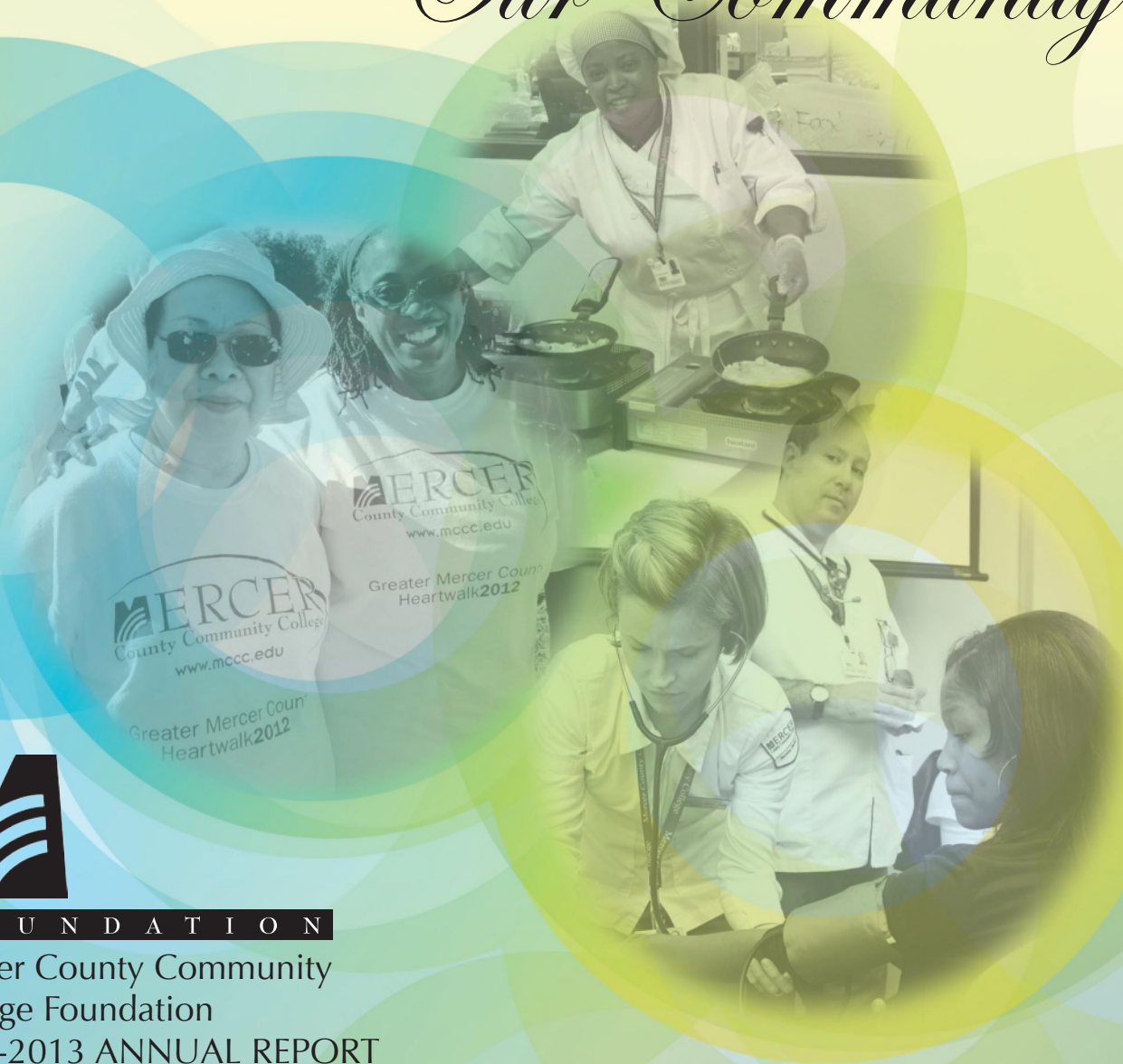


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Mercer County Community
College Foundation
2012-2013 ANNUAL REPORT

Our Mission

The Mercer County Community College Foundation is an independent nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to establish and carry out enrichment activities that support the mission of the college and the community it serves.

The Foundation's volunteer board members are college ambassadors who seek to develop community understanding and support of the college, its programs and services. They help to identify, screen and cultivate contributors, and to solicit donations.



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Mercer County Community College is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

Letter from the Chair

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hen you think of Mercer County Community College, you are likely to think of students seeking an affordable route to completing their associate degree as they prepare for the workforce or for transfer to a four-year school. On a more personal level, you are likely to recall neighbors, friends and children of friends who have attended Mercer. Perhaps your business associates have attended professional workshops at the MCCC Conference Center or have taken continuing education courses through the Center for Continuing Studies.

You might also think about your artist friend who enrolls in arts classes every semester and has exhibited work at the MCCC Gallery. You may be a theater enthusiast who enjoys shows at Kelsey Theatre. Maybe your children attended one of Mercer's popular summer camps. You might have a son or daughter who attends college elsewhere and has taken a summer or winter session course to earn credits that transfer back to their school.

In short, Mercer County Community College is so many things to so many people that we who serve on the Foundation Board cannot imagine this community without it. We support the college's mission every day – from annual fundraising events like the MCCC Golf Classic and Spring into Student Success, to the cultivation of donors who support capital projects and scholarships for our deserving students.

Supporting MCCC means supporting your community. Mercer is the best value for higher education for many students; we are a unique community resource; and we serve community members at every age and stage of their lives.

As the Foundation Board chair, I could not be more proud to put my time and energy into this institution. I thank everyone who has joined me in making the 2012-13 year a success.

Sincerely,



Nina D. Melker
Chair



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Foundation Board members, seated from left, Vice Chair Terry McEwen, Chair Nina Melker and Treasurer John Pavlovsky, Jr., with MCCC President Patricia C. Donohue; second row from left, Jamil Faridy, Pamela Hersh, J. Lynne Cannon, Lori Danko, Dr. Yong Sup Sim, HelenMarie Dolton, Anna Lustenberg, and Board of Trustees Chair Gwendolyn Harris; back row, from left, James Floyd, S. Anders Hedberg, Allen Silk, David Fraytak, Sr., Timothy Losch, Scott Needham, Robert Humes, and Foundation Secretary Ed Gwazda.

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Annual Giving Campaign

Now in its fifth year, the Foundation's Annual Giving Campaign received generous contributions from MCCC's trustees, members of the Foundation Board, alumni, faculty, staff and community members. Nearly \$44,000 was raised, meeting 97 percent of the campaign's goal.

A portion of these funds was awarded to support educational initiatives through Student Learning Improvement Grants. Three proposals were selected for 2012-13 that enabled MCCC faculty to pursue innovative projects to enhance learning and student success.

Adjunct Instructor Training Course – This project focused on the development of online resources to assist adjunct English instructors with curriculum content and strategies for teaching. Using Angel, a premiere educational software, Drs. Bettina Caluori and Edward Carmien developed the orientation materials, which cover departmental philosophy, learning outcomes established by the department, and activities to prepare faculty to apply departmental rubrics. Also included are tips for providing meaningful feedback on writing assignments and approaches for introducing challenging texts in class.

Twenty-seven instructors enrolled for the first online orientation session in Fall 2013. The online approach allows adjunct faculty members the flexibility to complete the orientation units at any time that suits their schedules.

English faculty members Edward Carmien and Bettina Caluori have developed online resources for adjunct instructors.



English faculty member Barbara Hamilton, standing, is pictured in the Learning Center with Jillian Borrow, one of MCCC's peer tutors.

Peer Tutoring – This project has created an MCCC Peer Tutoring Program, which is currently under review for certification by the College Reading & Learning Association (CRLA). The program addresses students' challenges in all levels of composition writing by training successful students to serve as peer tutors. The training provides skills, strategies, insight, and confidence-building for the peer tutors as well as support and mentoring after they begin work in the MCCC Learning Center.

English Faculty member Barbara Hamilton, who conceived and implemented this pilot program, reports that seven students completed the training in Fall 2012. She notes the mutual benefits of peer-to-peer tutoring, where the tutor serves as a mentor and reinforces his or her own academic skills and the tutee gets academic assistance from a fellow student whose own experience at Mercer can serve as a basis for trust and encouragement.

World Language Classroom – With the goal of creating a state-of-the-art learning environment, a classroom is being dedicated to the study of world languages using wireless Internet and a custom-designed, technologically-outfitted podium. According to faculty member Dan D'Arpa, coordinator of the Foreign Language program, the room is expected to be ready for the Spring 2014 semester for the study of Spanish, French, Japanese, Italian, German, Chinese and Arabic.

Mercer Celebrates “Spring Into Student Success”



In April, the MCCC Foundation hosted “Spring Into Student Success,” an annual celebratory fundraiser that honors community leaders and recognizes high-achieving scholarship recipients. This year more than 225 friends and donors attended the event, which was held at Mercer Oaks Catering. It raised critical dollars for scholarships and other financial support for MCCC students. The evening included music by an MCCC student jazz ensemble.

Co-chairs were Nina Melker, chair of the college’s Foundation Board, and Mercer County Freeholder Pasquale Colavita Jr.

A highlight of the “Spring Into Student Success” celebration was a special presentation that recognized two community partners who have been valued friends of MCCC and

strong supporters of higher education. (See facing page.)

In addition to student leaders from both campuses, five scholarship recipients attended with members of their families. Graduate Carmen Gates, a career changer who majored in Paralegal Studies and now works at a law firm, spoke on behalf of the scholarship recipients.



Drawing the winning raffle ticket is scholarship recipient Sonja Eccles, who is studying for a second career as a medical office assistant. She is pictured with, from left, Foundation Board member Jamil Faridy, and event co-chairs Nina Melker and Pat Colavita.



From left, students Timothy Hoffman, Anthony Borek, Jaqueline Goncalves, James Reisler-Wells and alumna Jana Wolf enjoy the festivities.



Student musicians included, from left, Jesse Becker, Chase Connolly and Tom Litwin.

“Spring Into Student Success” Honorees

Distinguished Benefactor Award

Wolcott Blair accepted the Distinguished Benefactor Award on behalf of the Friends of Trenton Mercer Airport's Sky's the Limit TTN Scholarship Fund, which has given generously to the college's Aviation students since the fund's inception in 2004.



Honoring MCCC partners, from left, event co-chair Pat Colavita Jr., honoree Wolcott Blair, Chair of the Mercer County Board of Freeholders John A. Cimino, honoree Michele Siekerka, event co-chair Nina Melker, and MCCC President Patricia C. Donohue.

Spirit of Education Award

Michele N. Siekerka, Esq., is a long-time member of the MCCC Foundation and has also served other educational organizations including the Eastampton Township Board of Education, the Robbinsville Township Board of Education, and the Trenton Public Education Foundation. She was a founding member of the Mercer County Bar Association's project to educate students about the impacts of bullying. Currently serving as an assistant commissioner at the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, she is the former president and CEO of the Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce.

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Recent graduate Carmen Gates, who spoke on behalf of scholarship recipients, is pictured with her son, Roman, a current Mercer student.

Golf Classic Continues to Generate Fans and Funds

Rainy weather did not dampen the spirits of 76 intrepid supporters who played golf for the Mercer cause in October. The **21st Annual Golf Classic**, hosted by the MCCC Athletics Department, was a good time for all as the college again enjoyed the facilities at Mercer Oaks Golf

Course in Princeton Junction.

The event raised approximately \$10,000 for the MCCC Student Athlete Scholarship Fund. The tournament is held in memory of Dr. Cynthia Schaffer, who served on the MCCC Foundation Board and was deeply committed to youth sports.

Following the tournament, guests joined together in the Mercer Oaks ballroom for dinner. The celebration included the presentation of awards, as well as a silent auction.

Community members who participated on the Golf Tournament Committee included: Victoria Baldwin of

Fulton Bank (formerly The Bank); Doug Borden and Jeff Perlman of Borden Perlman Insurance Company; Dave Fraytak of Fraytak Veisz Hopkins Duthie; Tom Kull; Nina Melker of The Bank of Princeton; Scott Needham of Princeton Air Conditioning Inc.; and Steve Ritzau.



Pictured, from left, Golf Committee member Steve Ritzau, MCCC Athletics Director John Simone, Vice President for Academic Affairs Guy Generals and committee member David Fraytak Sr.



Athletes representing MCCC's nine sports teams came out in force to greet participants and assist at the tournament.

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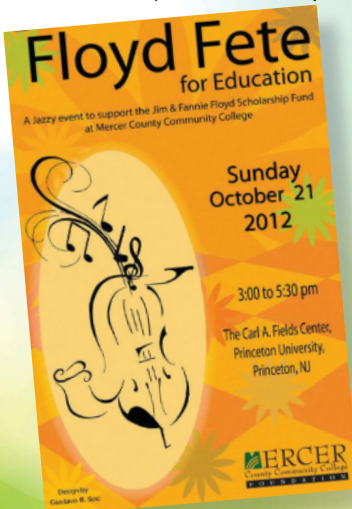
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Floyd Fete 2012 Is Lasting Testimony to Community Leader

The generous spirit of Foundation Board member Jim Floyd was once again on display as the college hosted the third of the three-year Floyd Fete for Education scholarship initiative in October. Approximately 125 friends, family and other sup-



porters gathered at Princeton University's Carl A. Fields Center. Against a backdrop of jazz music provided by a quartet of student and alumni musicians, the college paid homage to a man who has served on the Foundation Board for more than 30 years and has made education and social justice the cornerstones of his civic endeavors.

Co-chairing the event were Shirley Satterfield and Foundation Board member Robert Humes. Also participating were Princeton Borough Mayor Yina Moore and Princeton Township Mayor Chad Goerner.

A total of \$148,000 has been raised since 2010 to provide critical scholarships to students whose education



Jim Floyd, center, is pictured with students, from left, James Reslier-Wells, Jos Mathiang, scholarship recipient Erika Morillo and Anderson Monken.

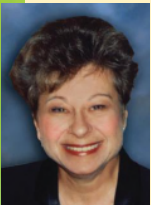
would not be possible without this support. Advertising/Graphic Design student Erika Morillo was the 2012 Floyd scholar, who described the funding as critical.

Winner of the poster design contest (pictured left) was Gustavo Soc. Posters by three other students, Jessica

Crawford, Jarrett Case, and Maheen Ahmed, received honorable mentions.

Other highlights of the day included a performance by "Around Eight," an a cappella group from Princeton High School, and several numbers performed by Minister William D. Carter III.

Tribute Garden Honors Memory of Professor Mary Hayes



More than 50 staff and faculty members, family members, former students and friends gathered in May for the dedication of the Mary Hayes Tribute Garden on the college's West Windsor Campus. The garden includes a gazebo, walkway, paving and numerous plantings, and was planned and installed by students in the

MCCC Horticulture program over 18 months. It was made possible through a \$35,000 multi-year donation by Hayes' sister, Joan Silver.

Mathematics Professor Art Schwartz, one of Hayes' long-time colleagues, represented the faculty at the ceremony as he recalled her tremendous impact as part of the MCCC community. Professor Hayes taught Mathematics and Computer

Science at Mercer from 1980 until her retirement as a Professor Emerita in 2006.

Ornamental Horticulture Program Coordinator Amy Ricco described the valuable learning opportunity and team work the project afforded Horticulture students. Their work included initial designs, basic landscaping and landscape construction. Program alumni also contributed to the project.



Horticulture students participated from the planning to the paving to the planting.

Honoring Mercer Basketball Legend Howie Landa

Players, friends and fans came from across the country to pay tribute to former men's basketball coach Howie Landa when the college unveiled Landa's name on the basketball court in the West Windsor Campus gym in September. Approximately \$27,000 has been raised towards the college's \$50,000 goal for the Howie Landa Tribute Fund to benefit MCCC's athletic program. Many of the 200 guests in attendance are now coaches at the college and high school levels, and in youth leagues.

As several speakers noted, when future students ask about the name on the court, they will learn the storied history of the Vikings basketball program under Coach Landa – when the team went to the national tournament six times and won the national title twice (1973 and 1974). Landa retired in 1987.

Landa Committee members included Chair Al Leister, who served as MCCC athletics director during much of the Landa era; George O'Gorman, a long-time Trentonian sports-writer; Physical Education Professor Bob Pugh, a Landa assistant for six seasons; current Athletics Director John Simone; current basketball coach Howard Levy; MCCC trustee Robert DiFalco; former Landa assistants Bill Panella and Charles Smith; and academic counselor Fred Weiner.

A highlight of the event was the unveiling of two paint-



Landa, center, brought his own memorabilia to share with his former players. Pictured, right, next to Landa, is former assistant coach Charles Smith.



Coach Landa is pictured with long-time friend and colleague Professor Mel Leipzig, who did two paintings in Landa's honor.

ings by MCCC Fine Arts Professor Mel Leipzig, Landa's long-time colleague and friend. In homage to Landa's impact on the next generation of coaches, Leipzig created a large-scale painting depicting three current young MCCC coaches: Erin Cahill (women's cross country), Miles Smith (assistant men's basketball coach), and Jane Berlinger (assistant women's basketball coach). A second painting that Leipzig presented as a gift to Landa captured a famous photo of Landa himself as a young coach with the current young coaches in the background.

The Landa Tribute Fund continues to accept donations. More information is available at www.mccc.edu/give or by calling the Foundation Office at 609-570-3659.



Members of the 2012-13 men's and women's basketball teams are pictured on the Howie Landa court. Pictured, back row, far right, is men's coach Howard Levy.

New Jersey Corporations Support Student Success at Mercer

During the year, the college received key funding from corporations that demonstrated their commitment to the community and to the workforce by supporting teaching and learning at Mercer.



Students work in a state-of-the-art chemistry lab at the Trenton Campus.



Restauranteur Jim Nawn and Agricola Chef Josh Thomsen, pictured back row left, with MCCC instructor Frank Benowitz and culinary students.



Five fashion students received scholarships from Gap Inc. as part of the "Skills for America's Future" scholarships. Pictured, from left, are Ambreen Zaidi, Christina Guillaume, Alysha Mooring, Melissa Chell, Fashion Program Coordinator Allegra Ceci and Gap Regional Manager Lori Ann Diaz. (Not pictured: scholarship recipient Pina Succi.)

Highlights of Major Corporate Giving

- New Jersey Manufacturers included MCCC in its 100th anniversary celebration by committing a gift of \$100,000 to the college's Trenton Campus expansion. According to NJM's President and CEO Bernie Flynn, the donation is an investment in the New Jersey workforce.
- Bristol Myers Squibb donated \$20,000 to equip the Trenton campus's chemistry labs as part of the company's continuing effort to enhance science education in the county.
- Dow Jones & Company continued its ongoing support with an unrestricted gift of \$10,000.
- PNC Bank donated \$9,000 to provide scholarships to Boys and Girls Club members to attend MCCC.
- PNC Bank donated \$5,000 for new business courses and technology at the Trenton campus, with an emphasis on global business.
- Agricola Community Eatery, a new restaurant in Princeton, is already making a philanthropic mark on the community with a \$3,000 donation for students studying Culinary Arts.
- Gap Inc. donated \$3,750 for scholarships to MCCC's Fashion Design and Fashion Merchandising students as part of the "Skills for America's Future" project.

Scholarship Highlights

Top Continuing Students Recognized at October Ceremony

In a celebratory event that recognized both the academic achievements of students and the generosity of donors, MCCC welcomed approximately 150 guests to the West Windsor Campus for the Continuing Student Recognition Ceremony in October. A total of 124 awards were presented. President Patricia C. Donohue acknowledged the critical role of donors who make the educational journey possible for many students.

Among the donors who came out to meet their student recipients were Marcy Beck for the Fessler-Dowd Biology Laboratory Excellence scholarship; Robert Bonnazi for the Bonazzi Foundation, which supports future science teachers; Foundation Board member Jim Faridy for Architecture students; Jim Floyd, who presented the Jim and Fannie Floyd Education Scholarship; Nadia Kopcho and her family for the Ronald J.

Kopcho Memorial Scholarship, presented to a student studying psychology; Dr. John Santosuosso, vice president of the Professors Emeriti Association, who presented scholarships to two students; and Dr. Thomas Wilfrid, president of the Professors Emeriti Association, for the Charlotte Newcombe Foundation, which supports students studying Nursing and other health professions.

Hotel, Restaurant and Institution Management (HRIM) students continued to benefit from multiple sources of donor generosity. The Chef Anne Lumberger Memorial Scholarship was presented to Natalie Russano; the Laurenti Charitable Trust Scholarship was awarded to Nareerat Rattanachaisuwan; and the Merrill Lynch Hospitality Scholarship was presented to Christie Gonzalez. The HRIM program again partnered with local restaurants and food service companies to cover costs

for 11 students' chef whites, as well as additional college costs. Contributors included Blue Bottle Café, Ergo Chef LLC, Elements, Griggstown Farm, Mercer Oaks Catering, Nassau Inn, RC Fine Foods, Sysco Foods, Terra Momo Restaurant Group, Tre Piani, and Wegmans Food Markets, Inc.



Professor Emerita and retired Chair of the Nursing Program Helen Marie Dolton presented the Mary Scarano Nursing Scholarship to Nicole Doram. Dolton is an active member of the MCCC Foundation Board.



From left, Rory Philipson, owner of the Blue Bottle Café, with scholarship recipient Ray Montero and President Patricia C. Donohue. Blue Bottle Café was one of 11 donors to provide Chef Jacket scholarships to students in the Hotel, Restaurant and Institution Management program.



Theatre/Music student Jonathan Cintron was the recipient of a scholarship from the James Tolin Memorial Fund (JTMF), represented by Tracy Antozzeski. JTMF presents performances at Kelsey Theatre each year to fund the scholarship. "We do it for James," said Antozzeski, who was a friend of the talented James Tolin, who died in 2002. A second student, Amariss White, also was awarded a JTMF Scholarship.

High-Achievers Graduate with Scholarships for Next Phase

The college saluted 100 top graduates at the annual Honors Convocation that preceded commencement on May 23. Academic awards and scholarships were presented by MCCC faculty, administrators and generous donors before a capacity crowd of family and friends at Kelsey Theatre.

Education graduate Laymon Flack is congratulated by Associate Professor of Philosophy Ken Howarth. Flack is the first recipient of the Saul Goldwasser Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in Philosophy, established in memory of the beloved long-time MCCC professor who passed away in 2012. Professor Goldwasser taught philosophy at Mercer from 1965 to 2004, and then served as the director of the Mercer County Holocaust/Genocide Resource Center. Flack is continuing his education at the University of Hartford.



Physics graduate Robert Albertson was the recipient of multiple awards, including the Professor Betty Cornelius Mathematics Excellence Scholarship. Albertson served as president of the Math Club and is continuing his education at The College of New Jersey. Also pictured are, from left, Vice President for Academic Affairs Guy Generals, Dean of Science and Health Professions Linda Martin, Jeffrey Cornelius, who established the Betty Cornelius Scholarship in memory of his wife, and President Patricia C. Donohue.

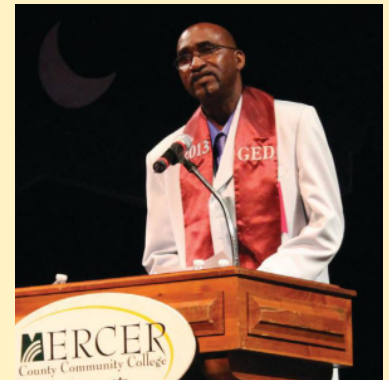
Trenton Campus Celebrates 25 Years of Achievement

In May, the college recognized the achievements of 175 students who made the Trenton campus their central place of learning. Graduation candidates included 55 associate degree students, 65 General Education Development (GED) students, 20 Career Training Institute (CTI) students, 15 English Language Institute (ELI) students, and 20 HomeFront students.

Ten students were the recipients of Foundation scholarships, which are enabling them to continue their pursuit of education at Mercer.



Charity Adiah, second from left, and Kevin Parham were recipients of scholarships from the Urban League of Trenton for high academic achievement. The award is designed to encourage returning adult minority students to continue their education and earn their degrees. They are pictured with Foundation Board member Robert Humes, left, and Board of Trustees Chair Dr. Gwendolyn Harris.



Scholarship recipient George Thomas spoke on behalf of the 65 GED graduates, MCCC's largest class ever. "My teachers had faith in me when I didn't have faith in myself," he said. Mr. Thomas is among the 25 percent of GED graduates who are continuing their studies at Mercer.

Professor Mel Leipzig Establishes Artistic Legacy at Mercer

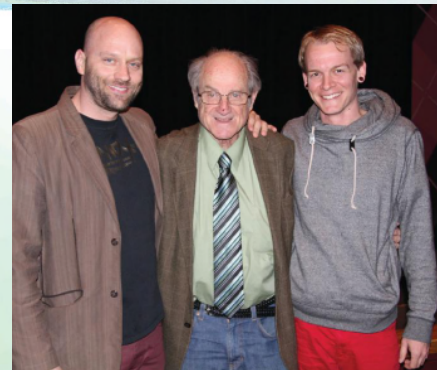
Renowned artist Mel Leipzig, who retired in May after teaching at Mercer for 45 years, touched countless lives during his teaching career. He is well known for bringing out his students' unique talents and giving them the confidence to pursue their own creative visions. Professor Leipzig also chose to regularly feature the college's faculty, staff and students as his subjects, and counts more than 100 portraits and campus scenes in his considerable body of work. He would always say that he only painted those he liked. Clearly, he liked many among the Mercer family.

Professor Leipzig also was generous with his time and in-depth knowledge of art history. He was a regularly featured speaker in the college's Distinguished Lecture Series and presented four slide lectures at the Trenton Campus during his final year at Mercer.

Professor Leipzig established an endowed scholarship in 2006. Each year, he has presented the award to a graduating student for excellence in Fine Arts who is transferring to a four-year school to continue his or her art studies.



Guadalupe Reyes, who earned her first Mercer degree in Business Management in 2010, completed her second degree in Fine Arts in May. This year she was the recipient of two prestigious Fine Arts scholarships: the Jack Harris Memorial Scholarship and the Mel Leipzig Scholarship.



Two of Professor Leipzig's former students, Joe Gagliardi, left, and Jonathan Howarth, returned to the college to listen to Professor Leipzig's last lecture, during which he reviewed his full body of work from age 17 to the present day.

Generous Donors Help WWFM Share Music with Growing Fan Base

With continued generosity from its dedicated listeners, WWFM the Classical Network enjoyed another banner year of providing a varied and eclectic mix of classical music programming to a growing audience of loyal listeners. The station received \$10,000 from the Edward T. Cone Foundation this year to continue its HD expansion into New York City, following the foundation's generous gift of \$20,000 last year.

The Classical Network acknowledges the founding members of its Continuo Circle, who supported the station with donations of \$1,000 or more, as well as the group of family funds and foundations that have provided gifts of \$1,000 to 5,000: The Broughton Foundation, The William and Nancy Lifland Fund, The Pheasant Hill Foundation, The Roswell Foundation, The Sunup Foundation, and The Richard and Gail Ullman Charitable Fund.

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FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2012 - JUNE 30, 2013

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Contributions	404,778
Support and Revenue	716,597
*Total contributions	\$1,121,375

Scholarships/Awards	327,207
Special Events	39,502
Programs and Activities	184,712
Total expenses	\$551,421

Changes in net assets	569,954
Net assets, beginning of year	7,691,328
Net assets, end of year	\$8,261,282

**Funds raised by the MCCC Foundation are used for current students and earmarked for multi-year capital projects and endowments.*

Unaudited figures. Audited reports available upon request.



Established in 1966, Mercer County Community College is a publicly-assisted comprehensive educational institution that provides opportunities for higher education through an open-door admission policy. Mercer is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. The New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education has authorized Mercer to award the associate degree. The college offers 70 associate degree programs, 30 credit certificate programs and a variety of noncredit programs.

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