

Foundation and

Alumni News

A Newsletter for NCMC Alumni & Friends
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NCMC Ambassadors

mark the location of
planned improvements at
the Barton Farm Campus.

NCMC Graduates Another Outstanding Class

NCMC's 2014 Commencement Ceremonies were held May 10 in the Ketcham Community Center on the NCMC campus in Trenton. Congratulations to the Class of 2014!

A list of graduates is available at www.ncmissouri.edu/news/Pages/LocalStudentsGraduateMay10.may12.aspx.



"The Walk" from Geyer Hall to Ketcham Community Center.



Business & Technology Instructor Sarah Bird congratulates a student.



NCMC's Maryville nursing program graduates.



Hugs are everywhere on commencement day.



Cap'n Patch attends commencement.



NCMC students proudly displaying their degrees.



Another proud graduate.



NCMC's Trenton nursing program graduates.

A Series of "Firsts" for NCMC's MoManufacturingWINs Program

During commencement ceremonies the first group of students graduating from NCMC's MoManufacturingWINs programs walked across the stage to receive their diplomas. The ceremony marked the end of the first year of NCMC's MoManufacturingWINs program which offers short-term, accelerated, and flexible coursework in Industrial Maintenance Skills and Manufacturing Skills. The first group of students in the Welding Skills certificate program started their training in June 2014.

MoManufacturingWINs programs at NCMC provide tuition-free training for eligible participants. And as part of the MoManufacturingWINs one-semester programs, students can earn a number of industry-based credentials which are embedded in the program curriculum. An example of one certification organization is the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC). The nationwide MSSC system, based upon industry defined and federally endorsed standards, offers students and incumbent workers the opportunity to demonstrate they have acquired the skills needed for jobs and careers in today's manufacturing environment. "Credentials such as those from MSSC demonstrate to potential employers not only

knowledge of specific technical skills but also the individual's determination and desire to achieve certain industry standards," noted Stan Scott, NCMC Industrial Technology and lead MoManufacturingWINs instructor.

Karen Zorn of Kingston, MO was NCMC's first MoManufacturingWINs student to earn the full Certified Production Technician (CPT) designation from MSSC. She successfully completed four college courses and passed four national MSSC certification assessments.

MoManufacturingWINs is a statewide training network led by the Missouri Community College Association that is creating opportunities for Missourians to obtain the training they need to work in modern manufacturing shops. A nine-member consortium of public two-year colleges is collaborating to implement a rigorous certification training model endorsed by the National Association of Manufacturers.



Lead MoManufacturingWINs Instructor Stan Scott presents Karen Zorn a Certified Production Technician certificate. At right is MoManufacturingWINs Recruiter & Retention Specialist Sue Quinn.

Further Developments Planned at Farm Campus

Plans have been made for further development of the Barton Farm Campus. Teresa J. Cross, NCMC Development Director, said there are four projects: grazing paddocks, conversion of a storage shed, a new shelter house, and concrete benches.

Ms. Cross said the creation of grazing paddocks and the conversion of a storage shed will expand applied learning opportunities in Animal Science courses. The paddocks will include fencing, gates, livestock shelters and waterers for cattle, and an existing storage shed will be converted to house hogs, goats, and sheep. Concrete, ventilation systems, gates, fencing, walls,

Students can gain hands-on experience with confinement livestock production as well as grazing/forage management systems.



The new shelter house would be the finishing touch to the floating dock pond project that was completed last fall, providing us with an outdoor classroom learning environment for our students as well as other educational groups that utilize the Barton Farm pond."

A concrete bench project has also been instituted. Benches may be purchased in memory of or in honor of loved ones with bronze plaques secured on each bench. Benches will be placed near the pond, entrances to classroom buildings, and at the brick donor wall.

and feeders/waterers are needed for those projects.

The new shelter house is proposed for the Hoffman Robbins Conservation Area, located on the north end of the farm. A 24 foot x 36 foot shelter house with concrete floor and running water/electricity built near the ponds would enhance the functionality of the area, according to Ms. Cross. Several community service projects have already been held in this Conservation Area by the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Trenton Police Department, and others.

Rustin Jumps, Barton Farm Campus manager, commented, "The shelter house, grazing pastures and a small animal livestock facility will be great assets to our Farm Campus. We will be able to expand our Animal Science curriculum to offer more applied learning opportunities in livestock production pertaining to sheep, goats, hogs and cattle.

The Barton Farm Campus, located approximately one mile south of Trenton just off Highway 65, is a 138-acre parcel of farm land given to NCMC by the Barton family and named in honor of Arthur Barton and his mother Elizabeth. Currently there are three classroom buildings: the Lager Laboratory of Plant and Energy Science, the Metcalf Mechanical Resource Center, and the Kuttler Animal Science Complex. There is also a wind turbine and numerous agriculture test plots. Classes for academic programs including agriculture, natural resources, applied technology, industrial and energy technology, and manufacturing technology are taught at the Barton Campus.

Those interested in further details of any of these projects or to arrange a personal tour of the Campus may contact Ms. Cross at 660 359 3948, ext. 1403 or tcross@mail.ncmissouri.edu.

Scholarship Reception

Contributors to the North Central Missouri College Foundation's *Gifts in Action* campaign and Knowledge Fund scholarship drive, along with the students who received scholarships, attended a Scholarship Reception hosted by the NCMC Development Office on May 1, 2014 in the Cross Coffee Shop in Cross Hall on the NCMC campus.

The Reception honored 2013-2014 scholarship recipients and thanked those who donated funds for the scholarships. Students Loren Fox and Ronald Nagel spoke about what their scholarship meant to them, and a few donors made remarks as well. Donors who spoke to the audience included Dr. Albert D. Cross and Gloria Carpenter of Trenton and Paul Steele and Betty Preston Steele from Chillicothe.



Traveling Pirates Visit Kauffman Stadium



NCMC alumni, friends and staff traveled to Kansas City on the college motor coach. Mike Arbuckle, TJC/NCMC alum and Senior Advisor to the General Manager of the KC Royals, gave a presentation, answered questions about the KC Royals and offered a private tour of the Kauffman, "K", Stadium. The group then traveled to Union Station to view the King Tut exhibit. Then, it was back to the "K" for the Royals baseball game against the San Francisco Giants viewed from an all-star suite, complete with food and beverages.

Foundation Welcomes New Members

Gary Jordan

Gary Jordan, Chief Executive Officer at Wright Memorial Hospital in Trenton, is a new member of the NCMC Foundation Board of Directors. He was



Gary Jordan

the Trenton R-IX school system). The family enjoys many outdoor activities including hunting, fishing, camping and traveling. Jordan also has a passion for aviation. He said he looks forward to becoming involved in the NCMC Foundation, as he earned many of his college credits at a two-year college when he started working toward his bachelor's degree. "I know what a great resource a community college can be not only for those just beginning their higher education, but also for the working adult."

Maureen Funk

Maureen Carroll Funk, an instructor at Princeton R-V Schools, is also a new member of the North Central Missouri College Foundation Board of Directors. She will fill an unexpired two-year term on the Board. She and Gary Jordan, Chief Executive Officer at Wright Memorial Hospital in Trenton, both formally joined the Board at its August meeting.

Ms. Funk has worked with accelerated learners and gifted students for nearly twenty years in the Princeton and Macon school districts. She has also been an elementary school principal and a math, science, and home economics instructor. She earned a master's degree from University

of Missouri – St. Louis, a bachelor's degree from Iowa State University, and an associate's degree from Muscatine Community College, also in Iowa. "I am looking forward to serving on the NCMC Foundation Board to help support



Maureen Funk

nominated to fill a three-year term on the Board, which consists of 24 members from various communities in north central Missouri.

Jordan and his wife Janet are the parents of four children: Jeffrey Spooner (currently serving in the U.S. Navy); Amy Spooner (a resident of Monett, MO); and Sarah and Samuel Jordan (an eighth grader and a fifth grader, respectively, in

the college's growth into the future," she said. "It is obvious how important North Central Missouri College is to this region."

Two Instructors Receive Awards for Excellence

Two NCMC instructors were recognized for their contributions to the field of developmental education at the 2013 Midwestern Regional Association for Developmental Education (MRADE) Conference in Alton, Illinois, on October 3, 2013.

Melody Shipley received the Award for Professional Development for her work as the Developmental Education Coordinator at NCMC. Mrs. Shipley was cited for her use of creative and innovative strategies to educate and inform faculty who teach developmental courses and thereby improve the success of students. Pamela Johnston was presented with the Outstanding Adjunct Award for her role as an instructor at NCMC. Mrs. Johnston teaches reading and writing courses at the college and was applauded for her use of technology and her personal efforts to support NCMC students that go well beyond the classroom.

MRADE is an organization dedicated to providing quality professional development and important networking opportunities for educators. It is a regional division of the National Association for Developmental Education.

Annual Gala Coming Up

The NCMC Foundation's Annual Alumni Gala will be held Saturday, October 11, 2014 with a theme of "NCMC: Your Passport to the World." The evening begins with dining and entertainment followed by the induction of the TJC/NCMC Distinguished Alumni Class of 2014, and recognition of Lead Gift Contributors to the college's fundraising campaigns.

The Gala is open to all alumni and friends of North Central Missouri College. Reservations can be made by contacting the Development Office at NCMC at 660 359 3948, ext. 1415.

Event sponsorships at varying levels and table sponsorships are available and will be recognized at the Gala.

Below and right are photos from the 2013 Gala.



Michael Babbitt escorts Alice Bratton.



Distinguished Alum Mike Arbuckle speaks with Emeritus Tom Brown.



Harpist Tami Briggs.



Dr. Neil Nuttall & Jacob Black reveal donation from Frederick & Franklin Bosley Estate.



2013 Distinguished Alumni Jim Holcomb, Joanna Anderson, Cathy McKay and H.A. Roberson.

Large Bequest Announced at 2013 Gala

A bequest to NCMC from the estates of brothers Frederick and Franklin Bosley was announced during the annual NCMC Foundation Gala on October 12, 2013. The gift will total \$1.2 million. Twins Frederick and Franklin were Trenton natives and retired gentleman farmers. Franklin passed away in 2011 and Frederick died in 2012.

Gary Black of Trenton, personal representative for the Frederick L. Bosley estate which represents the estates of both brothers, commented on their love for education. "Anyone who knew the Bosley brothers would be aware that they were champions of higher education and mindful of the sacrifices that go along with that. They were World War II veterans and thereafter attended Trenton Junior College (now

known as North Central Missouri College). Franklin received an associate degree from TJC and then became an accomplished businessman, working to help support his brother Frederick as he earned advanced degrees at Northeast Missouri State University (now Truman State University) and the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Franklin was for many years the Head Accessories Buyer for The Jones Store in downtown Kansas City, and Frederick taught history at Shawnee Mission High School in Kansas City and was also a college and university adjunct faculty member. After the brothers retired, they returned to the family farm just west of Trenton."

Teresa Cross, Director of the NCMC Foundation, said, "The Bosleys were always quick to applaud the growth of our institution

and all the wonderful things the college offers to students and the community. They attended Central School near downtown Trenton for their junior high years after attending a one-room school in the country. Central School is now Geyer Hall, the landmark building of North Central Missouri College. The brothers often pondered the thought of what an architecturally renovated Geyer Hall might look like with beautiful new period-appropriate windows."

NCMC President Dr. Neil Nuttall described how the bequest will be used. "It will be our recommendation to our Board of Trustees and NCMC Foundation to utilize \$1 million of this generous bequest from Frederick and Franklin Bosley to launch the renovation of Geyer Hall. "

Dr. Bruinsma Elected to State Board

Dr. Paul Bruinsma, physical sciences instructor at NCMC, has been elected to an office in the Missouri Community College Association based in Jefferson City. Dr. Bruinsma was elected as the Vice Chair of the Faculty Department and will be a member of the MCCA Board of Directors.

The Missouri Community College Association serves as the voice of community colleges at the state capitol, providing professional, persuasive advocacy on issues including funding for colleges' operating budgets, maintaining the Public Schools Retirement System, the need for investment in buildings and facilities, and the importance of supporting A+ and other student financial aid programs. There are twelve community colleges (including large systems in Kansas City, St. Louis, and Springfield) in Missouri and all participate in MCCA.

Dr. Bruinsma commented that he is looking forward to supporting the work of Missouri community college professionals. He lives in Trenton with his wife Lacey and daughter Sophia.



Employee Earns State Recognition

Director of Admissions and Financial Aid Megan DeWitt received the Bob Berger Newcomer Award at the Missouri Association for Student Financial Aid Personnel (MASFAP) Fall Conference held at the Lake of the Ozarks. MASFAP is a statewide organization dedicated to serving students, opening avenues to access the benefits of higher education and advocating for the maintenance of high ethical standards in the financial aid profession.

The Bob Berger Newcomer Award recognizes the outstanding contributions of individuals new to the financial aid profession. It is presented in honor of the late Bob Berger, former Director of Student Financial Aid at Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph. Berger's service in the financial aid community began in 1971 and until his death in April 2002, he ensured that students were the focus of his career. He believed and exemplified that a student's success in education is paramount in the financial aid industry.

Ms. DeWitt was nominated for the award in recognition of her outstanding contributions at the institutional, regional, and state levels, her dedication to keeping students' interests as her first priority, and her leadership in participating in and supporting student aid related activities and programs. She was employed by North Central Missouri College in June 2010 and was promoted to her current position on January 1, 2013. She and her husband Sawyer are Jamesport residents.



Excellence in Teaching Award

Sarah Bird, business and technology instructor at NCMC, has received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. Ms. Bird lives with her husband, Jesse, and family in the Gallatin area.

This award, which was presented by the Missouri Community College Association at a ceremony in Jefferson City on March 5, 2014, 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.

The Missouri Community College Association is a statewide organization through which Missouri's community colleges work together to advance common agendas. MCCA provides

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advocacy, education, information, and networking opportunities in service of the state's 5,700 community college faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees.



Zora Mulligan, CEO of MCCA, and Sarah Bird.

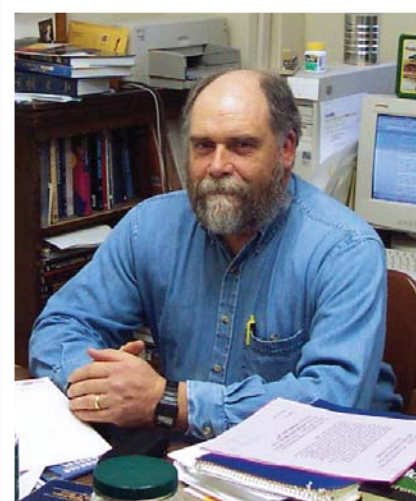
NCMC said goodbye to the following retirees...



Marilyn Booth,
NCMC Bookstore, 2013



Dr. James Gardner, Vice President of
Instruction & Student Services, 2014



Eddie Koenig,
Criminal Justice Instructor, 2014

Where in the world has NCMC taken you?



Harry & Alice Sanders Bratton

Harry and Alice Bratton, now both retired and living in Lee's Summit, MO, were born on farms in north Missouri. Alice Sanders was born in Mercer County west of Harris and Harry was born in southwest Grundy County, north of Hickory Creek.



When they were born in the early thirties life was difficult, especially for farmers who were battling

drought, grasshoppers and the Great Depression. These difficulties instilled in them the famous "North Missouri Work Ethic" of frugality and tenaciousness. That work ethic served them both well through the war years, farm work, attending one room country schools in all kinds of weather and riding the bus to attend Trenton High School.

After high school, Alice took a job working as Ed Geyer's secretary at the Trenton High School and Harry worked as a mechanic at the Bock Truck and Tractor Company. Harry attended Trenton Junior College (TJC) for one year and in June of 1952, Harry and Alice Sanders were married.

The Korean "Police Action" was intense at the time and Harry was 1-A in the draft. Not knowing from day-to-day when his draft letter would arrive, they set up housekeeping in a spare upstairs apartment on Tindall Avenue in Trenton. Inevitably, the expected letter came and Harry reported to Camp Chaffee, Arkansas for basic training early in April of 1953.

During basic training Harry and several of his buddies qualified and signed up to attend Leadership School at Camp Chaffee after basic training. His one year at TJC provided him that opportunity.

After Leadership School, Harry was shipped overseas to Germany and stationed as a mechanic for a year in a 155 mm Artillery Battalion located at the former Dachau Concentration Camp of Holocaust infamy.

During this time Alice worked at the high school, and in 1954 was promoted to Registrar of TJC and began working for S. M. Rissler.

Harry returned from Germany in December of 1954, received his release from the Army in early January of 1955, and immediately enrolled back at TJC. His goal was to obtain a Mechanical Engineering degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia (MU). Alice was working to pay for his college and the GI Bill also provided help.

Their daughter, Marilyn, was born in late August. Harry enrolled for his final term at TJC and graduated in May of 1956 with six other TJC students.

Alice and Harry then moved to Columbia, MO where Harry enrolled in summer school at the School of Engineering. His hours received at TJC that were in the engineering curriculum transferred to MU.

Alice took a job at the MFA Insurance Company. She continued working at MFA and eventually became secretary to the personnel manager. Alice held that job as well as maintaining the household and raising their daughter Marilyn. Without her

considerable effort, the GI Bill, Harry's part-time work as a draftsman and lab assistant, loans from the Knights Templar and Trenton National Bank in Trenton, college would have been impossible.

Mechanical engineering proved to be a grueling no-nonsense effort requiring many nights studying into the early morning hours. But it paid off when Harry received his Mechanical Engineering degree from MU at the end of January 1960.

Harry, Alice and daughter Marilyn immediately moved to Grandview, MO.

On February 8, 1960 Harry started work as a junior mechanical engineer at the Bendix Corporation in Kansas City. One month later, Alice started work at the Western Electric Pilot Plant in Grandview, MO as secretary to their personnel manager. After 33½ years Harry retired as staff engineer from Allied-Signal Corp (now Honeywell F.M.& T.) After 28 years Alice retired as executive secretary to the general manager of AT&T in Lee's Summit, MO (now Lucent Technologies).

Harry has been on the NCMC Foundation Board for the last six years and has recently accepted another three year term.

The Brattons are very grateful to TJC/ NCMC and the people of Trenton for providing them the educational and employment opportunities which gave them their start in life.

Harry and Alice Bratton recently donated \$105,500 to the NCMC Foundation for use during the restoration of Geyer Hall and its new Learning Commons Project. The Brattons were able to do an IRA Charitable Rollover, which allows donors aged 70 ½ or older to move up to \$100,000 from an IRA directly to a non-profit institution without paying income tax on the funds. The Brattons will be recognized at the Annual Gala on Saturday, October 11, 2014 as Lead Gift Contributors.

Tosha Snidow Jackson

From North Central Missouri College Upward Bound student to entrepreneur, Tosha (Snidow) Jackson has already accomplished many amazing things through her business and in her life. Tosha, who grew up in Galt, Missouri, was involved for four years in the Upward Bound program before making the decision to attend NCMC.

The Upward bound program helps students overcome class, social, academic and cultural barriers to higher education. North Central Missouri College (NCMC) sponsors the Upward Bound program. Upward Bound is designed to provide academic instruction, motivational and study skills, along with other support services necessary to give that extra "push" to high school students interested in attending college and finding the right career. NCMC's Upward Bound program is 100% funded (\$250,000) by the U.S. Department of Education under the category of Federal TRiO Programs.

After graduating from Grundy R-5 High School, Tosha went on to attend and graduate from NCMC in 2005. During her time at NCMC, Tosha was the Student Senate Vice President, secretary for Phi Theta Kappa and was involved in the business organization as well as the women's sorority on campus. She also founded the Pirate Crew Pep Club and was responsible for bringing back Courtwarming to the NCMC campus for the first time in 20 years. Tosha was involved in all these activities in addition to working in the Public Relations department and serving as a tutor for the Academic Resource Center (ARC).

With an Associates of Arts degree from NCMC under her belt, she transferred to the University of Missouri- Kansas City where she



received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Graphic Design.

Tosha now lives in Lawson, Missouri with her husband Jeremy and their son Ryker. She runs a successful business, GRFX Creative, which primarily focuses on her custom work art, TYPOGRFX.

Tosha remarked, "I enjoy all of the opportunities that having my own business offers, such as working from home so I have flexibility and family time, meeting people from all over the globe that enjoy my artwork, and sharing my talent with others by starting my direct sales pARTner program. I am truly blessed!"

Tosha's business has experienced tremendous growth over the last year which was up 150% in sales and is on track to grow at least another 28% this year. Much of this growth has been due to the launch of her direct sales pARTner program which allows anyone to sign up and earn commission promoting her artwork.

It is Tosha's belief that NCMC provided her with a strong foundation for her bright future.

Tosha reflected on her education at NCMC and commented, "Because

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of the education I received and the experiences I had being so involved on campus, I became a better person – someone with a passion to succeed and ambition to make a difference. It's because of this, that I have been able to become so blessed both professionally and personally. That's why I continue to be involved as a NCMC alumnus by helping each year to design and brand the annual Gala event."

During her career, Tosha has had many unique and exciting experiences. She auditioned for Shark Tank and was nominated for Martha Stewart's American Made 2014 Contest. She has been featured in many publications such as the *Kansas City Star*, *Country Living*, and *FOLK* magazines. Tosha (TYPOGRFX) was nominated as a favorite woman-owned small business in April 2013 by the *Cake and Whiskey Magazine*. TYPOGRFX was featured on the Broadway + Thresher Blog and was recommended as an ideal Valentine's gift in 2013. Tosha was named the 2013-2014 Chamber Member of the Year for the Excelsior Springs Chamber for her development of a professional education series called Educate 2 Cultivate.

When asked what inspires her, Tosha commented, "My customers inspire me. Wrapped in the stories and memories they share, I am inspired daily by their trust in me to craft their words into pieces of art."

Tosha is an inspiring example to NCMC students and graduates on, "Where in the world NCMC has taken you?" When asked about what advice she would give an aspiring creative entrepreneur, she shares her wisdom, "Everything happens for a reason. Open your mind and see the opportunities. I lost my full-time job as a graphic designer in 2009. Had that seemingly precarious event not happened, I'm not sure I would have had the guts to start my own business. It's risky. It's scary. It's unfamiliar. But it can be done! Looking back, I realize the day I walked away from the comfortable confines of my nine-to-five job was the best day of my professional career. It was at that exact moment that I started my own business. I could now dedicate myself to the artwork I had been creating on the side for nearly a year. And at that same time, I wanted to be able to provide for my expanding family (I was nearly five month pregnant at the time). So do something you love; passion and hard work will get you through the challenges. The rest will fall into place."

Tosha (Snidow) Jackson is a shining star who graduated from NCMC and who has utilized her education from her alma mater to go far professionally and personally. We thank Tosha for leading the way for future graduates and for all she does for the NCMC Alumni Gala.

Talking with Teresa



Development Director Teresa Cross

My father-in-law, Albert D. Cross, M.D., brought a wooden plaque to my office one day last year with the words *Make Things Happen* painted on it. After receiving this gift, I pondered these words and decided to challenge my co-workers, the Foundation Board, our alumni and friends of NCMC to "Make Great Things Happen"

at North Central Missouri College! I'm happy to share that "great things" have happened at NCMC over this last year.

Since kicking off the Gifts in Action Scholarship campaign, over \$341,115 has been donated and pledged toward our Foundation's Knowledge Scholarship fund and in named scholarships. This amount includes a \$10,000 pledge from Cameron Regional Medical Center (CRMC) for our Allied Health Science students in the 2014/2015 school year. The campaign total will continue to grow as donors such as CRMC look to continue their donation yearly and other donors who graciously give future donations toward scholarships. Follow us on Facebook to see students who have been awarded scholarships and to hear what their scholarships have meant to them.

We held our First Annual Scholarship Reception in May at Cross Coffee Shop in Cross Hall. It was amazing to hear from two of our students, Loren Fox and Ronald Nagel, as they shared what a difference receiving NCMC Foundation Scholarships made for them and to hear from a few donors who setup named scholarships during the Gifts in Action Campaign. Dr. Albert Cross (speaking for the scholarship he and wife Carol established for Allied Health Science students), Paul and Betty Preston Steele (speaking for the Ag Scholarship they established) and Gloria Carpenter (speaking for the scholarship she and her husband Carl established for Education Majors in memory of their late son-in-law, Thomas Anthony, M.D.) shared why they decided to help make a difference in our students' lives through scholarships.

This year has been a very busy one for the NCMC Foundation and for NCMC. We recently traveled to Kansas City on our motor coach. Mike Arbuckle, TJC/NCMC alum and Senior Advisor to the General

Manager of the KC Royals, gave us private tour of the Kauffman "K" Stadium and answered all our questions about the KC Royals. The group then traveled to Union Station to view the King Tut exhibit. Then it was back to the "K" for the Royals baseball game against the San Francisco Giants viewed from the All-star suite. We also celebrated Emeritus Tom Brown's 90th birthday.

We held our Tenth Annual Gala last fall with the theme focused on scholarships, "Wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of our times." It was another beautiful Gala where we honored our newest Distinguished Alumni and thanked our Lead Gift Contributors. You can see pictures from our event in this newsletter and on our Facebook page.

We also held our Ninth Annual Holiday Hoops, under the direction of Steve Maxey, which was the biggest ever. However, this year's event promises to be even bigger with 102 teams. They will take to the court at the Ketcham Community Center. Several teams from new schools will participate this year for the first time including teams from Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas. The remaining teams come from all over Missouri. Twelve days of outstanding basketball will begin on December 18.

We held our Second Annual Estate Planning Seminar which filled every seat in the lecture room of Cross Hall.

We have another big year planned for 2014-15.

Our Third Annual Golf Tournament was very successful and the proceeds from this event went to the NCMC Foundation's Knowledge Fund. The tournament was held the Friday of Labor Day weekend at the Green Hills Golf Course (GHGC) in Chillicothe, MO. The GHGC was a change in venue for this activity, as the first two tournaments were held at Riverside Country Club in Trenton. The NCMC Foundation Golf Committee decided to implement their original plan to move the tournament around to different courses within the college's 16-county service area.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 11 for our 11th Annual Gala. The theme for this year's event will be "North Central Missouri College, your passport to the world" where we feature our international students and share where NCMC has taken our alumni professionally. We'd love to hear where your NCMC education has taken you during your career. Please call or e-mail us to share your career story.

In November, we will hold our third annual Estate Planning Seminar as the last two have been extremely popular. We've held them in our largest state-of-the-art classroom in Cross Hall. Two of our Foundation Board members, attorney Allan Seidel and CPA Bruce Constant, present the complimentary seminar to

discuss the legal and tax issues/laws around estate planning. Following the seminar, we will have a reception with food for those attending.

We are really excited about our upcoming restoration of Geyer Hall and our new learning commons project. You can read more about this in Dr. Nuttall's column. We look to "Preserve the past and focus on the future" with these projects. In the near future, we will be having more details about how you can support this upcoming campaign. Many of us have walked the halls of Geyer as students, educators and alumni of TJC/NCMC. It will be fun to hear all the stories shared about our experiences in Geyer Hall as we renovate her into a beautiful building that will serve our students into the future.

On a personal note, I'm pleased to share that Tricia Key has joined our team as the Development Assistant. She was born in Trenton and attended K-12 in the R-9 school system. Then, she attended TJC/NCMC before transferring and graduating from Missouri Western with a degree in Commercial Art. She worked at Wal-Mart in St. Joseph and then worked for Dillard's Travel in Overland Park, KS. Most recently, she worked for PSF/Murphy-Brown in Princeton. Tricia enjoys spending time with family and friends and her interest is in art, design, crafts and watching movies. Please join me in welcoming Tricia to our team, NCMC and the NCMC Foundation.

I am so thankful to have both Gina Graham and Tricia Key on our team. They are very talented and have a passion for our college.

I want to thank Dr. Nuttall, our Board of Trustees, my NCMC Foundation Board, alumni, my co-workers and friends of NCMC for all your support over this last year. I want to challenge all of us to continue "Making great things happen" at North Central Missouri College.



Former Student Named National Collegiate Ambassador

The National FFA Organization announced that Cara Fordyce of Kidder, Missouri was selected to serve on their 2013-14 National Collegiate Agriculture Ambassador Team. The FFA's National Ambassador program is sponsored by agriculture dealers Syngenta, BASF and Cargill.

Fordyce is a senior studying agriculture business with a minor in animal science at Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, Missouri. She is a May 2013 graduate from North Central Missouri College where she served as president of the Student Senate and the Ag Club.

Fordyce underwent specialized training in Greensboro, North Carolina to learn how to best advocate for agriculture and agricultural education throughout the nation. Each ambassador must complete a minimum of 30 hours of presentations to businesses, schools, community groups and more. They will also facilitate seminars and workshops to audiences of all ages interested in learning more about the agriculture industry.



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PTK All-Missouri Selections

Two NCMC students were honored by the Missouri Community College Association March 5, 2014 in Jefferson City, Missouri. The students were named to the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) All-Missouri Academic Team, an honor bestowed on the state's top community college students. The students honored include Caleb Bounds from Country Club Village, Missouri, and Allison Gibson from Gallatin, Missouri.



Caleb Bounds is a pitcher for the NCMC Pirates who would like to go on to earn bachelor's and master's degrees in sports management. He has a 4.0 grade point average and is a resident assistant. He has received the Board of Trustees Scholarship and

the Heartland Touchstone Caregivers Scholarship. Mr. Bounds is also the vice president of fellowship for his campus PTK chapter and the president of the Residence Hall Association.

Allison Gibson came to NCMC to start over. She said that returning to college was the best decision she has ever made and the greatest gift she has ever given herself. She dedicates herself to her studies, earning a place on the president's honor roll and to raising her four children. She has transferred to Drake University after getting her degree from NCMC and eventually to become a CPA.



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.

MCCA Student Leadership Award



The Missouri Community College Association presented NCMC student Loren Fox with the Student Leadership Award at a ceremony held in St. Louis, Missouri. Fox is actively involved on campus and in her community while maintaining great grades, co-curricular involvement, and

working two jobs. She's the student senate president, a student ambassador, a member of the ag club, and works in the NCMC bookstore. She also placed in the top five in the State Fair Queen competition. Fox is an agriculture business major who plans to pursue a bachelor's degree after earning an associate degree at NCMC.

Athletes Promote Child Literacy

NCMC student athletes visited Trenton Head Start as a part of activities of the college's Scholastic Book Fair. This visit was coordinated by the NCMC Student Senate and



the Library in an effort to promote child literacy. The Student Senate bought new books and the Library organized a book collection so the Head Start students could have books to take home.

Donnie Hillerman, Student Senate sponsor, and Beth Caldarello, college librarian, facilitated the entire event with assistance from Lynda Snuffer (early childhood educator) and Jamie Tanno (assistant softball coach).

Lady Pirates Win Regional Honors, District Title, & Play Hard at Nationals

The Lady Pirates basketball team received honors as a result of their Region 16 championship and advanced on to play in the NJCAA National Championship Tournament after their District Title win on March 8, 2014.



Four Lady Pirates - Lexi Hope, Kayla Oetterer, Brooke Parton, and Samone Redditt - received NJCAA Women's Division II All-Region 16 honors after their Region 16 Championship win on March 4, 2014 in Sedalia, Missouri. Kayla Oetterer (New Haven, Missouri) and Samone Redditt (Independence, Missouri) were named to the First Team. Oetterer averaged 15.1 points and 8.9 rebounds per game and Redditt averaged 12.8 points, 7.1 rebounds and 3.9 assists per game. Parton (Independence, Missouri) and Hope (Sedalia, Missouri) were named to the Second Team. Parton averaged 10.2 points, 5.3 rebounds, and 4.1 assists per game and Hope averaged 11.3 points, 3.8 rebounds, and 4.2 assists per game. Head Coach Lady Pirates Coach Jenni Croy received the NJCAA Region 16 Coach of the Year award.

Their District P Championship win was clinched with a win over Mid South Community College of West Memphis, Arkansas by a score of 89-62. This game was hosted by North Central Missouri College on March 8, 2014.

The NCMC Lady Pirates played hard in the NJCAA National Tournament, Women's Division II, hosted by Johnson County Community College (JCCC) in Overland Park, Kansas. There were 16 teams in this national tournament.

2014 Athletic Hall of Fame Honorees

Three persons were inducted into the NCMC Athletic Hall of Fame on February 15, 2014 during the Pirates and Lady Pirates basketball games with St. Louis Community College. Don Altes, scorers' table volunteer; Stephanie Beason, NCMC student/athlete from 2002-04; and Bob Shields, former baseball coach, were the honorees.

from Fairmont State University in West Virginia and a Master's Degree, also in Exercise Science, from California University of Pennsylvania. During Beason's first year at NCMC, the Lady Pirates won their region tournament and during her second year the Lady Pirates traveled to the NJCAA National Tournament. She was a First Team All-Region player in 2003 and 2004 and First Team NJCAA All-American. Beason started her coaching career as an assistant women's basketball coach at Highland Community College in Highland, Kansas, and after she gained four years of coaching experience there, she was employed at Ancilla College as Head Coach.

Robert M. Shields was the librarian at North Central Missouri College from 1983 through 2001, and he re-started the college's baseball program in 1990. Coach Shields' nomination to the Hall of Fame selection committee was written by one of his former baseball players who said, "Bob didn't have much of a baseball budget. He and his wife washed ball uniforms,



Don Altes has volunteered at the scorers' table for the NCMC basketball program for more than 15 years. Altes rarely misses a home game, and many referees have commented that NCMC's scorers' table is the "best they have worked with." A Vietnam veteran, Altes and his family moved to Trenton in 1979. He worked in law enforcement and later became a computer draftsman for Trenton Municipal Utilities. Now retired, he serves as president of the Trenton Park Board. His other volunteer activities have included the NCMC Booster Club, Sunnyview Nursing Home Board, citizens advisory boards for probation/parole and the city airport, Missouri Days Committee, University of Missouri extension council, and the local emergency planning committee. He and his wife Joyce have five children and several grandchildren.

Stephanie Beason is currently in her third season as Head Women's Basketball Coach at Ancilla College in Donaldson, Indiana. A 2004 graduate of NCMC, she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Science

made practice equipment and found places for us to practice. He was a teacher of the fundamentals, believed in his players and gave them an opportunity to succeed. Bob and his family gave a lot to the program and asked for little in return." Bob also was the Trenton American Legion Blue Jays coach. He is a graduate of Western Michigan University and holds a Master's Degree in Library Science from Rosary College of Arts and Sciences at Dominican University in Chicago. He and his wife Shirley are now retired and spend winters in the south.

The NCMC Athletic Hall of Fame was implemented in 2005 to recognize the accomplishments of former athletes, coaches, and supporters of college athletics. Names of its members are engraved on a plaque on permanent display in the Ketcham Community Center.

Want to nominate someone for the award? Visit www.ncmissouri.edu/athletics or contact NCMC Athletic Director Steve Richman by email: srichman@mail.ncmissouri.edu or phone 660-359-3948, ext. 1409.

Lady Pirate Redditt's Jersey Displayed at Hall of Fame

The basketball jersey worn by Samone Redditt at North Central Missouri College has been sent to hang at the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in Knoxville, Tennessee. Her jersey is displayed in the Hall's "Ring of Honor" in recognition of her outstanding play for the 2013-2014 season. She was named as to the NJCAA Division II All American Second Team for her efforts this past season, which included the Lady Pirates' participation in the NJCAA Division II National Championship Tournament in Overland Park, Kansas.



The NCMC jersey is on display for one complete year; currently there are over 100 jerseys hanging in the Ring of Honor which includes those worn by high school and college All-Americans.

Redditt, a graduate of William Chrisman High School in Independence, Missouri, averaged 12.6 points, 7.1 rebounds, and 3.8 assists per game this past season. Head Coach Jenni Croy commented, "Samone was a two-year starter for us. She could play anywhere on the court, from point guard to post. She really worked hard to develop her game on both ends of the floor and was a vital component when we earned a spot in the NJCAA National Tournament in Overland Park, Kansas."

National Finalists

Six agriculture students from NCMC participated in the National Postsecondary Agriculture Student (PAS) Organization Conference March 12-15, 2014. The conference was held in St. Cloud, Minnesota. Over 600 agriculture students competed in Career Program Areas, participated in leadership workshops, and toured central Minnesota attractions. The NCMC delegation visited the Schilfabein Angus Farm and attended workshops covering precision agriculture and enhancing agriculture's image.



Front row, left to right: Jacob Roth and Lane Aldrich. Back row, left to right: Shelby Lowrey, Megan Beck, Sara Miles, and Britney Adam.

NCMC students who attended the conference were: Lane Aldrich, Excelsior Springs; Britney Adam, Lathrop; Megan Beck, Gallatin; Shelby Lowrey, Laredo; Sara Miles, Leonard; and Jacob Roth, Blackwater. They were accompanied by NCMC Agriculture and Natural Resources Instructor David Nowland.

NCMC graduates Taylor Lynch and Shelby Chaney completed their terms as the National Postsecondary Agriculture Student Organization's President and Vice President at this conference.

Students earning recognition as national finalists in Career Program Areas were: Megan Beck (first place in Career Planning, Non-Ruminant Animal Systems); Britney Adam (second place in Career Planning, Ruminant Animal Systems); Shelby Lowrey (second place in Career Planning, Agribusiness Management Systems); Sara Miles (third place in Career Planning, Agricultural Education Systems); Jacob Roth (fifth place in Career Planning, Plant Systems); Lane Aldrich (second place in Career Progress, Plant Systems and third place in Employment Interview, Crop Production).

News & Notes of Alumni & Friends

Are you engaged, newly married or have a newborn? Do you have a new job or were you recently promoted? Did you win an award or an honor? Congratulations! We can help you spread the good news. Please send announcements and photos to: NCMC Foundation Office, 1301 Main Street, Trenton, MO 64683 OR e-mail the information to tkey@mail.ncmis-souri.edu. Photos will be returned. Questions? Give us a call at 660-359-3948, ext. 1415

Dustin Wilson and **Charlsey Adams** (NCMC 2013) are the parents of a 3 pound, 14 ounce baby boy, born at 11:38 a.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2013. The baby was 16 1/2 inches long and was named Ryker Gene. He is the couple's first child.

Justin and **Amber (Ervie) Wampler** (NCMC 2003) of Farmington are the parents of a 7 pound, 1 ounce baby girl, born at 11:25 a.m. on Sunday, June 9, 2013. The baby was 19 1/2 inches long and was named Eva Lynn.

Tracy Crose (NCMC 2005) and **Chris Fornili** were united in marriage on Saturday, June 15, 2013. Tracy is a 2005 graduate of Chillicothe High School and both Chris and Tracy are graduates of the University of Missouri-Columbia. The couple will be making their home in Columbia.

Kyle (NCMC 1994) and **Keli Hurst** of Kansas City are the parents of a baby boy, born on Wednesday, June 26, 2013. He has been named Kaden Powell and joins a brother, Karter, age 4.

Stephen and **Amber (Parker) Neal** (NCMC 2005) of Kansas City, Mo., exchanged wedding vows on June 29, 2013. The bride, Amber Dawn (Parker) Neal (NCMC 2005) graduated from Chillicothe High School in 2005, was a William Jewell College graduate in 2009 and a Southwest Baptist University graduate in 2012. She is currently employed by Kindred/Rehab Care as a physical therapist in Raytown, Mo. The groom, Stephen Dale Neal, graduated from Bolivar High School in 2001 and attended the University of Missouri-Columbia. He is the owner of Los Corrales Mexican Restaurant in downtown Kansas City, Mo.

Chelsea Marie Behrens and **Spencer Allen Whiteside** (NCMC 2010) exchanged wedding vows at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 29, 2013. Chelsea is a 2009 graduate of Linden High School. She is a 2012 graduate

of Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Mich., where she earned a degree in Business Administration, Finance and Accounting. Chelsea is employed by Mercantile Bank of Grand Rapids, Mich. Spencer is a 2007 graduate of Chillicothe High School. He is a 2011 graduate of Grand Valley State University where he earned a degree in Health Communications, Advertising and Public Relations. Spencer is employed by Racquet Sports of Comstock Park, Mich.

Skylar Shipley (NCMC 2014) and **Colton Whitney** of Trenton are the parents of an 8 pound, 8 ounce baby girl, born at 5:47 a.m. on Monday, July 8, 2013. The baby was 19 inches long and was named Alianna Leigha Nikkole. She is the couple's first child.

Ashley Duncan (NCMC 1998) and **Jeremy Boynton**, of Marceline, Mo., are the parents of a daughter born on Monday, July 15, 2013. Danika Rene Boynton weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and measured 20 inches in length.

Trent (NCMC 1999) and **Cari Blackburn** of Trenton are the parents of a 6 pound, 7 ounce baby girl born at 4:58 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2013. The baby was 19 inches long and was named Josie Laree. She joins two sisters, Sydney Leeann, age 21 months, and McKayla Kirk, age 11 years.

Jeremy and **Sheynee (Smith) Shuler** (NCMC 2010) of Trenton are the parents of twins, born on Tuesday, July 30, 2013. Cierra Danielle was born at 7:27 p.m. and weighed 3 pounds, 10.9 ounces and was 17 inches long. Michael Joseph was born at 7:28 p.m. and weighed 4 pounds, 5.8 ounces and was 16.5 inches long. They join a brother, Benjamin Lee, age 5.

Dr. Paul (NCMC Physical Science Instructor) and **Lacey Bruinsma** (NCMC 2005) of Trenton are the parents of an 8 pound, 5 ounce baby girl, born at 1:26 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 9, 2013. The baby was 20 inches long and named Sophia Leigh. She is the couple's first child.

Clint (NCMC 2005) and **Hollie Keith**, of Platte City, Mo., are the parents of a son born Friday, Oct. 4, 2013 at 2:22 a.m. Collin Drew Keith weighed 7 pounds 15 1/2 ounces and measured 21 1/2 inches in length. Collin joins sisters Macie, 3 years, and Shaylin, 18 months.

Joshua (NCMC 2009) and **Danielle Lewis** of Columbia, Mo are the parents of a daughter born Oct. 16, 2013 in Columbia. Sawyer Rebecca weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces and measured 21 1/4 inches in length. She joins brother, Talya Michael, 4 years old.

Zac (NCMC 2003) and **Sabrina Davenport**, of Ashland, Mo are the parents of a daughter born at 11:34 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2013. Gretchen Dale Davenport weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches in length.



Jamie Trent, (NCMC 2010) received her Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from DeVry University in October, 2013.

Trent is currently serving as the account clerk and assistant to the city auditor in Chillicothe, Missouri. She is the wife of Clint Trent, mother of Jessalie Trent, and the daughter of NCMC ARC Director Tina Totten.

Jacob (NCMC 2011) and **Katherine Tabbert** (NCMC 2013) of Trenton are the parents of a 10 pound, 7 ounce baby boy, born at 1:05 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2013. The baby, who was 21 1/4 inches long, has been named Jayce Lee. He is the couple's first child.

Katie Lynn Walker (NCMC 2013) of Bethany, Mo., formerly of Chillicothe, and **Michael Gordon Tate**, of Kansas City exchanged wedding vows at 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, 2013. The bride is a registered nurse with Kindred Care Hospital in Kansas City. The groom is employed by the Kansas City Star

in Kansas City. The couple resides in Kansas City.

Kevin (NCMC 2008) and **Lindsey Goad** (NCMC 2003) of Chillicothe, are the parents of a son born at 1:48 on Dec. 20, 2013. Harrison Stanley Goad weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce and measured 18 inches in length. Harrison joins 6-year-old brother Oliver.

Amanda Spurling (NCMC 2009) of Princeton, Mo is the mother of a daughter born at 8:00 on Monday, Dec. 23, 2013. Sophia Francine Spurling weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces and measured 18 inches in length. Sophia joins 2-year-old brother Hayden Thompson.

Daniel (NCMC 2004) and **Abby Gott** (NCMC 2005) of Trenton are the parents of a 6 pound, 7 ounces daughter born at 2:59 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2013. The baby, who was 18 1/4 inches long, is the first child for the couple and has been named Vivian Jae.

Sauna Grimm (NCMC 2007) and **Tyler Danner**, of Chillicothe are the parents of a son born at 5:05 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 26, 2013. Landyn Lee Danner weighed 8 pounds and measured 20 inches in length. Landyn joins 6-year-old sister Haley Smith.

Aaron (NCMC 2001) and **Micah Douglas** (NCMC 2006) of Chillicothe are the parents of a son, born at 11:46 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2014. Kobe Edward Douglas weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches in length. He joins one sister, London, age 2.

Devon (NCMC 2004) and **Brian Garton**, of Ozark, Mo are the parents of a daughter born Jan. 8, 2014. Hattie Mae Garton weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces. She joins brother Cooper, 3, and sister Lena, 1.

Leslie Faye Ashbrook (NCMC 1997) and **Peter Jordan "P.J." Janaros**, both of Charlottesville, VA, were married on Friday, Jan. 31, 2014. The couple met at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, VA, where they both graduated in 2003. The bride earned a law degree at the University of Missouri-Columbia and was a Tarleton Fellow at the Tarleton Law School at the University of Texas,

receiving a master's degree in information science. She is a research librarian at the University of Virginia School of Law. The groom is a video game designer and co-owner of a video game production company, Pixel Bomb Studios, based in Baltimore, MD.

Nathan (NCMC 2000) and **Kristen Bengtson** (NCMC 2001) of Benton are the parents of a 7 pound, 10 ounce baby girl, born at 7:32 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 31, 2014. The baby was 20 inches long and was named Sadie Lynett. She joins two brothers and one sister.

Lacy Peery (NCMC 2010) and **John Harbolt** of Kidder are the parents of a 6 pound, 14 ounce baby girl born on Monday, Feb. 10, 2014. The baby is 20 inches long and has been named Ruby Renee Peery.

Nathan and Tonya Washam (NCMC 2013) of Brookfield are the parents of a son born at 12:43 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2014. William Trey Washam weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces and measured 19 inches in length. He joins a sister, Triniti Ann, 10.

Josh (NCMC 2002) and **Savanna Bishop** (NCMC 2010) of Meadville, Mo are the parents of a daughter born Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 6:28 p.m. Macie Electa Nicole Bishop weighed 7 pounds and 2 ounces and measured 20 inches in length. She joins a brother Carsen Bishop, age 3.

Lerissa Curtis (NCMC 2014) and **Scotty Dolan** (NCMC 2013) of Jamesport, Mo are the parents of a son born Thursday, March 20, 2014, at 5:06 p.m. Travis Scott Dolan weighed 6 pounds and 15 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches in length.

Derek (NCMC 2008) and **Sarah Lowrey** (NCMC 2006) of Trenton are the parents of a baby girl born at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces, was 18 inches long and was named Macey Ann. She is the couple's first child.

Zachary and Morgan Ireland (NCMC 2009) of Dawn, Mo are the parents of a son born at 3:10 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, 2014. Finnigan Samuel Ireland weighed 5 pounds and 11 ounces and was 18 inches in length.

Ciara Colene Gibson (NCMC 2009) and **John Eugene Bauer** (NCMC 2009) were married at 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 5, 2014. Ciara is a 2007 graduate of Trenton High School. She obtained her associate's degree from NCMC in 2009 and her bachelor's degree in business education from Westminster College in 2011. She is employed in the Finance and IT Departments for the City of Jefferson City. John is a 2007 graduate of Vienna High School. He attended NCMC and played on the baseball team. He received his associate's degree in environmental studies from Columbia College in 2013. He currently works for Gleeson's Landscaping in Hermann.



Rhonda Watkins (TJC 1973) of Trenton and **Dr. Bill Mikkelsen** of Gladstone announce their engagement. Ms. Watkins is an agent

with Shelter Insurance in Trenton. Dr. Mikkelsen is a retired dentist and is now a licensed realtor with ReMax in Kansas City.



Former NCMC pitcher **Silas Bohannon** (NCMC 2012) earned his first professional win with a 6-1 victory for the Gulf Coast League

Cardinals in August 2014. Silas, a member of the 2011 and 2012 Pirates baseball team, threw 2.1 innings in relief to pick up the win. He allowed no walks or hits and struck out two as the team combined for a no-hitter.

Silas signed with the St. Louis Cardinals as a free agent and had his first outing for the rookie league Cardinals in July 2014. To date, Silas has appeared in five games and has an ERA of 5.40. "I am glad to see Silas pitching in a developmental setting," commented Donnie Hillerman, NCMC Head Baseball Coach. "I believe it is the right opportunity for him to continue to develop as he has great potential. The NCMC Pirates baseball coaching staff are proud of Silas' accomplishments."

Remembering . . .

NCMC has received word that the following alumni and friends have passed away. We extend sympathies to the families of all. If you are aware of an alumnus who has passed away, please contact the NCMC Foundation Office at 660-359-3948, ext. 1415 or email tkey@mail.ncmissouri.edu.

Keith Edger Abbey, Trenton, MO;
Friend of NCMC

Sandra (Carpenter) Abbott,
Laredo, MO; TJC 1965

Leland R. Adams, Atchison, KS; TJC
1949

Ray Adams, Trenton, MO; TJC 1960

Franklin Dean Allnutt, Galt, MO;
Friend of NCMC

Richard G. Ashenfelter, Ft. Scott,
KS; TJC 1982

Nancy Jean (Grose) Barron,
Trenton, MO; TJC 1982

Joy Lea (Martin) Barton, Jefferson
City, MO; Friend of NCMC

Mary Ann (Bryant) Batson, Galt,
MO; TJC 1983

Glennys "Joan" (Miller) Bennett,
Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Marcia (Sonnich) Berry, Trenton,
MO; TJC 1959

Billy J. Beverlin, Paola, KS; TJC
1966

Karl R. Boehner, Las Vegas, NV; TJC
1986

Michael G. Boggs, Trenton, MO;
TJC 1985

**Katherine Marie (Kirkwood)
Bonta**, Trenton, MO; Friend of
NCMC

Imogene (Crawford) Brassfield,
Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

**Garnet Aline (Pederson)
Brassfield**, Fresno, CA; TJC 1939

Claudia Jean (Johnson) Caldwell,
Chillicothe, MO; TJC 1993

Jerry Eugene Chambers, Trenton,
MO; Friend of NCMC

Dawn Chase, Blue Springs, MO;
NCMC 2008

Loretta Irene Cole, Trenton, MO;
TJC 1987

Dallas R. Cox, Nickerson, KS;
Friend of NCMC

Barbara Ann (Eakes) Cox,
Nickerson, KS; Friend of NCMC

Marsha (Melson) Cox, Trenton,
MO; Friend of NCMC

Rev. Robert E. "Bob" Darby,
Spickard, MO; Friend of NCMC

Judith Mae "Judy" (Tracy) Darby,
Spickard, MO; Friend of NCMC

Richard Davidson, Trenton, MO;
TJC 1983

Richard L. "Dick" Davis,
Chillicothe, MO; Friend of NCMC

Rev. Fred "Freddie" Davis, St.
Louis, MO; Friend of NCMC

**Dorothy Darlene (Trammell)
Davis**, Trenton, MO; TJC 1983

Sarah L. (Ward) Dockery, Trenton,
MO; TJC 1971

Mary Lou (Hill) Duke, Trenton,
MO; TJC 1960

Karen Sue (Yates) Elyea,
Tallahassee, FL; Friend of NCMC

Clyde Foster, Trenton, MO; Friend
of NCMC

Melissa Louise Galbreath,
Lineville, IA; Friend of NCMC

Richard Gardner, Trenton, MO;
Friend of NCMC

Kevin Gates, Trenton, MO; TJC
1983

Arlie Marie (Hamilton) Gentry,
Kansas City, KS; TJC 1940

**Joan Lou "Joanne" (Rockwell)
Gilbert**, Chillicothe, MO; NCMC
1994

**Virginia Arlene (George)
Grisamore**, Chillicothe, MO; TJC
1973

Wendell Guess, Trenton, MO;
Friend of NCMC

Larry K. Hampshire, Sedalia, MO;
NCMC 1996

Sandra D. Harris, Chillicothe, MO;
NCMC 1991

Alice M. (Morris) Hatcher, Galt,
MO; NCMC 2009

Shirley Ann (McClain) Holman,
Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

**PFC Jonathon Michael Dean
Hostetter**, Humphreys, MO; Friend
of NCMC

Dorothy Jean (Lapp) Howard,
Trenton, MO; TJC 1969

Jerry Daniel Hudson, Trenton,
MO; TJC 1953

Jacob W. Hughes, Trenton, MO;
Friend of NCMC

Stanley V. Hurst, Cameron, MO;
Friend of NCMC

Stanley P. Ingraham, Plattsburg,
MO; TJC 1969

Larry Jaynes, Trenton, MO; TJC
1985

Juanita Louise (Whitaker) Jobe,
Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Phillip Joiner, Pacifica, CA; TJC 1961

Eldon Jones, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Juanita Winifred (Lewis) Jones, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Phillip Joiner, Pacifica, CA; TJC 1961

Leona (Alderson) Keuhn, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Patsie A. (Allnutt) Kincade, Trenton, MO; TJC 1974

Rex King, Gilman City, MO; TJC 1946

Martin Shain Laffey, China; NCMC 2010

Marjorie Louise (Smith) Lockridge, Gallatin, MO; Friend of NCMC

Gwenda E. (Barnes) Looker, North Kansas City, MO; NCMC 2012

Michael Lotz, Trenton, MO; TJC 1986

Christina Michelle “Tina” Mapel, Olathe, KS; Friend of NCMC

Doris L. (Hopkins) Marshall, Tindall, MO; TJC 1941

Constance L. “Connie” (Boyd) Marcellus, Branson, MO; NCMC 1990

Kevin Dean McClafin, Trenton, MO; TJC 1985

Patricia “Pat” McConnell, Trenton, MO; NCMC 1993

Walter Max McIntosh, Cameron, MO; Friend of NCMC

Lori Ann (Thomason) Messner, Wichita, KS; TJC 1982

Herbert Vincent Meyer, Cape Girardeau, MO; Friend of NCMC

Velma A. (Shiflet) Mitchell, Chillicothe, MO; TJC 1983

Jennifer Lindsay (Buttrey) Mogler, Princeton, MO; Friend of NCMC

William (Junior) Mullenix, Trenton, MO; TJC Women’s Basketball Coach 1977-78

Ed Neptune, Chillicothe, MO; TJC 1985

James W. “Jim” Norris, Trenton, MO; TJC 1961

Donna E. (Squier) O’Loughlin, Melbourne, MO; Friend of NCMC

Larry Dean Peters, Independence, MO; TJC 1960-61

Doris (Sinclair) Pressler, Joliet, IL; TJC 1986

Edith Rollene (Daniels) Pritchett, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Fern Rains, Trenton, MO; TJC 1937

Francis L. Ray, Trenton, MO; TJC 1961

Joy Jeannine (Kemp) Richardson, Milan, MO; TJC 1970

Eula Fern (Taylor) Roach, Galt, MO; Friend of NCMC

Carl Richard Roda, Springfield, MO; TJC 1950

Vesta Lucille (Kinnison) Rogers, Liberty, MO; TJC 1943

Vanissa Michelle Rohrback, Crossville, TN; Friend of NCMC

Beverly May (Stottlemire) Schmidt, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Glenda Kay (Douglas) Scott, Ravenwood, MO; TJC 1972

Robert “Bob” Skinner, Trenton, MO; TJC 1940-41; member of the 1940 TJC Champion Basketball Team

Ella E. (Erp) Sorlie, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Vina Lee (McCloud) Spickard, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Harry C. Spray Jr., Jefferson City, MO; Friend of NCMC

Beverly A. (Harding) Thomas, Chillicothe, MO; TJC 1980

Jody M. (Smith) Thomas, Trenton, MO; TJC 1986

Venna Ruth (Chrisop) Thompson, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Ray Ulmer Jr., Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Jessie A. Warden, Tallahassee, FL; TJC 1936

Buford Whorton Whitney, Mission Viejo, CA; Friend of NCMC

Carolyn L. (Heathman) Whitney, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Sharon E. (Davis) Whitney, Trenton, MO; Friend of NCMC

Wanda Dale Wood, Dawn, MO; NCMC 1988

Richard Norman Woods, Trenton, MO; Assistant NCMC Men’s Basketball Coach 2003–2014

Carolyn June (Asman) Yoss, Butler, MO; TJC 1957

Holiday Hoops

A few months from now the Tenth Annual High School Holiday Hoops will tip off on the campus of North Central Missouri College in Trenton. "In honor of the tenth year, a total of 100 teams will take to the court of the Ketcham Community Center," said Hoops director Steve Maxey.

Maxey credits the interest in participation to a quality, well organized event and one that is supported so graciously by the entire community, even beyond Trenton. "Over 250 volunteers from Trenton and many surrounding communities will assist in many different aspects of the event and that adds to the effectiveness of Holiday Hoops," he said.

Several teams from new schools will participate for the first time this year including teams from Iowa and Nebraska with a Kansas entry yet to be confirmed. The remaining teams come from all over Missouri.

Twelve days of outstanding basketball will begin on December 18, 2014 with the final games played on January 3, 2015. Holidays and Sundays will be open dates with eight games played on many days and four games on others.

"A special commemorative program book will be offered this year and again, businesses and individuals from all over the state are committing to promote Holiday Hoops," said Maxey. "Lots of other special efforts are being planned," reported Maxey, "from a special commemorative shirt and hat, special entertainment and even some physical improvements being planned for the Ketcham Center to assist with

Bigger Than Ever

the increased crowds this year. And our steering committee was expanded to help support the planning and hosting," Maxey reported.

Sanctioned by the Missouri State High School Activities Association and the neighboring state associations, Holiday Hoops is sponsored by the North Central Missouri College Foundation and still holds the record for the largest high school holiday shoot-out in Missouri with all games played on the NCMC campus.



Every Gift Counts! Ways to Make a Difference

The NCMC Foundation appreciates all of your generous donations. We believe that every gift counts. With your support, we can make a difference for our students and for NCMC.

Here are a few ways one can give to the NCMC Foundation:

- Cash or credit card donations
- Gifts given in honor of individuals
- Memorial gifts
- Donations of stock
- Will bequests
- IRA charitable rollover (pending congressional approval for 2014)
- Charitable remainder trusts

Please consult with your tax accountant and/or your attorney to confirm these charitable donations and for information on the extended laws.

In addition to these donations of cash and/or assets, here are other ways for you to consider giving to the foundation that are at no cost to you:

- Smile.amazon.com donates 0.5% of the your eligible purchases to the NCMC Foundation.
- ItAllCounts provides a rebate on purchases made online to over 700 retail vendors (including Wal-Mart, Kohl's, Target, Best Buy and many others). Half of the rebate is credited to you and half to the NCMC Foundation
- MembersGive allows you to donate your American Express points to the NCMC Foundation.

Call the Foundation office at 660-359-3948, ext. 1403 to learn more about these giving options.

Notes from Nuttall



NCMC President Dr. Neil Nuttall

Alan Lakein once said, "Planning is bringing the future into the present so that you can do something about it now!" I am pleased to share with you that our college family has embraced strategic planning for almost ten years. I believe this planning has enabled our institution to make dramatic

improvements. This year, our leadership team is committed to our Objectives utilizing five Strategies as we seek to fulfill the Strategic Plan for 2012-2015.

In Objective 1, Strategy 1 is the next phase of our development of the comprehensive plan for Geyer Hall. I am pleased to share with you that we will officially launch our efforts this fall to raise funds to remodel historic Geyer Hall, the most exciting of which is the renovation to existing windows! We have a detailed plan that will transition this building into a Learning Center with classrooms. Electrical, plumbing, and heating/ventilation/air conditioning systems will each be upgraded. Classrooms and bathrooms will be remodeled, the outside of the building tuck-pointed, and new landscaping installed around the building.

This project is projected to cost \$3.5 million; however, we have already been provided two outstanding levels of support. Our first level was reached through the benefits of the Franklin and Fredrick Bosley estate—over \$1 million will launch this effort! In addition, the efforts of Senator Brad Lager and approval of the Missouri General Assembly will provide \$1.4 million to match this private donation! Missouri's Governor

Nixon has also supported this effort by allowing this appropriation to move forward (but under what we pray is a temporary withhold until the financial budget picture for the state becomes clearer). With the release of these funds, our goal is well within reach to bid this project as early as November 2014.

Objective 1, Strategy 2 calls for our leadership team to develop external and internal plans to enhance our current technological capacity. This will include our Webpage, a portal for administrative reports, Blackboard, and Sail. Chief Information Officer Alan Barnett will serve as our external chair and Dr. Kristen Alley will serve with Jason Ralls and our internal chairs.

Objective 2, Strategy 1 calls for our leadership team to promote technology. Technology facilitates assessment processes by developing a culture of institutional effectiveness based upon sets of dashboard items to be viewed each year in an annual report. Dr. Jamie Hooyman will lead this team with Tara Noah and Melody Shipley.

Objective 3, Strategy 1 calls for our leadership team to enhance distant learning services for our students by improving the quality of on-line courses and reporting on trending data. We will review the effectiveness of our Tegrity software and implement Quality Matters in our allied health programs. Our new Dean of Instruction, Dr. Sharon Weiser, will lead this team.

Objective 3, Strategy 2 calls for our leadership team to provide experiences that develop career readiness by examining ways to accommodate modular scheduling courses and awarding of credit. Other areas of focus will be implementation of apprenticeships and expansion of our skills enhancement program in our MoManufacturingWINS program. Jason Helton and Ashlea Buntin will lead this team.

We are excited about the future we seek to build, and we ask that you please consider ways that you can help NCMC achieve these lofty goals and invest in our efforts!

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Calendar

2014

August 18
August 21
August 29
October 11
December 5
December 17
December 18-20, 22, 23, 26,
27, 29-31 & Jan. 2-3

Fall Sessions begin
Foundation Board meeting
Foundation Golf Tournament
Alumni & Friends Gala
Fall Sessions end
Foundation Open House

High School Holiday Hoops

2015

January 2-3
January 12
May 4
May 7
May 9
June 1

High School Holiday Hoops
Spring Sessions begin
Spring Sessions end
Foundation Scholarship Reception
Commencement
Summer Sessions begin