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from our president



When did you get your opportunity? Many of us can point to a specific time, place or person that gave us an important piece of information, buoyed our confidence, or provided some other support that allowed us to make the most of an opportunity.

While colleges often enjoy the credit for the success of our graduates, we can't overlook the significant role that parents, the community, or an employer play in each student's triumph. The level of commitment the student brings or the struggles he or she has overcome are also major contributors to achieving success. College, if accessed at the right time in your life, plays an important role in personal and professional development. However, it is the unity of all of these components that truly allows a person to make the most of his or her opportunity.

Northern Maine Community College has been fortunate to be part of a community that supports the growth and development of its people for 50 years. Our role is enhanced by the confidence and support the community gives the college. Our work is to take the cultural, financial and political capital afforded to us and focus it on our students. It is that focus that allows our students to make the most out of their opportunity.

Our greater community is enhanced by recognizing the role we play in the development of the students who come through our front door. Their opportunity is our opportunity. We understand it is a privilege, a responsibility and an honor to have a positive impact on these students.

NMCC is grateful to all that have put their faith in our ability to provide them a quality education and help them to attain their goals. We are also grateful for the extraordinary support that organizations such as our NMCC Foundation, Alumni & Friends Organization, General Advisory Council and program advisory committees play in helping us assist each of these students in making the best of the opportunity afforded them by coming to NMCC.

Thank you for your continued and unwavering support.

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President Timothy Crowley

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the tradition

The Northern Maine Center for Excellence in Alternative Energy Training and Education enables students to reap the benfits of state-of-the-art tools and experiences. Opening the center was made possible through significant donations from some of the College's avid supporters. The addition of a ten kilowatt residential wind turbine has allowed students to have trueto-industry hands-on experiences.

As the country's most northeastern community college, geography and climate ideally position NMCC to engage in the national dialogue on energy. More importantly, innovation and leadership on the part of faculty, students and administrators place the College at the forefront of efforts to spur an emerging industry cluster centered on alternative energy and conservation.

For starters, the College attracted financial support for such initiatives to the tune of more than \$1.7 million, including the largestever private donation to a Community College in Maine. The \$1.2 million gift from California resident and Presque Isle native Mary Smith in memory of her late husband Rodney Smith, along with funding through Efficiency Maine and MaineHousing, as well as directed campus resources, have propelled NMCC forward.

THE COLLEGE OPENS A NEW CENTER

"Our efforts to introduce new curriculum and to bring together a key group of stakeholders around the areas of alternative energy and conservation have garnered significant support and have advanced considerably," said NMCC President Timothy Crowley. "The collaborative effort we have led serves as a direct investment in the future of our region."

Nowhere is that investment more evident than in the newly opened Northern Maine Center for Excellence in Alternative Energy Training and Education. The facility, located a short distance from the NMCC campus in the Skyway Industrial Park, features both classroom and laboratory space for students in several programs at the College. Newly purchased equipment in the center provides for experiential learning opportunities in various alternative energy resources including wind, solar and biomass.

of creative thinking

NMCC LEADS WITH NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN GREEN ENERGY



In addition to serving as a learning laboratory for students, the center is key to regional efforts to spur an emerging renewable energy economy in northern Maine. A facility like the one created by the College was cited in a Mobilize Maine initiative report as necessary to ensuring a qualified workforce is readily available to support efforts to launch Aroostook County's new economic driver – renewable energy. The effort, led by the Aroostook Partnership for Progress, has been advanced significantly as a result of NMCC's efforts.

Since the Center's official grand opening in April it has been abuzz with activity. Over the summer the facility became home to northern Maine's Weatherization Training Center – one of only four in Maine. A pressure house, installed through a \$220,000 Maine-Housing grant, now provides training to support weatherization auditing and technicians. NMCC's alternative energy center and classrooms, as well as the labs that house the building construction and wind power technology programs on campus, are also being transformed as a result of a \$225,000 grant from the Efficiency Maine Trust, resulting in new technology and curricula with greater emphasis on green energy, building methods, energy audits and weatherization.

The new alternative energy equipment covers a wide gamut. Included are learning stations equipped with solar panels, residential biomass boilers, and numerous trainers for students to learn the science behind energy production. Among the most visible new teaching tools utilized by students is a ten kilowatt residential wind turbine installed at the alternative energy center. The \$55,000, 80 foot tall unit was purchased with Smith funds through a local vendor.

"This is a most valuable teaching tool for our students and instructors,"

said Crowley. "The immediate access to hands-on learning opportunities this residential turbine provides will enhance the efforts of our instructors and will complement other technologies in solar and biomass energy in the alternative energy center."

RAISING AWARENESS

The significant efforts by NMCC in the areas of alternative energy, conservation and weatherization have gained impressive regional, state, national and even international attention. The College was selected as one of only 22 nationwide and the only school in the northeast to host a "Focus the Nation" clean energy forum held on the campus in early March. Officials from the Portland, Oregon-based non-profit organization that selected NMCC hailed the event, which attracted more than 100 participants, as one of the most successful in the country. Information shared at the day-long student-led session, including identified roadblocks and solutions to moving the renewable energy industry forward in Maine and nationally, were in turn shared with the White House.

Students and instructors in NMCC's wind power technology program also took their message to Augusta on more than one occasion. The work initiated at the College was prominently featured on Maine Wind Day at the state capitol in March. Later that same month, two NMCC students were asked to testify before a legislative committee on the impact of the wind industry in the state.

Those two students, Benjamin Dutil and Matthew Melcher, were among the first 14 in New England to earn associate degrees in wind power technology within the region. In May, NMCC awarded the credential to its inaugural graduating class of wind technicians.

The graduates were prepared to work on wind turbines both on and off-shore, in part as the result of special training offered through a partnership agreement between NMCC and Maine Maritime Academy. Alumni of the pro-



Former Govenor Angus King with Benjamin Dutil at Focus the Nation.

gram are now working in the industry here in Maine and in other parts of the country.

INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION

The efforts to train wind technicians at NMCC caught the attention of the industry internationally. In late May, three German wind companies announced the donation of \$28,000 worth of tools and equipment to wind power technology instructor Wayne Kilcollins at the American Wind Energy Association WINDPOWER Conference and Exhibition in Anaheim,

California.

"This is wonderful news and a huge boon to our program," said Kilcollins. "To have our efforts recognized by three leading international companies in the wind industry speaks volumes to the work that is happening at Northern Maine Community College and across the State of Maine in terms of development of wind projects."

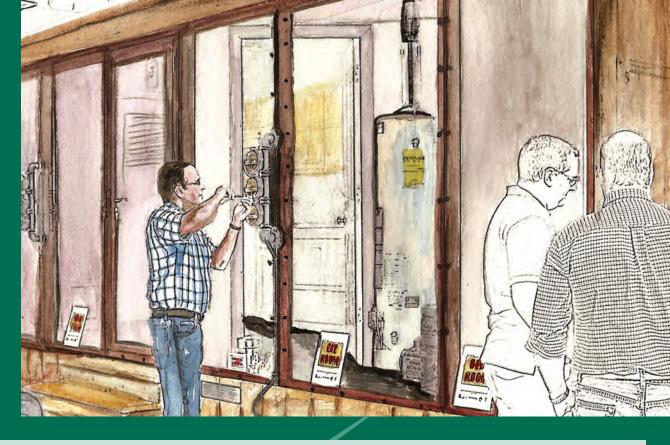
In August, NMCC's efforts in alternative energy and conservation garnered national attention when a representative from the SEED (Sustainability, Education and Economic Development) Center of the American Association of Community Colleges visited campus to see and hear firsthand about efforts to develop curriculum in the area of alternative energy. The information appears in a profile/case study featured nationally through SEED and highlights NMCC efforts along with the top two-year schools in the nation focused on developing curriculum in the area of alternative energy.

One of the key themes in the NMCC success story is the collaborative effort by the College and regional economic development organizations and private industry to expand the alternative energy opportunities in northern Maine. College officials were also invited to share their success story on a national webinar hosted by the SEED Center.

Innovation will continue moving forward, as NMCC further invests in curriculum expansion in the areas of alternative energy and conservation. Focus in the coming year will center on how the College can support new and emerging business ventures in the region that advance the industry cluster.

Jeff Freeman (left), president of PLARAD Bolting Technology, Inc., traveled to NMCC to tour the College's wind power facilities and to demonstrate the use of the equipment his company donated to wind power technology instructor Wayne Kilcollins and his students. The company manages the North American markets of PLARAD, one of three German companies that donated wind power equipment to the College.

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a green transformation

When it comes to energy conservation, NMCC isn't just talking the talk. The "green transformation" launched a few years ago on campus, designed to both reduce energy costs and the College's carbon footprint, is now paying dividends. And, efforts to reduce energy costs and embrace alternative energy sources are about to be significantly enhanced as construction is underway to install a new biomass boiler to provide heat to two of the largest building complexes on campus.

Altogether more than \$3 million has been invested to make the campus more energy efficient. The scope of the work completed ranges from building and lighting upgrades to mechanical renovations and insulation and building controls installation. A year after completing of much of the work, the College is looking at initial savings that exceed projections.

Under the agreement with Honeywell, the company performing much of the efficiency work, and following a comprehensive energy audit and resulting work to help maximize energy efficiency, College officials were guaranteed a certain minimum dollar amount in savings each year for the next 15 years.

Initial savings for the first year under the project were set at \$73,000, inclusive of both electrical and fuel consumption reductions realized as a result of the extensive energy conservation work completed. Preliminary figures for the first year show actual savings at \$125,000. That number includes a reduction of \$90,000 in fuel costs - 30,000 fewer gallons of number 2 fuel oil over the year before the energy conservation work was completed. The College also saw a reduction in its electrical usage in the same time period that resulted in \$35,000 worth of savings. The significant energy savings are the result of numerous efficiency upgrades made to campus facilities since the program was initiated in early 2010, including adding to the insulation value of numerous buildings, changing the control systems to allow for better controlled temperatures in specified areas, and upgrading interior and exterior lighting on campus.

In addition to the projects undertaken through contract with Honeywell, two other building upgrades at NMCC, funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, have added to energy savings on the campus.

A project is now underway to install a \$900,000, one megawatt pellet boiler in the Mailman Trades Building, which houses many of the trade and technical occupations programs at the College. In addition to providing heat for the Mailman Building, work includes underground piping to connect the biomass system to provide heat for the Christie Complex, the largest classroom building on campus that also houses administrative offices.

The biomass boiler project was made possible through a \$500,000 grant from the Maine Forest Service. Once fully operational in 2012, the unit is designed to displace 50,000 gallons of number 2 fuel oil with wood and/or grass pellets. Initial projections peg annual savings to the College at \$70,000.

an employer with heart

An important part of the mission of Northern Maine Community College over the years has been to provide the training and education for the people of Aroostook County, helping them gain the skills they need to work and prosper right here in their own backyard.

The College has helped prepare a large number of workers across The County, from nurses and plumbers to childcare professionals, secretaries and business professionals. Perhaps just as significantly, NMCC also plays the role of an employer in the region, giving alumni and others the chance to work in their chosen professions in the place they want to live and call home.

NMCC employs 100 full-time faculty and staff, more than 35 of whom are also graduates of the institution. The college employs another 53 workers, primarily instructors, on a part-time basis. For these employees, the College provides both professional opportunities as well as personal ones.

A Rewarding Work Environment

"NMCC has offered me a position that allows me the opportunity to now work with students and people of all ages to better their education, which is rewarding to witness. I am appreciative of being hired here and love the atmosphere I now work in," said Heidi Graham of Mapleton, who joined the staff in the financial aid office in 2010.

Graham is a 1984 graduate of the executive secretarial science program at Northern Maine Vocational Technical Institute, a forerunner of NMCC. In addition to being a graduate herself, her sons Jake and Dusty both earned degrees from the College's liberal studies program. Heidi and her husband Tim's youngest child, daughter Mandy, is in middle school.

Close to Everything

While Graham is a recent addition to the College, instructor Guy Jackson is winding down his three decades at the institution. During his tenure, he has been the lead instructor for the residential construction program and has led the building of 30 homes. He retired at the end of the spring 2011 semester, but is still doing some work at the College to help transition his former program to new leadership.

"There is a great deal of personal satisfaction and feeling of achievement that comes from teaching, having the opportunity to pass my knowledge and skills on to future generations is truly what it's all about," said Jackson.

Jackson is a 1979 graduate of then Northern Maine Vocational Technical Institute's carpentry program. He comes from a large family of 18 children that certainly understood the value of education, with 12 of them, counting Jackson, earning degrees at two or four year colleges. Although his siblings are spread across the country, Jackson opted to stay in Aroostook County because he enjoys the way of life here. He has made more trips canoeing down the Allagash than he can remember, and he is an active member of his local snowmobile club, where he helps groom the trails for everyone's enjoyment.

Jackson and his wife Norma are the proud parents of three children, two of whom still live and work in the area. Son Mike works for Griffeth Ford in Presque Isle, while daughter Erica is employed by Sitel. Jackson's step-son, Devon Watson, teaches at Kennebec Valley Community College. In addition to raising their own family, the couple have fostered or provided respite care for more than a dozen children.

Raising a family in the County

David Raymond is a colleague of Jackson's at the College. He is a humanities instructor who joined the College in 1990 and was named the chair of the arts and sciences department last fall. In addition to the satisfaction of sharing his knowledge and perspective in such areas as history and ethics, Raymond has garnered personal fulfillment from being able to spend time with his family. "NMCC has given me the opportunity to have a flexible schedule. I feel fortunate to have been able to attend all three of my children's events at school while they were growing up. I can count on one hand how many events I had to miss out on," said Raymond. "NMCC has given me the opportunity to watch my children grow up in Aroostook County."

Raymond and his wife Sara, a graduate of NMCC's practical nursing program, raised their family in Mapleton. Their youngest child, daughter Dara, is currently a first year student in NMCC's liberal studies program. Son Isaac, who has worked part-time for the College as a tutor, graduated from USM earlier this year and is back looking to work and live in The County. Oldest son Chris is completing his last year of a doctorate program in political science at the University of Missouri at Columbia.

Whether it be for its students or its employees, NMCC is an institution that supports families, offers opportunities, broadens horizons and makes a difference in the lives of not only the campus community, but in the region it serves.

"NMCC is a big family, an extension of ourselves—we all work together towards the same goal of creating a better institution not only for our students, but for everyone within the community," said Jackson.



a new hope

NMCC PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY TO DISPLACED WORKERS

The future looked pretty grim for 35-year-old Tanya Clark of Ashland in January 2009. That's when the mother of two, who had worked as a licensed grader at the Masardis mill, learned that she and nearly 200 of her co-workers at Fraser Timber Inc. sawmills in Ashland and Masardis were being laid-off for an indefinite period of time.

The circumstances were equally concerning for 28-year-old Guthrey York of Ashland who worked in several positions in the seven years he was at the Fraser mill in Ashland. York's wife was expecting a child at the time of the lay-off notice and that, coupled with a less than positive previous attempt at attending college, made him all the more apprehensive about the future.

Fast forward two years and Clark is now a medical assistant at Pines

Health Services in Presque Isle, and York an electrical maintenance professional at Naturally Potatoes in Mars Hill. They, along with more than a dozen of their former co-workers turned college students, are among the newest Northern Maine Community College degree holders and finding success in various careers.

The 18 students are part of one of NMCC's largest-ever graduating classes and were among 40 displaced workers who started at the College in March of 2009. At that time, NMCC offered an entire special semester of course offerings tailored to laid-off workers. The classes were designed mainly for those in the forest products industry who had received furlough notices in the days before or weeks after the traditional start of the College's spring semester in January.

"I don't really think I would have been able to go back to school, or might not have thought of going back had it not been for this opportunity. NM really worked with me to get me back in the flow of going to school and now into my new career," said Clark, who earned her degree in medical assisting and just recently became a registered medical assistant. "I am much more secure and confident that my job will exist in the future and I'm certainly putting my NMCC education to use."

More than just for her own sake, Clark, who is a mother of two sons – Kyler, a first grader and Logan, who is a sophomore at the University of Maine at Fort Kent – credits NMCC for instilling a true appreciation for higher education within her family.



STUDENTS FIND A NEW FUTURE AT NMCC

"It was very helpful for Logan to see me go to college. It encouraged him to do the same. Last year was pretty interesting as he began his first year of college and I continued to work toward my associate degree. I never thought my son and I would be going to college at the same time," said Clark.

NMCC took the unprecedented step of starting an entire semester off the traditional schedule to directly assist many of the individuals who qualified for Federal Trade Adjustment Assistance through the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration. From the time those impacted begin to draw down benefits, TAA offers up to 104 weeks, or two years, of occupational training and education assistance, with additional benefits provided if developmental courses are required.

"At first, I wasn't sure about going back to school. I never really had been into school much. It took me out of my comfort zone. But, after the first month or so I really got into it," said York. "This program (TAA) gave me the chance to go back to school and build a solid foundation for the future."

York earned his degree in electrical construction and maintenance and is just a few courses shy of completing a degree in wind power technology. He secured his new position at Naturally Potatoes after introducing himself to a hiring representative from the potato processing company at the NMCC Job Fair held on campus in March.

"I feel like my life is so much more stable now. I don't have to go to work every day wondering about being laid off, and if, for some reason, that would happen, I know I have the training and education to get another job," said York. "Going back to school at NMCC has been nothing but good for me." York has definitely come full circle in the past two years. His oldest child, daughter Taylor, was born on the same day as NMCC orientation, marking the beginning of this college career. Son Grant was born just weeks before graduation, sharing the same birth date as his father. Now, with a secure job, York and his wife Michelle have purchased three acres of land in Mapleton for their young family and plan to have their prefab home in place before winter.

"We never would have been in a position to do this without the changes that earning my degree from NMCC and gaining the skills for a higher paying, dependable job have brought to my life," said York.

The success of the displaced workers is celebrated both by the graduates themselves and the faculty and staff at the College who have watched the students succeed over the past two years. Many of the former mill workers became top academic achievers in their respective programs.

"We are especially proud of these students' academic accomplishments. They are true testament that when properly motivated and supported, people can do extraordinary things. We could not be prouder of all their accomplishments," said Dr. William Egeler, NMCC dean of students. The 18 graduates participating in the TAA program earned degrees in a wide array of subjects. From plumbing and heating and residential construction to business administration and accounting, the former mill workers are now finding themselves in new careers in professions they had only dreamed about a few years ago.

finding the way

PATRICK LUPIEN & MARIAH LEMIEUX-LUPIEN

When Patrick and Mariah met in 2002, neither could have predicted the changes their lives would undergo in less than a decade. The two became close friends and helped each other through the end of both of their marriages. "The pain we both went through brought us closer together," said Mariah.

"In 2005, my then husband kicked me and our son out two weeks before Christmas. The five year marriage was very abusive. When it was over, I had no job, no car, and no family."

Luckily, her best friend let Mariah and her son live with her for a year while she worked on getting her life together. She struggled with work and raising her son, losing her job in the fall of 2007 after missing work to be home with her sick child.

"I wanted more for my life than TANF benefits and public handouts. I wanted to be independent and be able to provide for my son," said Mariah. To reach that goal, she began taking classes at NMCC in the spring of 2008.

Meanwhile, Patrick went through his own breakup and was working in a job he disliked. Mariah, who was already attending NMCC, encouraged Patrick to join her. He had attended the College briefly after he graduated from Central Aroostook High School in 1997, but it didn't work out for him at that time.

"After a really bad week for him at work, I left an NM application and the \$20 fee in an envelope hidden on his desk. I figured when he found it, he could either go for it or just throw it away and spend the \$20 on something else," said Mariah. "I was so happy and excited for him when he made his choice." Patrick began taking classes part-time in the fall of 2008 and then went to full-time in the spring of 2009.

The two were married on December 5, 2009 at a friend's log cabin. They went on to graduate in 2011 from NMCC, Patrick with his associate's degree in computer electronics and Mariah with a certificate in computeraided drafting.

"NMCC has made many things possible for our family," said Mariah. "With this current job market, we both knew finding a stable, dependable job would be difficult, but with the help of a teacher. Patrick and a few others from his computer class had the inside track on a local, well-paying job. It wasn't easy keeping the faith. We only had \$500 left, not enough to pay our bills in July. Then Patrick got the call we had been waiting for. He was hired in late June at The County Federal Credit Union. His boss is wonderful, and those he works with are very nice people."

Patrick is working as an IT support technician for the bank. As for Mariah, at the time of this article, she is just days away from the birth of their son, Evan Patrick. While preparing for his arrival, she is also working toward her bachelor's degree from Ashford University Online College. She was able to transfer her credits and obtain junior status.

"Our plans are to stay in The County and, after Evan is old enough to go to school, for me to find a job," said Mariah. Meanwhile, she and Patrick are getting their finances together to buy a house. "I have no doubt that what Patrick and I have learned and experienced has made us more successful as individuals, setting good examples for our children and giving us the ability to be active as contributing members of our community."

KRISTINA (KENNESON) BRALEY

When Kristina Kenneson was contemplating college before graduating from Presque Isle High School in 2004, she not only had to decide where to go but what major would best serve her future.

"I chose NMCC because it came highly recommended by both friends that had either attended in the past or were still there, so I figured why not give it a try," said Kristina. "I wasn't sure at first what it was I wanted to study, and I knew accounting was an area that I could excel in; plus, I knew I wanted to stay in Aroostook County, so I chose accounting in hopes of getting a job that would not only pay well, but also allow me to stay here."

Once she was at the College, Kristina ended up earning her associate's degree in both accounting and business administration, while simultaneously working on her bachelor's degree from Husson University on the NMCC campus.

"NMCC really got things moving for me for my college career. It served as a good starting point for my career in accounting," said Kristina. "The people were my favorite part. The faculty and staff were easy to work with, and I really enjoyed the student/teacher interaction, with smaller classes providing

THE SUCCESSFUL PATHS OF OUR ALUMNI

more one on one attention."

Kristina graduated from NMCC in May of 2008 and began her career at DFAS (Defense, Finance and Accounting Service) in Limestone later that summer. She was hired into the Leaders in Motion Program, which she completed in January of 2011. Kristina is an accountant in the Accounts Maintenance & Control Directorate, in the General Funds Branch.

"I'm proud of getting my education, and personally, I'm proud of the family I've created," she explained. Kristina married husband Isaac Braley, a potato farmer, three years ago. They live in Chapman with their one year old daughter, two dogs and two cats.

"I think success is knowing you did all you could to achieve your goals and feeling good about what you're doing," said Kristina. Certainly Kristina can be considered a success no matter what the yard stick used to measure it.

DR. LEIGH "JACK" FORBUSH, D.O.

Jack Forbush was working as a firefighter and EMT when he made the decision to advance his career by

entering NMCC's nursing program. He continued to work full-time in his field while going to school and raising his two sons with his wife, Kristin.

"It was tough going to school, working full-time and trying to be a Dad all at once," said Jack. However, he is quick to point out that NMCC's "adult friendly" atmosphere helped a great deal, with instructors being understanding of demands outside of the classroom. "The personalized attention and education were invaluable."

After graduating in 1994, Jack began working at Houlton Regional Hospital before moving south in 1995 to prepare for medical school, having made the decision to continue on his educational path. He worked in emergency departments and intensive care units at Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. Southern Maine Medical Center in **Biddeford and Wentworth-Douglass** Hospital in Dover, NH. While working as an RN, he obtained several certifications, including CEN (Certified Emergency Nurse) and CCRN (Critical Care Registered Nurse).

While working full-time, Jack attended medical school at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. He graduated in 2001 and obtained board certification in both Family Medicine and Neuromusculoskeletal/Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine. He is a graduate of Eastern Maine Medical Center's Family Medicine Residency Program and EMCC's Fellowship in Neuromuscular Medicine/Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine. He currently owns and operates the Osteopathic Center for Family Medicine in Hampden, providing the full spectrum of family medicine, including internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and geriatrics. His particular areas of interest include applying the principles of osteopathy across the age spectrum and the incorporation of information technology in medicine.

"Professionally, the accomplishment of establishing my practice has been very satisfying and fulfilling," said Jack. "On a personal note, seeing my sons become men has given me great satisfaction."

Jack and Kristin have every reason to be proud. Their eldest son, also Jack, is following in his father's footsteps and is in pre-med at the University of New England. Youngest son Devin is in high school at Hampden Academy. And according to Jack, "Zeek, our dog, continues to focus his life on keeping us in line and scavenging for snacks whilst spending most of his day sleeping while pretending to offer security at our office."

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Both Kristina Braley and Dr. Jack Forbush were each chosen as one of NMCC's 50 Shining Stars as part of the College's 50th anniversary celebrations. See page 16 for more on the events of the celebrations.

nmcc through the years

1961 State of Maine receives about 87 acres of land, 51 buildings, roads, and complete sewer system at the former Presque Isle Air Base.

1961 Senator Augusta Christie, Representative Harold Stewart, and Senator E. Perrin Edmunds meet with a representative of the US General Services Administration seeking acquisition of a portion of the former air force base site for a VTI.

1961 June 17, the 100th legislature of Maine passes the bill L.D. 992, establishing Northeastern Maine Vocational Institute at the site of the deactivated missile base in Presque Isle. The Bill establishes the school and places a director (Keith Thompson); however, the doors cannot open to students without funding.

1962 Under the leadership of Senator E. Perrin Edmunds, L.D. 1542 is introduced and passes swiftly. It provides \$250,000 for the fiscal year ending 1962 to carry out the purpose of resolve 992.

1963 NMVI officially opens its doors to students in the fall with four programs: automotive services, carpentry, electrical construction, and practical nursing. There are approximately 45 students enrolled the first semester.

1964 16 old base buildings are torn down.

1964 Ralph K. Sylvester is appointed director after the retirement of Director Thompson.

1964 The institution's name is changed to Northern Maine Vocational Technical Institute; the sheet metal program is added.

1965 The State Board of Education chooses to name the proposed first permanent building on campus the Augusta K. Christie Building.

1965 The fall semester brings the addition of the auto body repair and secretarial science programs.

1966 Enrollment rises to 220 students, with 28 faculty members. Programs include construction drafting, auto body repair, automotive technology, building construction, electrical construction, masonry, practical nursing, secretarial science, sheet metal, and radio & television repair. Practical nursing and secretarial science are



BEST WISHES TO NORTHEASTERN MAINE VOCATIONAL INSTITUTE ON OFFICIAL DEDICATION OF FACILITIES PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN NORTHERN MAINE AND EXPANSION OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND SERVICE TO ECONOUN OF STATE. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND YOUR ASSOCIATES WHO HAVE SURMOUNTED DIFFICULT PROBLEMS TO BRING THIS PROGRAM TO REALITY. THIS SCHOOL WILL PLAY A VITAL PART IN THE FUTURE OF OUR AREA AND STATE GREETINGS TO ALL IN ATTENDANCE. WISH I COULD BE THE CONGRESSMAN CLIFFORD & MCINTIRE-

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NMVTI curriculum responds to needs of heating industry

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Rick St. Peter, plumbing and ating instructor at NMVTI, along ith Seth Gilman, dean of Adult ducation, and Richard West, depart-

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college to accept both sexes. **1968** A true library is established on campus for the first time in the former NCO mess hall. Previously, there had been a self-serve collection of books that could be borrowed on an honor system.

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Edward E. Hendrickson, are hired.

first assistant director. Richard Cillev.

in the fall. It is the first program at the

1969 NMVTI is using 25 former base buildings at this time and expecting to have all new buildings by 1980.

1969 Harold Mailman, who was the former coordinator of vocational education with the Bureau of Vocational Education in Augusta, becomes the new director.

1969 On May 9, NMVTI holds its first open house.

1969 A groundbreaking ceremony is held and construction begins on the Augusta K. Christie Building.

1970 On June 6, the referendum on the bond issue to fund the construction of a new dormitory to house 80-100 students (Andrews Hall) is passed by voters. Passage secures \$650,000, and soon drafting students begin collaborating with the architects on the preliminary design.

1970 Fall enrollment reaches 319 students; school Mascot changes from Wolverine to Falcon.

1970 A dedication ceremony is held on October 4 for the Christie Building.

1972 Andrews Hall is completed in time for fall semester occupancy.

1973 Enrollment at NMVTI reaches 400 during its 10th year in operation.

1974 NMVTI begins offering associate degrees for accounting and secretarial science.

1974 A new carpentry building is constructed, providing carpentry students with access to modern tools and a place to use them.

1977 A special election is held on December 5, 1977, authorizing the issuance of bonds to fund additions to several VTIs across Maine, including NM.

1978 On October 23, 1978, a groundbreaking ceremony is held and construction begins on a multi-perpose addition to the Christie Building that will house athletic facilities, classrooms, and a gymnasium.

1978 In November, Maine voters approved a \$2.1 million self-liquidating bond issue to fund the construction of an apartment complex including a dining commons.

1980 Planning and design for the remainder of the Mailman Trades Building begins. New construction will consist of a \$1,400,000 addition to the carpentry building.

1981 Richard M. Knight becomes the new director and James Patterson becomes the assistant director. During his tenure, construction of the trades building begins, and the campus adds the nursing and industrial electronics associate degree programs.

1981 On August 26, a groundbreaking ceremony is held for the remainder of the trades building. In attendance is Representative Edith S. Beaulieu, who authored the legislation for the bond issue from which the funding originated.

1984 The 1984 open house marks the 20th birthday of NMVTI. High school students and residents are invited to tour the campus.

1984 James Patterson serves as interim director until the fall when he became the official director.

1985 The Northern Maine Technical Education Foundation is established, a non-profit entity that raises and accepts funds to support NMTC students, as well as helps meet equipment and other college needs.

1986-87 \$2.5 million expansion of the campus is completed in two phases, on opposite ends of the Christie Complex.

1987 Durward R. Huffman becomes the sixth campus leader.

1987 The NMVTI soccer team wins the Maine Small College Conference State Championship.

1988 The NMVTI Basketball team wins the Maine Small College Conference State Championship.

1988 On April 29, the school motto is officially changed to "Toward Excellence."

nmcc through the years

NORTHERN MAINE

TECHNICAL COLLEGE

1989 The name is changed to Northern Maine Technical College. A new logo is adopted to express the new name and direction.

1989 On November 7, a \$20.2 million bond issue is passed by voters, granting NMTC \$3,684,000 for the construction of a new classroom and administrative building (Martin Building), as well as a new dormitory (Snow Hall). The remaining funds are to be used to make repairs on other buildings.

1991 A groundbreaking ceremony is held for the John L. Martin Building on November 8. The speaker of the Maine House of Representatives, John Martin, removed the ceremonial first shovel of earth.

1992 On April 27, a groundbreaking ceremony is held for Paris J. Snow Hall.

1993 Construction of Snow Hall is completed and the new building opens for occupancy by the start of the fall semester. A dedication ceremony is held on August 8.

1999 NMTC begins offering an Associate in Arts degree.

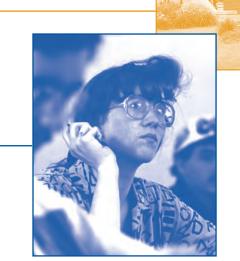
1999 In November, a bond issue is passed by voters, granting \$6.4 million for the Maine Technical College System, including \$3 million for the construction of a new library and conference center at NMTC.

2000 The fall semester marks the start of the early childhood education program.

2001 On June 11, the official ground breaking ceremony for the E. Perrin Edmunds Building takes place.

2002 NMTC receives a \$100,000 Betterment Fund grant to expand its nursing program to Houlton using distance technology.

2002 In April, Timothy D. Crowley is inaugurated as the seventh leader of the campus after serving as interim president since January. Approximately 300 students, employees, and community members attend the ceremony.



LIBRARY AND CONFERENCE

ADDITION

Technical College for the College System



Northern Maine Technical College



2003 On July 1, the school officially becomes Northern Maine Community College (NMCC). Atop Mars Hill Mountain, 15 representatives of the college await sunrise (4:42am) with a symbolic sundial. This is followed by a breakfast celebration after which Senators Dick Kneeland & John Martin unveil the new sign at the main entrance of the campus.

2003 The precision metals manufacturing program is offered beginning in the fall semester. The program is developed, equipped and implemented thanks to a \$850,000 grant from the US Dept. of Labor.

2003 On Sept 28, the new library and Conference Center is officially dedicated in memory of E. Perrin Edmunds.

2004 In April, the campus community gathers for the ceremonial burying of a time capsule by members of Alpha Beta Gamma, the honor society for business students.

2005 The College begins a new First Year Experience program with funding from the MELMAC Education Foundation in order to increase student retention.

2007 The NMCC Major Gifts Campaign is launched on February 28.

2007 A wire cutting ceremony on April 20 ushers in a new era of wireless technology on campus thanks to a \$25,000 donation from Katahdin Trust Company.

2007 A dedication ceremony for a new campus gazebo named for B. Jean Harding takes place on August 27. At the ceremony honoring his late wife, Floyd Harding announces his donation of \$1 million to NMCC for scholarship funding.

2008 On February 29, a major gifts campaign closing celebration is held. A donor wall, designed by Heidi Carter of Fort Kent and built by students and faculty is unveiled. At the ceremony, it is announced that the \$2 million goal was surpassed by half a million dollars. Donors and levels of giving were listed on metallic trees of varying size and color, all of which were placed on a oak cut out of Aroostook County.

2008 In October, a first-of-its-kind simulation center for nurses, allied health students and medical profes-









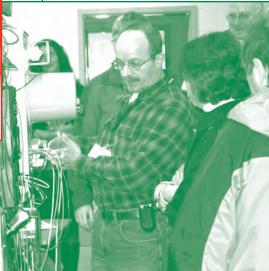
sionals in the northern part of the state opens on the NMCC campus. The center was made possible by Anthern Foundation's donation to the major gifts campaign.

2008 Fall semester brings the addition of the wind power technology program, the first program of its kind in New England. To get the program off its feet, \$10,000 is committed by Maine Public Service Company.

2009 Dozens of local and state officials gather for the opening and dedication of the Peter G. Hunt, Sr. Multi-Media Classroom, named after the late Aroostook County businessman. The former Christie Lecture Hall is re-opened with an attractive new look and new purpose as a 'smart' classroom that will support the growth of distance education.

2010 Several projects, designed to both reduce energy costs and the College's carbon footprint, are undertaken. The work represents an investment of more than \$2.25 million, and the scope of work completed ranges from building and lighting upgrades to mechanical renovations and insulation and building controls installation.

2011 The advancement of educational opportunities in alternative energy in Maine takes a leap forward with the opening of NMCC's Northern Maine Center for Excellence in Alternative Energy Training and Education. Equipment in the center will provide for experiential learning opportunities in various alternative energy resources including wind, solar and biomass. The center is possible due in part to a donation of \$1.2 million by Mary Smith in memory of her husband, Rodney.



50th celebrations

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1960's Kick-Off

The sights, sounds and tastes of the early 1960's were alive on the NMCC campus on January 12, as the College officially kickedoff its 50th Anniversary. Approximately 600 students, faculty and staff and community members were on hand for a 60's "sock hop" celebration. The two hour event, which spanned the lunch hour, included free burger and hot dog baskets, milk shakes, root beer floats and banana splits. Entertainment included D.J. Bob Collins, NMCC automotive collision repair instructor, spinning Rock 'n Roll hits from the era, as well as a number of live performances. Folks also had the chance to take to the dance floor to compete in the twist, the limbo and even a hoola hoop contest.





1970's Celebration

In April, the campus celebrated the decade of the 1970's as part of its 50th Anniversary activities. Highlight of the day was a Keystone Cop event, during which time various faculty and staff were "arrested" and had to spend time in "jail" in the Christie lobby until they were bailed out by students or their peers. The fundraiser raised more than \$400 for student organizations on campus.

Legislative Luncheon

More than 100 of The County's most prominent leaders - past and present - were on campus for a luncheon on June 17th, the same day in 1961 that Governor John H. Reed signed the bill into law that created Northeastern Maine Vocational Institute, a forerunner of NMCC. In addition to honoring all current and former County lawmakers, two were afforded special recognition. Former State Senator Floyd L. Harding and Former State Representative Harold L. (Bud) Stewart, both of Presque Isle, were recognized for their outstanding efforts 50 years ago in ensuring the creation of NMCC. The two former lawmakers were honored with bronze plagues recognizing their contributions that were unveiled during the ceremony following the luncheon. The plagues now hang in the Edmunds Building near a similar one honoring the late Senator E. Perrin Edmunds, another founder of the College.



NMCC leaders past and present: (from left) Timothy Crowley, current NMCC president; Dr. Durward Huffman, NMTC president from 1986-2001; Dr. James Patterson, NMVTI director from 1984-1986; Deanne Greenlaw, representing the family of the late Harold Mailman, campus leader from 1969-1979; and Dr. Richard N. Cilley, the first assistant director at the college, appointed in 1966.

Joining in the celebration were a dozen former Aroostook County legislators: (seated, left to right) Mabel Desmond of Mapleton, Floyd Harding and Harold (Bud) Stewart of Presque Isle, and Carolyne Mahany of Easton. Also taking part were: (standing, left to right) Roland (Danny) Martin of Sinclair, Wilfred Bell of Caribou, James Dunleavy of Presque Isle, Donald Collins of Caribou, Dean Clukey of Houlton, Henry Joy of Crystal, Richard Kneeland of Easton, and Hayes Gahagan of Presque Isle.



50th celebrations



50th Anniversary Gala

The highlight of NMCC's 2nd Annual Homecoming Weekend was the 50th Anniversary Gala held on Saturday, September 10, in the College's gymnasium. Nearly 450 were in attendance at the event which was held as a fund raiser for the NMCC Foundation. Featured during the evening were 47 alumni and three community members who were honored as NMCC's 50 Shining Stars, representing the array of programs and the breadth and depth of the impact the College and its alumni have made over five decades. Each honoree was presented with a special star award designed and crafted by Dennis Albert, NMCC welding and metal fabrications instructor, and his students.



NMCC FOUNDATION 2011 report to donors



Taking part in the NMCC Foundation Board meeting in July at the College's new alternative energy center were, seated from left: Bruce Sandstrom, Larry LaPlante (treasurer), Brian Hamel (chair), Vicki Smith (vice chair), Richard Engels (immediate past chair), and NMCC President Timothy Crowley. Standing, from left: Dustin Graham, Carl Flora, Gregg Collins, Raynold Gauvin, Jane Towle, Sandra Gauvin, Jan Grieco, Pamela Buck, Connie Sandstrom, Emily Smith, Robert White, Richard Nadeau, and Chris Fitzpatrick. Absent from photo: Scott Carlin, Gary Cleaves, Lois Dickson (secretary), Philip Grondin Sr., Virginia Joles, Michael Kelley Sr., Betty Kent-Conant, Mariah LeMieux-Lupien, Melony Hunt LeShane, and Terry Wade.

A Message From THE FOUNDATION CHAIR

Dear Friends and Supporters of the Northern Maine Community College Foundation:

Over the past two years I have had the distinct pleasure and honor of serving as chair of the NMCC Foundation. My tenure in this role has provided further affirmation of the perspective I came to appreciate during my time as chair of the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees: that NMCC is a clear leader and a true shining star in our system.



This is especially evident when it comes to the incredible support extended to our Foundation, and in turn to the College, by so many generous individuals, businesses and organizations throughout northern Maine and beyond. Our progress and the support we have enjoyed over the past year stand as testament to the recognition of the critically important work of the College toward the betterment of the lives of so many individuals. It also underscores the leadership role NMCC assumes in the workforce, as well as the economic and community development of our region and state.

The work of the College in all of these areas is extremely effective because of this support. The names of the benefactors and the stories of our success in our most recently completed fiscal year appear on the pages that follow. Although the text and images tell a compelling story, the true impact is far too profound to capture in this report. Rather, the significance is found in the story - and there are many such stories - of an NMCC student or graduate who overcame seemingly insurmountable odds and has found success they previously thought unreachable. It exists every day in the hundreds of employers across Maine who rely on NMCC to provide a well trained and educated workforce to ensure the success of its enterprise. And it is present in our communities where the College and those whose lives are enhanced by NMCC make a positive impact daily.

Thank you to all who have contributed to ensuring the "Tradition of Opportunity" is not only alive, but indeed thrives at NMCC. To our donors and volunteers, including the dedicated members of the NMCC Foundation Board and NMCC Alumni and Friends Organization, in addition to the Foundation's first class staff, my heartfelt appreciation for all you do to ensure NMCC is the best Community College in Maine!

Brukan Brian N. Hamel

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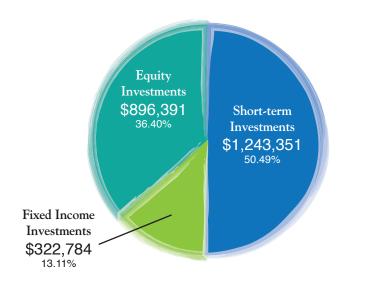
BALANCE SHEETS

Condensed Balance Sheets As of June 30, 2011 and 2010			
	2011	2010	
Assets			
Cash	\$2,391	\$30,126	
Contr but ons/Accounts Rece vab e	52,132	135,547	
Investments	2,462,526	1,038,979	
Tota Assets	\$2,517,049	\$1,204,652	
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Deferred Revenue/Accounts Payab Net Assets	e \$1,100,370	\$61,386	
Unrestr cted	32,295	41,061	
Temporar y Restr cted	346,239	120,646	
Permanent y Restr cted	1,038,145	981,559	
Tota Net Assets	1,416,679	1,143,266	
Tota L ab t es and Net Assets	\$2,517,049	\$1,204,652	

Condensed Statement of Activities For the Years Ended June 30, 2011 and 2010

Revenue	2011	2010
Donations	\$1,327,902	\$72,352
Fundra s ng & Other Revenue	46,150	42,347
NMCC Contr but on to Expenses	37,200	32,300
Investment Income (Loss)	241,651	104,496
Tota Revenue	1,652,903	251,495
Expenditures Scho arsh ps and Grants Major G fts Awards Fundra s ng Expenses Adm n strat ve Expenses Tota Expend tures	34,133 1,262,020 17,454 65,882 1,379,489	30,379 22,153 18,041 64,525 135,098
Increase (Decrease) n Net Assets	\$273,414	\$116,397
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Portfolio Composition - 2010



A Message From THE FOUNDATION TREASURER

The financial statements of your Foundation reflect the significant gifts received during the past year. During fiscal year 2011, the Foundation received \$1,250,000 from Mary Smith and an associated foundation. As a result, donations increased from \$72,352 for fiscal year 2010 to \$1,327,902 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The Smith gifts were earmarked for alternative energy projects resulting in grants and awards expenses of \$1,262,020 for fiscal year 2011 compared to \$22,153 last year. As qualifying projects are completed, the Foundation reimburses the College for its expenditures. As of June 30, 2011, the College was at various stages of identifying, evaluating, or procuring equipment and facility upgrades for various alternative energy projects. Unspent Smith gift proceeds are invested in short-term investments while earmarked purchases are reflected as accounts payable. As a result, total assets increased to \$2,517,049 for the year ended June 30, 2011, compared to \$1,204,652 for the same period in 2010, due principally to the increase in short-term investments. Deferred revenue/accounts payable increased from \$61,386 for the fiscal year 2010 to \$1,100,370 for the fiscal year 2011, reflecting earmarked purchases.

The Foundation's investment and finance committee, as well as the executive committee, monitor investment results given the current economic times. Investment income for the year ended June 30, 2011 was \$241,651 compared to \$104,496 for the year ended June 30, 2010. Investment returns for the managed funds were approximately 20% and 12% for the fiscal years 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Chester M. Kearney and Co. completed its audit of the foundation's financial statements. The foundation received a "clean" opinion and did not receive any management comments. The auditors met with the executive committee of the Board and reviewed the results of the audit and the Foundation's tax return.

Larry LaPlante, NMCC Foundation Treasurer



Tom and Betty K. Conant established an endowed scholarship fund in their names with the NMCC Foundation. The fund alternates annually between a student pursuing a degree in nursing or a related allied health field, and one in electrical construction and maintenance. Accepting the gift are Brian Hamel and Jason Parent.



FOUNDATION'S LARGEST DONATION

The NMCC Foundation received its largest donation to date in January thanks to the generosity of California resident and Presque Isle native Mary Smith. Smith made the \$1.2 million donation in memory of her husband Rodney, who, despite an impoverished youth and incredible odds, achieved extraordinary success as a businessman and pioneer in the semi-conductor industry. The Smith donation is the largest private contribution to date ever given to a community college in Maine or to an Aroostook County higher education institution.

The Smith gift, directed to projects designed to support the emerging green energy curriculum, was put to immediate use to help establish the College's new Northern Maine Center for Excellence in Alternative Energy Training and Education. The donation allowed for development of the center and for the purchase of needed technology and equipment to ensure students have training opportunities that will be most effective toward creating a new industry in the region and moving it forward.

A grand opening of the center was held April 21, 2011. Mary Smith was on hand for the occasion.

"Rodney believed in recognizing young people with potential and giving them a chance to succeed. He also believed in giving back to one's community and protecting the environment. Rodney had a very tough childhood but he never felt sorry for himself and he never gave up. He faced the obstacles that confronted him and moved on with determination. The opportunity to get an education and to become highly skilled changed the path of Rodney's life," said Smith as she addressed those gathered for the event. "Rodney was an extraordinary man. His life shows that he believed in taking risks and supporting promising new ventures, which is why

I believe that he would have supported the Center for Excellence. He also trusted me, and I believe in the junior college system. I have been interested in making a donation to NMCC for a long time. I believe that the opportunities for success in life offered to the students at NMCC are similar to those opportunities offered to Rodney in the army's Apprentices School; a chance to grow, to be trained in a technical field, and to develop the skills and discipline to lead a successful life."

This gift followed a \$50,000 contribution directed by Mrs. Smith to the Foundation in December 2010 from the Troutbeck Fund of the Silicon Valley Community Foundation for the purchase of technology and equipment for the wind power technology program. The gift was in memory of both her husband and her parents, Hope and Robert Akeley, both of whom were born and raised in central Aroostook County.

NMCC FOUNDATION ANNUAL DINNER



THE 2010 EAGLE AWARD Scott Carlin (center), Foundation board member and president of the NMCC Alumni and Friends Organization, was presented with the 2010 Eagle Award for his instrumental work at getting the new group off and running. Presenting the award are Brian Hamel, Foundation board chair (left) and NMCC President Timothy Crowley.

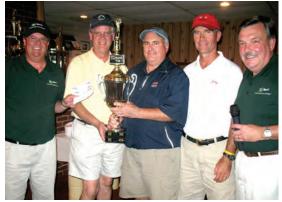


OUTSTANDING BENEFACTOR AWARD

The 2010 Outstanding Benefactor Award was presented to WAGM-TV. The award was accepted by (left to right) Peter and Carol Kozlowski, WAGM station owners, and Kelley Landeen, WAGM sales manager. Presenting the award were NMCC Foundation board vice chair Vicki Smith and board chair Brian Hamel.

FIFTH ANNUAL TD BANK GOLF TOURNAMENT









More than \$16,000 in scholarship funds were raised through the fifth annual TD Bank Golf Tournament held on August 12, 2010 at the Aroostook Valley Country Club in Fort Fairfield.

"We are most grateful to Mike Kelley, Ray Hews, and many others at TD Bank for their work on this annual event. The funds raised help 'open the doors' of higher education, and of NMCC in particular, to a number of deserving students each year," said NMCC President Timothy Crowley.

Just over one hundred golfers teed off for the annual scramble. An additional dozen people joined the golfers for a dinner and silent auction that followed play at AVCC.

THE FALL & WINTER EXPO

A new attendance record for the Fall and Winter Expo was realized last fall as more than 4,100 community members from across The County and western New Brunswick attended the show sponsored by the Northern Maine Community College Foundation and WAGM-TV. Organizers and participants alike called the event a huge success.

Perhaps the most excited individuals of the thousands who attended was the Presque Isle couple who were drawn as the winners of the "Live Easy This Winter" grand prize package valued at more than \$3,000. David and Robertine Morrow received a winners' package which included free groceries, heating oil and electricity for the three calendar months of winter.

With the wide variety of vendors present, the show offered something for everyone. Vendors ranged from businesses that offer solutions to keeping warm during the winter months to ones that offer health adviceproducts, as well as electronic gadgets to keep individuals entertained when the snow flies. Several non-profit organizations were also on hand featuring fall and winter activities, such as Aroostook Football League and Presque Isle Youth Hockey.

Also featured on Saturday at the Expo was a Community Health Fair put on by seniors in NMCC's nursing and medical assisting programs. They provided information on more than a dozen topics, including seasonal and H1N1 influenza, frostbite prevention and treatment, winter sports safety, and fall and winter driving safety.







NMCC FOUNDATION

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Our Nursing & Allied Health Department received an anonymous donation of \$9,000 that will help to continue high quality education experiences for our students.

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MAKING A GIFT TO THE FOUNDATION

The NMCC Foundation exists for the sole purpose of providing support for programs and activities which enhance the quality of education and expand the educational opportunities for students enrolled at Northern Maine Community College.

For more information on establishing memorial gifts, planned giving, estate distribution, or other giving options, please contact the Foundation at (207) 760-1188.

The NMCC Foundation is a charitable corporation organized under the laws of the State of Maine with tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States. The Foundation is legally and fiscally separate from the College. Contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

For gifts and securities, bequests or pledges over time, please call the Northern Maine Community College Foundation at (207) 760-1188.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Many times family members and friends choose to make a gift in memory or in honor of a loved one. Most often, gifts are made when someone passes away, but they can also be made in remembrance on an annual basis. This is a special way of creating a lasting memorial.

Special thanks to all who chose this special way of remembering the following individuals during the 2010 fiscal year:

In Memory Of

Robert & Hope Akeley Margaret Coffin Larry Cowett Mitchell Cyr Marilyn Humphrey Paula Judkins Rodney Smith Hugh Violette

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS/FUNDS

Each year, thanks to the NMCC Foundation, many students receive scholarships to help pay for their education. The following are the current scholarships and funds.

Advantage Payroll/Gauvin Scholarship – Awarded each semester to full-time non-traditional students who are Aroostook County residents in good academic standing with demonstrated financial need, this scholarship was established by Ray & Sandy Gauvin and Advantage Payroll Services.

Robert Blackmore Scholarship – Created for students in the business technology department by NMCC employees and alumni in honor of Robert Blackmore, a former Computer Information Systems instructor at NMCC.

Bustard/Carlson Scholarship – Open to all students, with selection based on financial need and academic merit, this scholarship was started by the Bustard and Carlson families.

Caribou Rotary Scholarship – Created by the Caribou Rotary Club, this scholarship is awarded to Caribou High School graduates who are attending NMCC. The award is need based and goes to an individual who shows significant promise.

Carson/Clark Nursing Scholarship – Created for students in the nursing and allied health department by NMCC employees and alumni, this scholarship honors Margaret Carson and Betty Clark, two former long-time chairs of that department.

Central Aroostook EMS Scholarship Fund – Established to provide assistance to individuals enrolled in NMCC's emergency medical services program who reside in Blaine, Mars Hill, Bridgewater, E. Plantation or Monticello.

Larry Cowett Memorial Scholarship – Awarded to a second year student enrolled in an automotive program, with preference given to students in automotive technology. Preference will also be given to students who are Presque Isle residents or graduates of Presque Isle High School.

Mitch Cyr Memorial Scholarship – Awarded in memory of Mitchell P. Cyr, this scholarship is for a traditional student who is an Aroostook County resident, with preference given to Presque Isle High School graduates. The scholarship is based on both financial need and satisfactory academic standing with a demonstrated desire to learn and succeed.

Dickinson-McBreairty Memorial Scholarship Fund – Established in honor and memory of the late James and Doris (Dickinson) McBreairty, as well as the couple's parents. The fund awards scholarships annually to students demonstrating financial need, one each from the towns of Perham, Wade, and Washburn.

Dirigo FFA/Nutrite Scholarship – Established through a donation from the Dirigo FFA Foundation, Inc., the scholarship is for NMCC students who are Aroostook County residents and are either a former FFA student or a student from a farm family enrolled in the business administration program.

Francis E. Dorsey Scholarship – This scholarship was established by Geraldine Dorsey in memory of her late husband, Francis. It is awarded annually to a woman enrolled in a trade program at the college.

Lloyd Duncan Scholarship – Awarded to a senior in an electrical/electronics program, this scholarship was established in 1996 by Thelma Swain and named after a former instructor at the college.

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Mary Maxine & Charles D. Eber Scholarship – Originally established by Charles Eber in memory of his late wife, the scholarship was renamed after Mr. Eber passed away. It is intended to help an NMCC student achieve his or her educational goals.

E. Perrin Edmunds Memorial Scholarship – Established by Phyllis Dake in memory of her brother, a state legislator from Fort Fairfield who played a key role in obtaining the funding to establish the college, this scholarship is awarded to a student from Aroostook County who is in good academic standing and shows financial need.

General Endowed Scholarship – A number of scholarships are given to students each year based on academic performance and financial need. These are made possible through the interest earned on all endowed donations that are not designated for a dedicated scholarship.

G. Melvin & Phyllis J. Hovey Scholarship – This scholarship is awarded to a student from Aroostook County, taking into account the degree of interest in a college education, potential for making a contribution to college life and to society, and indication of high moral character.

Durward & Lillian Huffman Scholarship – Honoring a long-time NMCC president and his late wife, this scholarship was established through donations from employees and other college friends when Dr. Huffman retired. Preference is given to students with a minimum grade point average of 3.5 who are involved in campus activities.

Peter G. Hunt, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund – Established by United Insurance Group after the unexpected passing of Peter Hunt, Sr. as a tribute to his memory and legacy. Criteria for this scholarship includes having a GPA of 3.0 or higher and being enrolled in the second-semester in a business, nursing or trade program.

Larry A. Langille Memorial Scholarship – Established by members of the Langille family, this scholarship is awarded to a full-time student, preferably in the computer-aided drafting program.

Gov. James B. Longley Scholarship Fund – This fund is supported by the Governor James B. Longley Scholarship Foundation for two scholarships annually. The intent is to provide support to the same student for each of the two years of the student's enrollment at NMCC.

Dana McGlauflin Memorial Scholarship – Established by McGlauflin, who served as a long-time business manager for the college. The fund is awarded annually to students who demonstrate involvement in their community, have good academic standing and are enrolled in a degree program at the College. Preference is given to students from Aroostook County.

Maine Better Transportation Association Snow Scholarship Fund – The Foundation receives \$1,000 annually to award one or two scholarships to a Maine resident in the transportation field who has demonstrated financial need.

Brian C. James Scholarship – The NMCC Foundation holds the assets of this scholarship that rotates among several Maine Community Colleges. Students enrolled in an automotive/mechanical or civil engineering technology program with satisfactory academic progress and demonstrated financial need are eligible.

Machias Savings Bank Scholarship Fund – This fund was established through a gift donation from Machias Savings Bank to The Campaign for the County's College to benefit deserving students from Aroostook, Penobscot, Washington or Hancock Counties enrolled in a business-related field of study. The fund is used to provide scholarships and/or awards to students to fund tuition, books, tools, and equipment.

Maine Potato Board Scholarship – Funded through a potato tax fund grant, the scholarship is for students enrolled in the business administration program who are Maine residents in good academic standing and involved in school and/or community activities.

Maine Public Service Scholarship – Funded by donations from Maine Public Service Company, this scholarship is intended for a full-time student from Aroostook County with significant promise who is pursuing a vocation useful in a career with Maine Public Service Company.

Philip Parker Memorial/Tri-City Scholarship – These two combined funds are intended to provide scholarship assistance to a full-time student pursuing a degree in an electronics program or taking a computer class. Preference is given to a student studying computer electronics.

Belinda Sewall Page Memorial Scholarship – This scholarship is awarded to a student who either attended a Head Start program as a child and/or is enrolled in the NMCC early childhood education program.

Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship – Funded by NMCC students involved in the campus chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for students in two year colleges, it is intended for PTK members.

Dale P. and Christopher P. Powers Scholarship – Established in memory of Dale & Christopher Powers, this scholarship is for a fulltime student pursing a degree at NMCC with demonstrated financial need.

Presque Isle Rotary Club Scholarship – Funded by the Presque Isle Rotary Club, this scholarship is intended for full-time students who are graduates of Presque Isle High School and who have demonstrated financial need.

Carl & Lillian Rasmussen Scholarship – This memorial scholarship is for a student in the nursing program at NMCC who has a demonstrated dedication to school and/or community service.

Linwood Raymond Memorial Scholarship – Established by the Raymond family, this scholarship is intended for a second-year student in the liberal studies program at NMCC and is based on financial need.

George W. Scott/Maine Mutual Scholarship – This scholarship was established through donations from MMG Insurance and is intended for a student enrolled in the business technology department with good academic standing.

Paris J. Snow Scholarship – Established by Willetta "Billy" Snow in memory of her husband, this scholarship is for a full-time student who is an Aroostook County resident, shows significant promise and has demonstrated financial need. Pat Snow was an enthusiastic supporter of vocational technical education in the Maine, particularly at NMCC. He was one of the original incorporators of the Foundation and served as its first president.

Sturdivant Island Tuna Tournament Charitable Foundation Scholarship – The tuna tournament is a three-day fishing event held annually in South Portland, raising funds for charitable causes. In 2005, SITT made a commitment to endow a scholarship for NMCC students. Scholarships are awarded annually, with preference given to Maine residents with demonstrated unmet financial need and in good academic standing.

Sunshine Health Scholarship Fund – This fund was established in December 2009 through a \$10,000 donation from anonymous donors who call themselves the Sunshine Benefactors. This scholarship is for a student in the allied health department at NMCC and is based on financial need.

Ian R. Sutherland Memorial Scholarship – Established in part by gifts from friends of the Sutherlands in the weeks after Ian's accident, funding for the scholarship was then completed by the Sutherland family. The scholarship is awarded to a first year student in the diesel hydraulics program.

TD Bank Scholarship – Funded by donations from TD Bank, this scholarship is awarded to students who are Maine residents in the business technology department, based on both financial need and satisfactory academic standing with a demonstrated desire to learn and succeed.

Thelma C. Swain Scholarship – The scholarship is for students enrolled in a program which has an impact upon Aroostook County, with preference given to those enrolled in the nursing, residential construction, or plumbing and heating programs. Before her passing, Ms. Swain endowed a scholarship at each of the seven colleges of the MCCS.

TAMC/Marge Haines Memorial Scholarship – This scholarship, funded by a group of nursing professionals and TAMC's medical staff and board of directors, is in memory of Marge Haines, a nurse at TAMC for many years. Eligible students must be enrolled in the nursing program with a minimum 3.25 grade point average and have plans to practice in Aroostook County upon graduation.

Larry & Audrey Thibodeau Scholarship – This scholarship, established by Audrey and the late Larry Thibodeau, is to provide educational assistance to Aroostook County residents who are seeking education and training in a medical-related field.

Richard West Scholarship – This scholarship was started by college employees and alumni to honor Dick West, department chair of the trades department at NMCC for 25 years, when he retired in 2000. It is intended for a student pursuing an education in the trades department.

Newly Endowed Scholarships in 2011

Tom and Betty K. Conant Scholarship Fund – This Fund was established in July 2010 through a \$10,000 donation from Tom Conant and his wife Betty Kent-Conant. This scholarship is designated for students that are residents of Maine, with preference given to students from Aroostook County. It alternates annually between a student pursuing a degree in nursing or a related allied health field, and one in electrical construction and maintenance.

S. W. Collins Company Scholarship Fund – This scholarship fund was established by S. W. Collins Company during The Campaign for the County's College. This scholarship is intended for a student in a building trades program.

Bruce and Connie Sandstrom Scholarship Fund – This scholarship fund, established by Bruce and Connie Sandstrom during The Campaign for the County's College, is intended for a student in the accounting program.

NMCC ALUMNI & FRIENDS ORGANIZATION



Board of Directors are, sitting from left: Timothy Crowley, NMCC president; Gisele McDonald, treasurer; Scott Carlin, president; Heidi Graham, vice president; and Tomi Henderson, secretary. Other members of the board are, standing, from left: Judy Hilton, Guy Jackson, Mark Bouchard, Jonathan Post, Dennis Albert, Janet Kelle, Cindy Albert, Virginia Joles, Sylvia Forte, Michael Thibodeau, Kerry Gordon, Emily Smith, Mary Michaud, Wendy Bradstreet and Dustin Graham.

The past year has been a busy one for the Northern Maine Community College Alumni and Friends Organization. As an organization that is still in its infancy, board members have been challenged to find ways to reconnect with College alumni.

Homecoming

Their greatest effort to date was the first Homecoming hosted at NMCC in more than two decades last fall. Board members worked with NMCC staff to hold a weekend celebration that was a resounding success.

"We couldn't be more pleased with our first time hosting a Homecoming Weekend," said Scott Carlin, president of the Alumni and Friends Organization. "Our events provided a great opportunity for old friends to reconnect and for new friends to meet."

The weekend began as NMCC hosted a campus-wide open house on September 10. More than 250 guests, including 175 area high school students, visited and toured the campus. A highlight was a noontime barbecue and pep rally, featuring the music of the Presque Isle Middle School Jazz Band and an introduction of the members of the 2010 NMCC soccer team by coach Bill Casavant.

The evening was dedicated to celebrating the accomplishments of

NMCC's outstanding alumni. Four honorees were presented with the Shining Star Award at a banquet attended by more than 100 people. The four, Robert Clark of Fort Fairfield, Robert Lilly of Scarborough, Nancy Putman of New Limerick and Ammie Toby of Houlton, served as the first of 50 individuals to be honored by the College to mark the institution's 50th anniversary.

Saturday's highlights included the NMCC Alumni and Friends Organization's participation in the firefighter's convention parade in downtown Presque Isle. More than two dozen alumni, current students and staff participated, handing out NMCC pencils and watermelon to parade goers. The NMCC entry won first place in the civic category.

That afternoon, NMCC alumni took part in the first annual NMCC alumni versus NMCC Falcons soccer game. The alumni team won the close match by a score of 3 to 2.

Annual Meeting

The NMCC Alumni & Friends Organization celebrated a year of success with an evening of good food, friends and a history lesson during their second annual meeting on April 11, 2011.

The group elected officers, elected new members to the board and reflected on their first year's achievements. The evening began with a social, followed by a special presentation by Kim Smith from the Presque Isle Historical Society showcasing the history of the grounds that now serve as home to the campus.

The evening concluded with the awarding of the Torchbearer Award. The honor is bestowed annually by the group on an individual who, consistent with the definition of the word torchbearer, is someone in the forefront of a campaign, crusade, or movement.

The 2011 Torchbearer Award was presented to Patricia Sutherland, former NMCC director of development and college relations. In addition to being responsible for promoting the college and raising funds for student scholarships and other institutional needs, Sutherland was in charge of alumni relations during her tenure at the college.

"Pat worked very hard to always make the public face of NMCC shine throughout the Aroostook County community during her 25 years on campus. Her efforts made it all look so seamless, when in reality she worked tirelessly to help move the College forward," said NMCC President Tim Crowley. "She is a most deserving recipient of the torchbearer award and our gratitude for all she has done for the alumni of this institution."



GALEN DICKINSON – Accounting, Class of 1973 Chief Financial Officer, Cary Medical Center



"My education at NM was the foundation of the basics. It set me on the way I think, not only as an accountant but also in management. The beginnings, they make all the difference; it's made my career."

NANCY PUTNAM, FNP – Nursing, Class of 1984 Family Nurse Practitioner, Houlton Family Practice

"With the great instructors, knowledgeable and committed staff and encouraging atmosphere, NM reinforced my interest in nursing science. It gave me the skills to perform basic tasks, to make a living, and, most importantly, to recognize there is more to learn."



ROBERT GRANT – TV/Radio Repair, Class of 1969 General Manager, Young's Furniture, South Portland



"The strengths I have were probably always there, but it took coaxing, challenges, and direction from the faculty and staff at NM to help me see the direction I needed to focus on and to show me some of the ways I might get there."