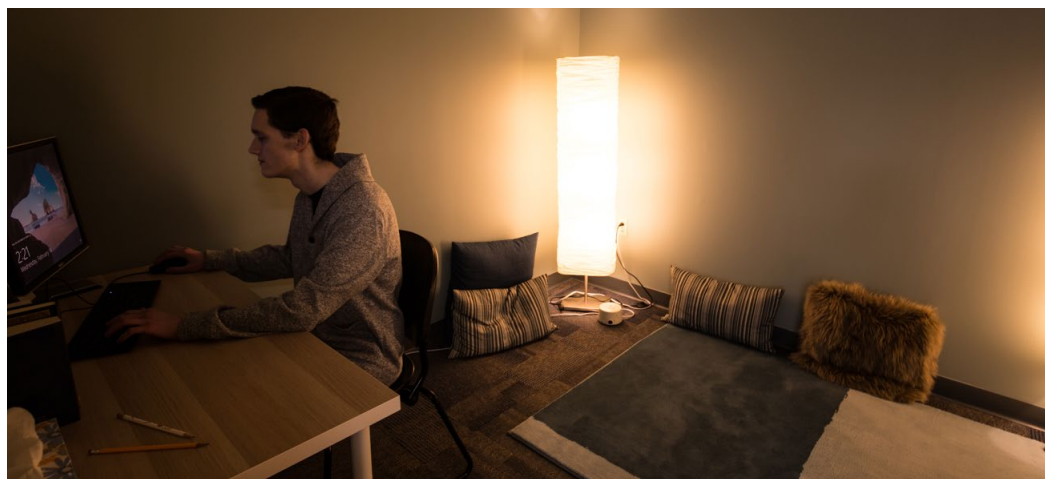
Students may now apply for scholarships online, thanks to new software being utilized by the SCC Foundation. Only one application is needed to apply for more than \$185,000 in scholarships through the SCC Foundation and Board of Trustees. Scholarship applications are due March 1.



On St. Patrick's Day, SCC alumni and friends are invited to a special breakfast (\$10 per adult) with SCC and Cottleville city leadership.

New SCC Alumni Association poised for expansion this spring

The Alumni Association is now open. It is easy to join and there is no cost. The Alumni Association is led by the Alumni Council, a proud group of Alumni leaders, and is a part of the SCC Foundation. Learn more at stchas.edu/alumni.



The stressless room in Administration Building Room 1123 offers a quiet space to focus, unwind and quietly work.

Open house for Personal Counseling and Support Center shows how SCC is geared to help students

The Personal Counseling and Support Center office, located in Administration Building Room 1123, held an open house for faculty and staff on Jan. 31. Attendees met the new counseling intern, took a peek at the "stressless" room and enjoyed snacks and conversation with co-workers and friends.

Attendees were also asked to bring a personal-care product with them to help stock the emergency student needs collection in ADM 1123.

"It was a great opportunity to show faculty and staff on campus what we have to offer students,"

said Kelley Pfeiffer, director of student life.

"We are a high traffic office, but we have some features that some may not have seen yet, like the stressless room. It's a lot easier for faculty and staff to refer students to a resource when they have experienced it first-hand."

The open house was part of a series of department/division open houses encouraged by Human Resources that offer an opportunity for faculty and staff to learn about the different functions and services across campus.

SCC announces new director of online learning, director of administrative computing

SCC filled two director positions in January – the director of online learning and the director of administrative computing.

SCC announced Andrea Compton as the college's new director of online learning. Andrea began her tenure at SCC in fall 2006 as a full-time faculty member. Prior to this, she taught in the Business and Marketing Education Department at Middle Tennessee State University.

Compton has also held positions at Nashville State Tech Community College and Volunteer State Community College. Compton has a master's degree in business education from Middle Tennessee State University and a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in music business from Belmont University.

SCC also welcomed Don Popham as director for administrative computing. Popham comes to SCC from Thomson Reuters where he served for more than 10 years in various positions including lead systems engineer, manager, supervisor and systems engineer. Popham holds a Master of Science degree from the University of Arizona in management information systems and graduate certificates in business intelligence and enterprise security.

Popham earned his bachelor's degree in management/computer information systems at Park University. He also holds the following industry certificates: ITIL-Foundation; CNSS 4013-System Administrators, CNSS 4011-Information Systems Security Professionals, CNSS 4012-Senior Systems Managers and CNSS 4016-Risk Analyst; CompTIA Network+ & CompTIA Security+; and Red Hat Certified Technician. He is a veteran of the United States Air Force and held top-secret clearance while serving.



SCC spends 'Day at the Capitol' with Missouri lawmakers

St. Charles Community College officials and students visited the Missouri state capitol in Jefferson City to meet with St. Charles County legislators as part of Missouri Community College Association's (MCCA) designated SCC week at the capitol. The group also heard a legislative update from John Bardgett and Associates over lunch.

Attendees included Barbara Kavalier, Ph.D., SCC president; Pam Cilek, Board of

Trustees secretary; Ben Munson, director of marketing; Boyd Copeland, executive dean of enrollment management; Brynne Cramer, communications manager; John Bookstaver, Ph.D., vice president for academic affairs and enrollment management; Todd Galbierz, vice president for administrative services; and students Tylor Miller, Emily Manning and Edgar Cortes.

President's Tea held Jan. 17

On Wednesday, Jan. 17, Barbara Kavalier, Ph.D., met with another diverse group of faculty and staff during her second "Tea With the President."

"These tea times give me yet another opportunity to engage in conversation with faculty and staff and learn more about the college from each attendee's unique perspective," Dr. Kavalier said. "I look forward to having the chance to invite more of you to join me as these monthly sessions continue."



Seated, from left – Mike Fuszner, Cathy Daugherty, Dr. John Bookstaver, LeAnn Nelson and Mark Eller. Back row, from left – Lisa Schwab, Dr. Barbara Kavalier and Amy Veit.

MARK THE CALENDAR

Discover the full slate of SCC events and deadlines at stchas.edu/calendar.

February Lunch and Learn | Wednesday, Feb. 21 | noon-1 p.m. | Private Dining Room, Student Center

Center Stage Theatre's presents "You Can't Take it With You" | Feb. 28- March 4 | FAB theater

Chamber Choir Concert | Thursday, March 1 | 1:30-2:30 p.m. | Off-campus at Park Place Senior Living

Step UP! Training | Friday, March 2 | 1-3 p.m. | SSB Room 1102

MFA Art Invitational | March 5-April 6 | FAB gallery
No credit classes are in session March 12-17 for spring break.

Young People's Theatre's performance of "The Wizard of Oz" | March 16-18 and 22-25 | FAB theater

Alumni & Friends St. Patrick's Day Breakfast
Saturday, March 17 | 9-11 a.m. | Student Center

PRESIDENT'S MEETINGS

Barbara Kavalier, Ph.D., participated in various meetings in the past month.

- Faculty listening tour
- United Way board meeting
- Weekly MCCA conference calls regarding governor's budget proposal