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2012 ANNUAL REPORT

# from our president

At Northern Maine Community College, we strive to make a positive difference in the lives of our students and in the economic vibrancy of our region. Each year our annual report provides us the opportunity to share exciting news on College happenings. This report will not disappoint, as you see the outstanding work of the NMCC community. It is the personal touch we provide, combined with a supportive community and high expectations, that allow us to achieve many of the successes you will read about in this report.

It is this collective commitment to making a positive difference that allows us to continue to excel.

As we have worked through some of the most difficult economic times in recent history, many people have come to NMCC to find a new direction for their lives. We have welcomed an ever growing number of students, and our faculty and staff have met the challenges associated with having more students with limited resources.

Our Foundation has had an exceptional year, providing more resources than ever to support our commitment to our students. The Foundation has provided an increasing amount of scholarship support to our students and instructional support for NMCC equipment needs.

Our Foundation Board, NMCC General Advisory Council and various program advisory committees provide invaluable support to help us serve our students and meet our mission. I thank each member of these groups for their extraordinary service to NMCC.

The NMCC community, from our employees to these organizations that support us, goes to great lengths to meet the needs of the College and the students who attend here. Our College is only as strong as our commitment to excellence.

The fruit of our labor is on display in this annual report, and I invite you to read it and take the time to enjoy seeing what a community determined to making a positive difference can do.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest appreciation to the NMCC community for an incredible year.

Sincerely,



Timothy Crowley  
NMCC President



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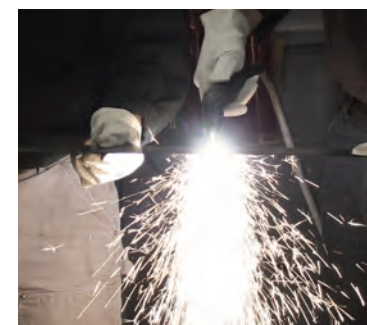
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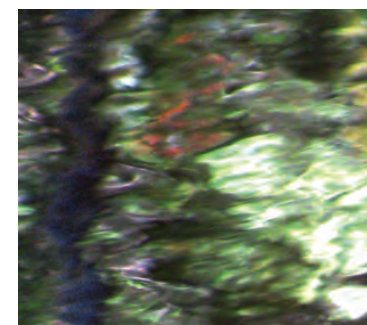
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# Wellness Center Project

A GENEROUS GIFT TAKES WELLNESS TO A NEW LEVEL



These drawings are artist renderings provided by WBRC Architects - Engineers. Revisions have been made to these concepts.



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An exciting new project is underway at Northern Maine Community College that will have a long-lasting impact on both the College and community.

When the College was looking to expand its small fitness room on campus, they approached Mary Smith, who had already proven her generosity to the College in supporting alternative energy efforts and had expressed an interest in wellness efforts. She reviewed the material and told College officials they weren't thinking big enough. To truly make an impact, they needed more space, more equipment, more options. With that in mind, President Tim Crowley and his team referred to the NMCC's master plan, which called for a new fitness center, and put together their proposal for a \$6 million project establishing both a wellness center and student center on campus.

While the vision of what it will look like has undergone several transformations from that initial proposal, the project is becoming a reality, thanks in great part to a \$5 million gift from Smith that was announced in February, 2012. That gift has, in turn, leveraged additional gifts for NMCC as the college works to raise the additional \$1 million needed to complete the project. The NMCC Foundation and the Foundation for Maine's Community Colleges have each committed \$300,000 toward the project. Private donors such as York's of Houlton, Katahdin Trust Company and TD Bank have also donated in support of the wellness

center project, with more donations soon to be in place.

“The work that will be undertaken on our campus as a result of this very generous gift by Mrs. Smith will have a transformative impact on our service to students and the community,” said NMCC President Timothy Crowley during the press conference announcing the gift. “We are pleased that Mrs. Smith shares our vision and commitment to the people of Aroostook County. This gift will have considerable economic impact in the short term as it will put folks to work, but more importantly, the significance of the long-term impact is that it creates a healthier and more competitive workforce for The County.”

The facility will also be a gathering spot for students and community members, encouraging both social interaction and wellness activities from basic cardio fitness exercises to group exercise classes. Commuter students will also have space in the student center to do homework between classes, and the center will provide a more centralized location for student services.

To ensure both facilities best meet the needs of intended users, the College formed an advisory group to work with the architect designing the plans. The committee had representation from the NMCC student body, alumni, college employees and community members, as well as Smith herself. It is through their work, along with the work of the members of NMCC's facilities committee and architects from WBRC, that the final concept design of

the two centers has taken shape.

The wellness center will be housed in a 10,000 square-foot addition to the Christie Complex that will be built in front of the area housing the gymnasium. The center will include a large open area with cardio and weightlifting equipment, a room for group exercises such as Zumba, a classroom for courses related to wellness and ergonomics, locker rooms for men and women, and office space. The addition is designed to draw the eye to the center of campus, where it will be located. This is particularly fitting, since the project will result in the relocation of the main driveway entrance to campus, and the entrance and lobby area of the wellness and student centers will serve as a new main entryway to the Christie Complex.

The center will be named in honor of Smith's husband, Rodney Smith, a philanthropist who achieved great success in Silicon Valley. Smith was a native of England, who, despite an impoverished youth and incredible odds, achieved extraordinary success in the United States as a businessman and pioneer in the semi-conductor industry. The Rodney Smith Wellness Center will be a fitting legacy to his memory.

The Akeley Student Center will be located in a renovated area of the A.K. Christie and John L. Martin Buildings, in the area adjacent to the gymnasium through to the location of the current bookstore. NMCC's Health Center will be moved into this new student center, so that this service is more easily accessible to

students. It will house the college store, which will provide expanded options for food, and an office for student organizations. Several casual seating areas will be positioned throughout the center, and there will be designated points that will offer health and wellness information. These information points will help frame a walking path area throughout the center for those who want to walk recreationally, as well as for easy access from the center to other areas of the building.

The naming of the center reflects the contributions to the Aroostook County community by the Akeley family. Robert V. Akeley and Hope Greenlaw Akeley, parents of Mary Smith, both represented the best of the region's famed work ethic throughout their careers.

A key design element that is prominent in this building project is a “light well” that will be built into the corner of where the Christie and Martin Buildings connect. This will bring natural light into the student center area during the daytime, and be a very visible feature at night as the glass structure is lit from within. Since the front of the wellness center will also feature a largely glass area, the combination of the two will definitely be a beacon of light against the evening sky.

Another prominent feature in this project will be the incorporation of historical artifacts from the Presque Isle Air Base that was formerly housed on the land where NMCC and the surrounding industrial park are currently situated.

“It is our desire to demonstrate in this



project the important role the base played in our past,” said Crowley. “The plan is to provide a long-lasting and appropriate space to display this proud history.”

Toward this end, a committee of people from NMCC and the airport museum are working to develop an inventory of the artifacts now displayed and stored at the regional airport and to determine how NMCC might display items from that era in the soon-to-be-constructed building project.

With ground tests complete and permits in place, asbestos abatement and demolition of the renovated spaces in the Christie and Martin Buildings will begin in February, 2013. Construction of the new addition is slated to start the following month. The Rodney Smith Wellness Center and the Akeley Student Center should be fully operational for the Fall 2014 semester.

# Taking Charge

SUPPORTING THE HEALTH OF OUR CAMPUS COMMUNITY



Concerned for the overall health and wellbeing of its student body, and in turn the future workforce of the region, NMCC has launched a number of new initiatives focusing on wellness and fitness.

“We take great pride in our ability to prepare a well-trained and well-educated workforce for employers throughout our region and state. Additionally, as a campus community, we are known for our efforts to ensure students’ overall wellbeing and success,” said NMCC President Timothy Crowley. “The programs and information we provide our students and employees to improve their health are consistent with these goals.”

## Health-Risk Assessments

To get things started, students and faculty in the medical assisting program conducted free, comprehensive health-risk assessments for students and employees throughout the fall 2011 semester. Participants took an electronic risk assessment questionnaire, then based on the resulting score, were educated on the “at risk” areas and provided resources on appropriate topics. The plan is to offer this service each fall.

## Wellness Online

Two campus websites have been developed to help bring health resources together in a con-

venient way for students and employees. One site offers campus resources, including a walking path map for the Christie Complex and tips on everything from spiritual and emotional to physical wellbeing.

The second website includes a listing of books and magazines available in the library on the topic of health and wellness, as well as links to the campus wellness page and a number of national sources. The site also includes links to healthy recipes and to relevant blogs and videos. The library is also expanding their inventory of books in this area and has established a dedicated “wellness” section that houses books on exercise, stress reduction, nutrition, cookbooks, workout DVDs, and more.

One of the sources available through both sites is Aramark, the dining services provider for NMCC. Their “Campus Dish” provides a listing of foods served in the dining commons with comprehensive nutritional and caloric information on each menu item. That same nutritional information can also be found on a large bulletin board, Nutrition Central, in the dining commons. Aramark has an exciting new mobile app that allows students and employees to access menus and nutritional information on their cell phones.

Another online resource is Student Health 101, a monthly e-magazine that the College subscribes to on behalf of the campus community.

It contains valuable information which helps students make better decisions and provides faculty and staff with a better understanding of the health and wellness challenges that face today’s students.

“Many students come to us knowing that they need specific skills to be considered for a job in today’s competitive market, but they fail to recognize the importance of many of the other factors that will make them successful throughout their careers — things such as communicating effectively, the ability to handle personal problems, good decision making and personal health and wellness,” said Bill Egeler, NMCC dean of students. “Student Health 101 utilizes nationally-known experts on these and many other issues. It’s fun and available in a format that is easily accessible.”

Not only is easy access to resources a critical part of helping members of the campus community make good decisions regarding their health and wellness, but putting in place some ways to assist them in following through with change is also a key component. Healthy food options and exercise are certainly prime examples.

## Smart Options

Aramark has added several new features at each mealtime, including a vegetarian or vegan entrée, a stir-fry station and a zero-calorie hy-

dration station. They have made a commitment to use more locally grown food and focused on the message of wellness and sustainable foods during Earth Week.

“It’s about providing options so that people can make healthier choices,” said Rob Ottaviano, Aramark dining services manager at NMCC. “We have made significant changes both in the dining commons and in the campus bookstore, where students and employees can now select from a wider array of healthy, quick meals and snacks.”

Shelf space in the bookstore once dominated by potato chips and candy bars, which can still be found—just in smaller quantity, now includes healthier options and cooler space now includes cheese, yogurt, fruit cups, vegetables, and healthy sandwiches. Gluten-free snack options are also available.

## Active Lifestyles

The College created a “pedometer pals” group of 25 employees who each received a pedometer in December, 2011 and were encouraged to increase their level of activity. The intent was to promote walking and to encourage support among co-workers to reach their goals.

“We walk two times a day, once in the morning and once in the afternoon,” said Norma Smith from the financial aid office of her and her walking partner, Heidi Graham. “I wanted to do

it for both health and weight reasons, and as an added benefit I’ve found it really gets my energy level up. By walking inside, we’re going up and down stairs, opening doors, and getting a little more of a workout.”

Smith and a number of other college employees also take part in Zumba, a dance fitness class. With the high level of interest, and in keeping with the idea of keeping workers healthy and well, the College is sponsoring a six-week Zumba class on campus this fall two nights a week in the NMCC gym. The class is being offered at no charge to employees.

There are many other small ways that the College tries to promote a healthy exercise routine as well. For instance, the library offers students and employees the opportunity to check out snow shoes, much as you would a book, so that they can “walk” around the snowier parts of campus in the winter months for a fun alternative exercise. Open gym is also being made available.

“We are very excited about building the new Rodney Smith Wellness Center, but we recognize that we won’t make people healthier by building a building,” said President Crowley. “We need to encourage our students and our employees to recognize the relationship between making healthy choices and living well.”

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# New Programs on Campus



*Students enrolled in NMCC's new programs are actively embracing the changing needs of the workplace.*

*Shown here, left to right: community paramedicine, health information technology, and entrepreneurship.*



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## EXPANDING NEEDS IGNITE THE CREATION OF NEW OFFERINGS

To best serve their students, graduates and local employers, as well as to meet the current or expected needs of the region, faculty and leaders at NMCC are always looking for ways to adapt and expand the College's academic offerings. To help do this the school has added three exciting new programs to their academic inventory.

### **Community Paramedicine**

Community paramedicine allows for expanded career choices for experienced, licensed paramedics. The program is the first of its kind in Maine, and one of only eight such programs nationwide.

The program is designed to educate licensed paramedics who are primarily employed in the pre-hospital emergency environment to become competent community paramedics. Community paramedics work collaboratively with public health, home care and primary care professionals in non-emergency settings, filling gaps in the healthcare workforce. They help patients meet critical health needs by helping establish health systems that promote health and wellness, while serving as advocates, educators, facilitators, liaisons, and resource coordinators.

In order to allow paramedics from across the state to take advantage of this additional training, the program has been designed with

flexibility in mind. All of the career training courses will be offered exclusively online. Students may then opt to take the required general education classes at NMCC or at a college closer to home.

“We are excited about the opportunity to provide this training not only to EMS personnel in Aroostook County but throughout Maine,” said Dr. Dottie Martin, NMCC academic dean. “Community paramedics are a valuable resource in their local community, playing an important role in preventing unnecessary hospitalization and readmission to the hospital.”

Paramedics already holding an associate degree can enroll in the advanced certificate level of the program, which entails five career courses totaling 16 credits, all but one of which will be offered online. Paramedics who do not have an associate degree will enter the Associate in Science degree level of the program, taking the same five career courses, as well as an additional 44 credits in math, science and other general education courses.

### **Health Information Technology**

Combining the expanding arena of health care with cutting edge technology, health information technology (HIT) is a growing field with excellent career opportunities both locally and

across the country.

“NMCC's new health information technology program was developed in direct response to requests from local employers,” explained Kimberly Esquibel, chair of the college's nursing and allied health department. “Additionally, research indicates a 20 percent job growth in this field in the next six years, which is much faster than the average.”

The increase in employment for health information technicians can be attributed to the increased number of medical tests, treatments and procedures that will be performed on an aging population, coupled with the increasing use of electronic health records.

Students entering NMCC's new HIT program will gain the skills necessary to properly enter medical records into computer systems and to verify their completeness and accuracy. This work is critical for the physicians, nurses and other allied health providers who rely on the data to perform their jobs.

“The medical field is not just about doctors and nurses. There are a wide variety of opportunities for those looking to work in healthcare. Health information technology is a perfect example of that,” said Esquibel.

### **Entrepreneurship**

Entrepreneurship is an employment strategy that can lead to economic self-sufficiency. Self-employment provides people and their families with the potential to create and manage businesses in which they function as the employer or boss, rather than being an employee.

Entrepreneurship ranges in scale from solo projects, even involving the entrepreneur only part-time, to major undertakings creating many job opportunities. No matter what the scale, however, some basic business knowledge is a must for successfully getting a new business off the ground.

From specific skills in accounting, electronic spreadsheets and payroll, to introducing broader areas such as sales fundamentals and

entrepreneurship, the courses in NMCC's new certificate program are intended to help build this knowledge base for those with a dream of operating their own business.

“This one-year program can help an individual develop the skills necessary to possibly start a business, or even to realize that they are not yet ready to take that step,” said Karl Jackson, business technology faculty member at NMCC and one of the ones who helped develop the program. “Those who might realize they need a little more preparation in the business field may go on to complete an associate degree in either business administration or accounting information systems at the College.”



# Living the Dream

AN ALUM EMBRACES ENTREPRENEURSHIP

“It’s something I’ve always wanted to do—having my own business,” said Matt Bell, president and CEO of Northeast Pellets in Ashland. Despite both personal and professional adversity, he has made his dream a reality.

Bell first began taking agri-business classes at Northern Maine Technical College, forerunner of Northern Maine Community College, when he was still in high school through what is now known as the On Course for College program. He graduated from Presque Isle High School in 1999 with 15 college credits already under his belt.

Then, as can often happen, life got in the way, which caused major delays in his college degree plans.

“I planned to start in NM’s agri-business program in the Fall 1999 semester, but I had a job so I delayed my plans. Then I had my accident,” said Bell. In December of 1999, Bell had a snowmobile accident that left him paralyzed from the waist down.

In Spring 2001, he started back to classes on a part-time basis for a year and a half, before taking some time off to pursue his skiing career, using a sit ski to compete in races throughout New England, competing at both the national and international level.

When he was ready to return to college, he worked to complete his degree at NMCC while simultaneously taking classes toward his bachelor’s degree through what was then Husson

College. After some starts and stops along the way, he graduated from both institutions in 2009.

It is a class assignment that made a major change in the direction of Bell’s life. For one of his business classes, he had to develop a business plan.

“My parents had a pellet stove; I had to do a business plan for a class. I had an interest, and it went from there,” explained Bell.

Bell then put that business plan to work, using it to obtain a Small Business Administration loan to open Northeast Pellets in 2006, becoming the first pellet mill in the state. By 2009, Bell was employing 17 workers and operating his mill 24 hours a day, 5 ½ days a week. He was named Entrepreneur of the Year for 2009 by Momentum Aroostook and Leaders Encouraging Aroostook Development (LEAD).

Then came another devastating blow. A fire in March, 2009 closed the plant.

“I had to decide whether or not to rebuild,” said Bell. “When I first opened, there were maybe a dozen brands of pellets around. Now there are nearly 70. The market changed significantly.”

After consideration, Bell knew his vision was still viable and worked to re-open Northeast Pellets. The company became operational once again in May, 2011. With his new equipment, the plant now has the capacity to produce 45,000 tons of pellets annually. Current production is about 12,000 – 15,000 tons, operating five, 12-hour days per week with nine employees.

“Right now we are running one shift and

fewer employees, due to both efficiency gains with our new equipment as well as more competition in the pellet market,” explained Bell.

He is hoping to expand hours of production going into the fall, due in part to a contract with Northern Maine Community College to provide pellets for the College’s new biomass boiler. NMCC will be Bell’s largest bulk account.

As a true entrepreneur, Bell is always looking for ways to make improvements and grow his business. For instance, with more bulk orders coming in, Bell’s plan is to shift production so that they are producing bagged pellets during the off-season and bulk pellets in peak-season. He also gets involved at the regional and statewide level to be a player in the future of wood pellets in Maine.

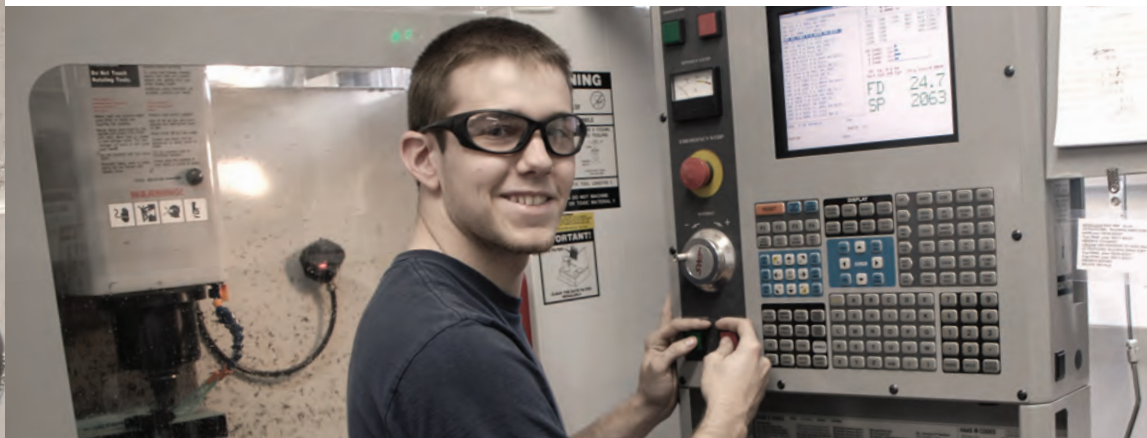
Bell offers the following advice for others who share his dream of being an entrepreneur:

“Be sure you want to do it; it’s a huge commitment. It can’t be just about financial reasons, you have to really have a passion for it. As a sole owner, you live, eat and breathe it [your business]. At the end of the day, you need to make it happen. If someone is out, you need to fill in and pick up the slack, all while handling all of the other things that have to happen. I’ve had to cancel a lot of plans over the years and annoyed a lot of friends.”

Despite that caution, Bell admits it’s all worth it. He’s living his dream and is clearly in charge of his future.

# Seizing Opportunity

HOW ONE PROGRAM STAYS VIBRANT AND CONTINUES TO THRIVE



When several metals manufacturing firms in Aroostook County approached College officials about implementing a machining program to train a larger workforce for the growing precision machining/manufacturing industry, campus leaders went to work laying out what would be needed. Senator Susan Collins’ office was brought into the meetings as discussions were held regarding possible federal assistance for funding.

The College received an \$850,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Labor to implement an associate degree precision metals manufacturing program. The grant provided funds to procure equipment, hire a faculty member, and provide instruction in the metals industry. The grant even paid tuition for students for the first two years of the program.

Dean Duplessis was hired ten years ago to lead this new effort for the College. To get things jump started, he provided some non-credit training through the continuing education division in the spring of 2003, with the associate degree program beginning in the Fall 2003 semester. By 2007, the program was accredited by the National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS), the nation’s only ANSI accredited developer of precision manufacturing skills standards.

While the program has evolved over the past decade, the bedrock on which it was founded remains the same: quality instruction and technically-current equipment. The program was re-accredited by NIMS in 2012, reaffirming that it meets national quality standards.

“One thing that really stands out about our program is how modern the equipment is,” said Duplessis. “Lots of folks like to use the

term ‘high tech’, but it’s not something we use lightly. We stay current in terms of our capital equipment and technology, as well as curriculum content. The thought process here is not ‘we teach, you hire.’ We know we need to provide skill sets parallel for what industry is doing, not just in the short term, but long term.”

One key change to the program is how the students put that technology to use. Initially, students worked on “canned projects,” producing pieces that had no real place in industry but were simply used as a teaching tool. That is no longer the case.

“What better way to teach these students from a craftsmanship standpoint, from a sense of pride, then to get them involved in real world projects where at the end of the day, at the end of the week, at the end of the semester, we ship components all over the country to real customers,” Duplessis explained. The students do real jobs for non-revenue generating products.

While some customers may have initial misgivings of using students for such precise work, once they get a sample of the work, the quality of the finished product wins them over.

“We have a customer in Texas who initially felt that the skill set that students possess would not meet his quality expectations, telling me ‘no way are students touching my parts.’ After getting a sample of the students’ work, he is now our largest customer,” reported Duplessis.

This real-world job experience helps prepare quality graduates. And that’s a process that is working, according to employers such as Scott Allen, plant manager of Smith & Wesson in Houlton. Smith & Wesson has hired a number of Duplessis’ graduates over the years, with five currently working at the plant—two as operators and three as higher-level manufacturing engineers.

“Anyone who has come to work for us from NMCC’s precision metals program comes well equipped and ready to work from day one,” said Allen. “It’s one thing to sit in a classroom; in Dean’s world, he’s teaching it and all of the students are getting hands-on, intuitive training. They understand how the machines work and the maintenance. It’s a good thing to have in our backyard.”

Duplessis keeps his program and students connected to employers across the state, such as Smith & Wesson, by visiting their shops annually. His goal is to give them a sense of the types of shops, ranging from corporate to small mom-and-pop operations, where they may end up working.

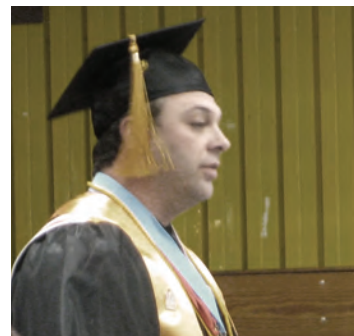
“We take a look at what’s happening on the floor, whether it’s an engineering approach, documentation, manufacturing process, quality control. We have discussions with past graduates [who are working there] and with owners, so when the students leave, it’s a part of their culture. They have more than just a foundation here,” said Duplessis.

With that foundation and the current demand for skills such as theirs, NMCC precision metals graduates are well positioned for the opportunities in Aroostook County and across the state, as well as nationally, in the metals manufacturing field.

“Dean’s program supplies me with enough manpower to meet all of my needs. Having that access here in Aroostook County is huge to my growth,” explained Allen. “The program at NMCC is an incubator for the technical expertise needed for a facility like this [Smith & Wesson] one. It opens doors for people looking to expand or open a business here that requires those skills.”

# Awarded for Service

PHI THETA KAPPA REMAINS HEALTHY AND STRONG AT NMCC



Left to right: Jonathan Post speaks at graduation; Michelle Longley and Gene Martin are recognized as All-Maine Scholars (with PTK advisor Lori Googins); PTK officers are recognized for their work during the 2012 student awards program; PTK's award-winning project, *Technology Then and Now*; students participate in the *Connect to Complete* project.

*“Being part of PTK was one of the best decisions I made at NMCC. PTK allowed me to give back to the college in some small way, but the experiences also benefitted me.”*

It's all about fellowship, service, leadership and scholarship...and nowhere are these hallmarks accomplished better than by the Phi Theta Kappa student honor society at NMCC. That's not just opinion or local bragging. It's actually been established independently through competitively-judged evaluations of chapter activities nationwide.

The past year's work by Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) will be a model of excellence with newly-established projects that will remain part of the group's efforts going forward.

The campus chapter of PTK, an international honor society for two-year colleges, had a standout 2011-2012 academic year in terms of its service projects within the college community, new member recruitment, an honors study project and community service projects.

## *Technology Then and Now*

Most notable was PTK's award-winning collaborative project with Presque Isle Middle School and the Presque Isle Historical Society called “Technology Then and Now”. The effort involved 44 middle-school students and culminated with 15 presentations during an enlightening evening which raised awareness about how technology has impacted our lives. From the computer mouse to Post-It Notes, students researched inventions and prepared the presentations during their English, science and social studies classes with help from their teachers. The P.I. Historical Society partnered in PTK's project by leading a presentation on

how technology has changed from the 1960's to today. Old photos of downtown Presque Isle, the library and hospital were displayed and a presentation on the changes in the telephone and automobile industries, ice harvesting and farming was offered. The entire demonstration was presented at the Middle School and NMCC via video conferencing (of course)!

## *Connect to Complete*

Also established during the year, with plans to continue for years to come, was the Connect to Complete program. The goal of this program is to help students successfully complete their field of study by linking students to students as well as students to faculty and administration. It's a mentoring program that connects students academically and socially. A Wii bowling tournament was held with nothing but entertainment in mind, as well as another electronic game night which focused on alcohol awareness. The Presque Isle Police Department provided beer goggles that simulate levels of impairment. Students and faculty then attempted to compete in Wii racing and bowling wearing the goggles. Lots of learning amid the laughter.

## *Community Projects*

PTK members were involved in a number of community projects including clothing drives, campus clean up, assistance with new student orientation, flu shot clinics, blood drives and the annual flower sale.

This outstanding work was recognized nationally during the International Phi Theta Kappa Conference in Nashville, Tennessee when the NMCC chapter was named one of the top 100 of the 1300 Phi Theta Kappa chapters around the world.

## *Individual Awards*

Credited as critical to the group's success, advisor Lori Googins was recognized as a Distinguished Advisor and NMCC Dean of Students Dr. Bill Egeler was named a Distinguished Administrator during the International Conference.

Earlier in the year, NMCC's PTK achieved five-star status and swept the awards at the regional conference held at Middlesex Community College in Massachusetts. The Five-Star Award honors chapters that engage in campus, local, regional and international involvement. The Pinnacle Award recognized the group's recruiting and orientation strategies; the Milestone Award acknowledged renewed enthusiasm of the chapter; the Distinguished Honors in Action Project Award (P.I. Middle School and Historical Society project) saluted work on an issue chosen by the international honor society; the Distinguished Issue Award: History; and the Distinguished College Project Award honored the achievement through the Connect to Complete Project.

The chapter can also boast of individual successes by PTK secretary Michelle Longley of Presque Isle and Gene Martin of Mapleton who were among 13 students chosen from across the



state to the 2012 All-Maine Academic Team for two-year colleges. Longley and Martin each received \$500 scholarships. They were nominated and selected for the team by NMCC based on outstanding academic achievement, leadership and service.

Longley was also named a Coca-Cola All-State Community College Gold Scholar, which earned her a \$1,500 scholarship. She went on to distinguish her chapter and herself by being selected as a Phi Theta Kappa Guistwhite Scholar. A panel of judges chose 20 Guistwhite Scholars from a national pool of more than 2,200 applicants to receive \$5000 scholarships to put toward completing a baccalaureate degree. Longley plans to continue her education at the University of Maine at Fort Kent majoring in Business Management and Health Care Administration.

“PTK has been a great way to get involved, meet new people, build leadership skills and earn scholarships. My entire time at NMCC has been a great fit for me,” Longley explained.

PTK president Jonathan Post also brought honors to the campus chapter with his selection as NMCC's Student of the Year. Post, a non-traditional student, decided to make a career change when his construction business was forced to close due to the struggling economy in 2009. It was a dramatic switch from carpentry to nursing, but even from the beginning, Post knew Northern Maine Community College was the place for him. He shared his message of the importance of service leadership as he addressed his classmates as the 2012 student speaker at commencement.

“Being part of PTK was one of the best decisions I made at NMCC. PTK allowed me to give back to the college in some small way, but the experiences also benefitted me. I am very grateful to have been part of the Phi Theta Kappa family.”

All in all, the accomplishments of this year's PTK will be tough to beat.

# Community Service - The NMCC Way



Left page clockwise: Job Fair, Ronald McDonald House, Benefit Supper for Frank Labbe, Maine Veterans' Home. Right page top: Presque Isle Historical Society, bottom: St. Apollonia Dental Clinic.

A number of students at NMCC get involved in community service projects, either through a class or a student organization, or even on their own. Below is just a sampling of some of the projects that students have been involved with in the past year.

## Job Fair

Human resources management students assume various roles preparing for NMCC's annual Community Job Fair.

## Ronald McDonald House

A number of NMCC students and employees took part in the annual Polar Dip off the coast of Maine in February to raise funds for Maine's Ronald McDonald House. The annual event features about 100 dippers from colleges and universities in Maine and New Brunswick. This year's NMCC team included 17 dippers and 17 "towellers" to ensure their safety after leaving the frigid waters. The group raised about \$4,000 for the cause.

## Benefit Supper for Frank Labbe

When students in last spring's marketing class heard about the fundraising event for Frank Labbe, a long-time employee of the college's dining services staff, they rallied behind the cause and took on the advertising/marketing functions for the event. With their help, more than \$5,000 was raised for Labbe's medical treatment costs.

## Catholic Charities

Members of the Student Nurses Association held a cereal box drive, collecting cereal and other dry good items for Catholic Charities to be distributed through their food pantries. Members of NMCC's commercial driving academy, led by instructor Dennis Dyer, also helped to transport goods for Catholic Charities.

## Raven Center

As part of a residential life community service project, 10 students volunteered at Presque Isle's Raven Center food pantry, sorting food boxes and preparing them for delivery as well

as helping them prepare for their auction to raise funds for a heating system for the center.

## Maine Veterans' Home

The NMCC Student Senate annually sponsors a "Support Maine's Veterans" volleyball tournament to raise funds to support the Maine Veterans' Home in Caribou. Teams of students, employees and community members raise funds for the cause in order to compete. This year's competition raised over \$1,200.

## Financial Fitness Fair

Students from NMCC's leadership class volunteer to staff booths, act as tutors and create materials to be distributed at the Education booth during this annual event conducted by county credit unions to help high school juniors better understand budgeting and financial responsibility.

## St. Apollonia Dental Clinic

NMCC electrical instructor Todd Maynard and a number of his students did some of the electrical work required to renovate the space for the clinic and get it operational. Three students from the precision metals manufacturing program were involved in machining components for a donor tree for the clinic.

## Presque Isle Historical Society

Instructor Chuck Kelley and several of his electrical/electronics students worked on two projects for the Presque Isle Historical Society that will become part of an interactive museum experience. First, they added an electronic panel to the 'What is it?' artifacts mercantile box that generates either a positive or negative response based on a person's guess on the item in the box. The second project incorporates an MP3 player and speakers into a display on the Aroostook War, so that museum goers can play the "theme" song of the war while they view the display.

## 30-Hour Famine

Students from NMCC's ethics classes, as well as some PTK members, took part in World Vision's 30-Hour Famine, experiencing first-hand the hunger that is a daily reality in many parts of the world while raising money and awareness for the cause.

"Projects such as these, which partner students with community members, local businesses, non-profits, and others, benefit everyone," said Pam Crawford, NMCC business administration instructor. "There are multiple advantages: practical application of classroom learning, networking, sharing of experiences and expertise, results to be proud of, development or honing of managerial skills, and the intangible reward that comes from making personal contributions to the broader community. To create life-long learners, I believe in showing them how what they learn and contribute makes their world a better place to live."

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# Events at the College

Each year, NMCC hosts a variety of events to showcase the strengths of the College and its community members. Among those taking place in 2011-2012:

## 1. Focus the Nation

For the second year in a row the current status and future development of alternative energy in Maine were center stage at a forum hosted by students at NMCC on March 7.

## 2. LEAD Breakfast with the Governor

Governor Paul LePage visited the NMCC campus on October 7 to speak at a breakfast co-sponsored by the College and LEAD (Leaders Encouraging Aroostook Development).

## 3. Gauvin Business Wing Dedication

NMCC's business technology wing was dedicated in honor of Raynold and Sandra Gauvin during a ceremony on April 19.

## 4. Auto Technology Students Race Tricycles

Four NMCC automotive technology seniors and their instructor, Dan Boyd, were selected to compete in the first-ever "Gear Wrench Racing Speed Challenge" on September 23 at the New Hampshire Motor Speedway in Loudon.

## 5. Leadership Maine Visit

Participants in the 2011 Maine Development Foundation's Leadership Maine program visited NMCC's alternative energy center in October. Instructor Al St. Peter demonstrated the blower door and discussed energy auditing, while instructor Pam Buck showed the College's mini-home, a pressure house that is controlled electronically and uses a smoke machine to help students visually understand the effects of pressure and the flow of energy in a home.

## 6. Seven Seals Award

NMCC was selected to receive the elite Seven Seals Award in recognition of support of our employees and students in the military.

## 7. Welding Lab Re-Opening

More than 50 college and community leaders attended a presentation about the importance of training the state's workforce with the skills needed by employers. The event served as the official re-opening of the College's welding lab, which has just undergone a \$500,000 upgrade in facilities and equipment.

## 8. Graduation

NMCC President Timothy Crowley conferred 217 associate degrees and 50 certificates to 259 graduates on May 19, 2012. They were given words of wisdom from Dan Boyd, a long-time faculty member retiring from the College. He spoke of service and character, and the importance of being a positive influence. "I leave you with this: Sow a good thought, reap a good action. Sow a good action, reap a good habit. Sow a good habit, reap great character. Sow great character, reap your destiny. Now, go be a positive influence and build your destiny."



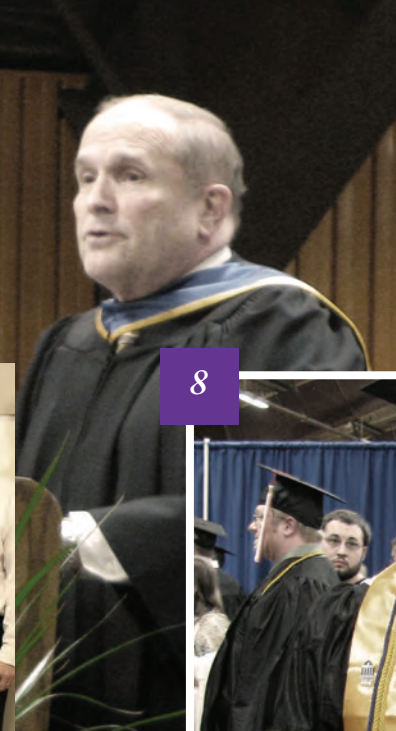
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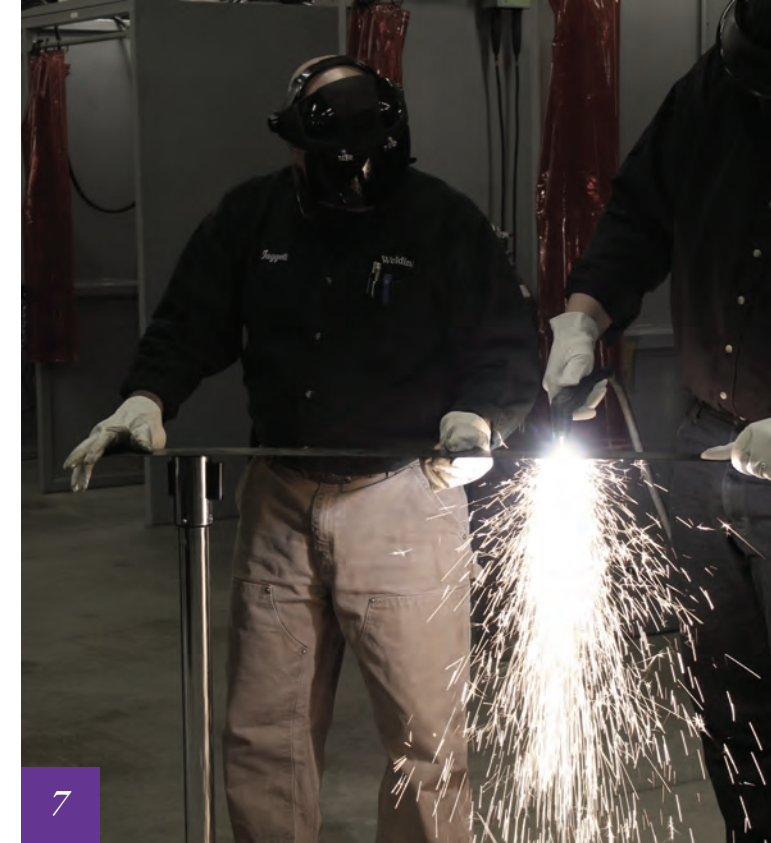
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# NMCC Alumni & Friends Association

## Homecoming

The NMCC Alumni & Friends Organization worked with the College to host the second annual Homecoming weekend on September 9 & 10, 2011. Approximately 700 campus and community members stopped by to enjoy the BBQ luncheon during the NMCC Open House and listen to the Presque Isle Middle School Jazz Band. Other featured activities that day included an open house, a harvest bazaar, and various entertainment. The Falcons also hosted a soccer game against a team of NMCC alums. Despite a valiant effort by alumni, the Falcons won the game with a final score of 6 to 1.

The highlight of the weekend was the 50th Anniversary Gala in NMCC's gymnasium. The event honored 47 alumni (one from each graduating class) and three community members as NMCC 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. Nearly 450 attended the event, which was held as a fundraiser for the NMCC Foundation.



## Regional Meeting

As part of an effort to build membership and reconnect with fellow alumni, the NMCC Alumni & Friends Organization hosted a reception in Houlton in April, 2012. The event was coordinated by alumni board member Sylvia Forte of Houlton. A number of board members, along with NMCC President Tim Crowley, attended the Houlton gathering. The group plans to host a similar reception in the St. John Valley in the coming year.



# 2012 Report to Donors

A Message From  
The Foundation Chair

Dear Friends, Alumni and Advocates of Northern Maine Community College:

When I graduated from this institution several years ago, it never occurred to me that one day I might have the opportunity to serve Northern Maine Community College in the capacity I have enjoyed this past year. In my role as Chair of the Foundation Board, I have been consistently reminded of the quality of this institution and the people who serve as its heartbeat.



One of my first duties was to host a luncheon for recipients and donors of newly-endowed scholarships. During that event, it was heartwarming to hear students talk about what scholarship funds have allowed them to do and how those funds are shaping their lives. As the year has progressed, I have been rewarded with similar stories from other students whose pursuit of educational dreams are made possible through the generosity of others.

Early this year, we announced the single largest gift ever received by the College when Mary Smith made the incredibly generous donation of \$5 million, earmarked for the new wellness and student center. This was a benchmark moment in the 50-year history of NMCC. Our profound gratitude to Mrs. Smith for her impact on this campus, on higher education and to this community cannot be adequately stated. Her legacy of generosity will be reflected in the lives of each student walking these halls. The support and confidence Mrs. Smith has entrusted to us as stewards of this institution is unparalleled.

On the heels of Mrs. Smith’s donation, the past few months have been an exciting time as we watch the plans coming together for this new facility. A groundbreaking is anticipated for spring 2013, and the Foundation Board has pledged to raise \$300,000 towards the match of Mary’s gift. To date, several businesses have committed their financial support for this project, and you will be hearing more about these efforts in the coming months.

In April, I was honored to be a part of the dedication ceremony for the Gauvin Business Technology Wing, named in recognition of Ray and Sandy Gauvin for their long-standing commitment to the College, both in terms of financial support and in the sharing of their time and talents.

For the past seven years TD Bank has partnered with the NMCC Foundation for the annual TD Bank Golf Tournament, and we thank them for their generous support. This year’s tournament held in August generated more than \$20,000 to benefit the NMCC Foundation, the most successful year to date.

In large part, the viability of any institution of higher education is dependent on the involvement of its alumni. Under Scott Carlin’s leadership, the NMCC Alumni & Friends Organization, which is still in its infancy, continues to grow, with the third annual Homecoming taking place this past September. Mike Thibodeau assumed the role of president at the alumni dinner during Homecoming, and I have confidence that his enthusiasm and leadership will be reflected in continued growth and energy among alumni and college friends.

It has been a pleasure and privilege to work closely with President Tim Crowley this past year. The very dynamics, mission and integrity of any institution of higher education is fueled by its leadership, and we are fortunate to have Tim serving as our leader. A special thanks to Shannon Cook and Karen Gonya for all of their support and assistance this past year, they have both been a tremendous help to me and the entire board.

In closing, I thank each of you for the time and effort you have invested in the Foundation. It is through your personal commitment that we are able to continue having an impact on the lives of students pursuing their educational goals; students who will one day be vital contributors to the quality of life we share in the community, our state and our nation.

*Vicki J. Smith*

Vicki J. Smith

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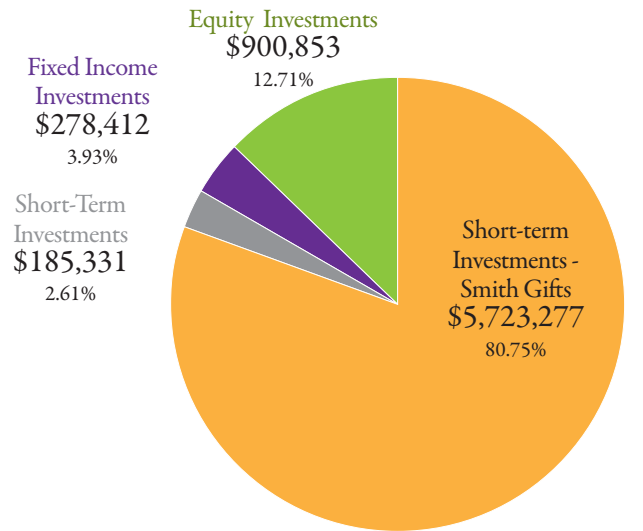
Condensed Balance Sheets  
As of June 30, 2012 and 2011

	2012	2011
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash	\$11,543	\$2,391
Contributions/Accounts Receivable	4,000	52,132
Investments	7,087,873	2,462,526
Total Assets	\$7,103,416	\$2,517,049
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		
Deferred Revenue/Accounts Payable	\$5,651,962	\$1,100,370
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Unrestricted	18,646	32,295
Temporarily Restricted	310,323	346,239
Permanently Restricted	1,122,485	1,038,145
Total Net Assets	1,451,454	1,416,679
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$7,103,416	\$2,517,049

Condensed Statement of Activities  
For the Years Ended June 30, 2012 and 2011

	2012	2011
<b>Revenue</b>		
Donations	\$5,115,268	\$1,327,902
Fundraising & Other Revenue	63,265	46,150
NMCC Contribution to Expenses	37,200	37,200
Investment Income (Loss)	(14,666)	241,651
Total Revenue	5,201,067	1,652,903
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Scholarships and Grants	43,936	34,133
Major Gifts Awards	5,022,534	1,262,020
Fundraising Expenses	12,377	17,454
Administrative Expenses	87,445	65,882
Total Expenditures	5,166,292	1,379,489
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$34,775	\$273,414

Portfolio Composition - 2012



A Message From  
The Foundation Treasurer

On February 2, 2012, your Foundation received a gift from Mary Smith of \$5,003,750 to support the Rodney Smith Wellness Center and the Akeley Student Center. This generous gift from Mrs. Smith followed her gifts of \$1,250,000 in late 2010 that support alternative education projects at the College. In addition, the Foundation received gifts from other friends of the College totaling \$111,518 in fiscal year 2012 and \$77,902 in fiscal year 2011, reflecting the continued support of the community for the College and Foundation. As a result, donations increased from \$1,327,902 for fiscal year 2011 to \$5,115,268 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012.

The Smith gifts earmarked for alternative energy projects resulted in grants and awards expenses of \$1,262,020 for fiscal year 2011 compared to \$5,022,534 this year, reflecting the commitment for the wellness and student centers. As qualifying projects are completed, the Foundation reimburses the College for its expenditures. At June 30, 2012, the College was at various stages of identifying, evaluating, or procuring equipment and facility upgrades for various alternative energy projects as well as planning for the wellness and student centers. Unspent Smith gift proceeds are invested in short-term investments while earmarked purchases are reflected as accounts payable. For the year ended June 30, 2012, total assets increased to \$7,103,416 compared to \$2,517,049 for the same period in 2011, due principally to the increase in short-term investments. Deferred revenue/accounts payable increased from \$1,100,370 for the fiscal year 2011 to \$5,651,962 for the fiscal year 2012, 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 a loss of \$14,666 for the year ended June 30, 2012. Investment returns for the managed endowed funds were approximately 2% and 20% for the fiscal years 2012 and 2011, 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

## College Receives \$5 Million Donation



Officials from the NMCC Foundation and Northern Maine Community College made the announcement of a historic \$5 million gift in February, 2012, that will have a “transformative impact” on the College. The gift comes from a staunch supporter of NMCC, Mary Barton Akeley Smith, and will be used to provide the lion’s share of the \$6 million needed to add a wellness and student center at the College.

(See page 2 for more details on this exciting project.) It marks the largest gift by an individual private donor that has ever been given to a Community College in Maine. “This is truly a pivotal moment in the 50-year history of Northern Maine Community College,” said Vicki Smith, NMCC Foundation board chair. “Words cannot express our profound gratitude to Mrs. Smith. Her impact on this campus, on higher education, and on this community cannot be overstated. The support she has shown and confidence she has entrusted to all of us as stewards of this fine institution is unparalleled.”

Renovation and construction work for the Rodney Smith Wellness Center and the Akeley Student Center is slated to begin in February 2013. Plans call for the centers to be fully operational for the Fall 2014 semester.



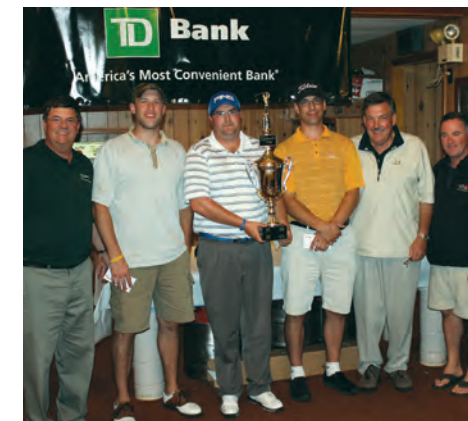
## Sixth Annual TD Bank Golf Tournament



Northern Maine Community College students were the beneficiaries of more than \$18,000 in scholarship funds raised through the sixth annual TD Bank Golf Tournament held on August 11, 2011 at the Aroostook Valley Country Club in Fort Fairfield.

“TD Bank is extremely pleased with our continuing partnership with the NMCC Foundation. Our annual golf tournament provides a wonderful opportunity to join together for a day of fun with our customers, employees, NMCC staff, sponsors, and NMCC Foundation donors to raise much needed financial support for the Foundation,” said Michael J. Kelley, TD Bank regional vice president. “Our sponsors and supporters have remained very generous. The proceeds from this tournament are all about the future of our youth, and we all remain proud and honored to be a small part of that future.”

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.



## Investing in Innovation

The NMCC Foundation Investing in Innovation Fund was established in 2008 through the first-ever major gifts campaign at NMCC in part to ensure area employers have a pool of highly qualified employees. The fund recently awarded grants to two faculty members at NMCC. The grants are providing for purchases of new technology that might not otherwise be possible.

The first project funded was the purchase of a Fluke 1587 Insulation Multimeter that will benefit the automotive technology, diesel hydraulics and automotive collision repair

programs. The new piece of equipment was needed as curriculum is adjusted to include hybrid and electric vehicle technology. Over \$500 was allocated to support this project, and as many as 54 students per year will benefit.

The second project, the Investing in Innovation Fund provided over \$1,600 for the purchase of a MacBook Pro Laptop for the business technology department. The popularity of Apple products has increased and many students entering college have been using Mac Computers since middle school. This will give students the opportunity to



continue to use Macs here on campus.

A committee comprised of two NMCC Foundation Board Members, two College administrators, four faculty members, and two staff members review the requests for funding.

## 50th Anniversary Gala

On September 10, 2011 nearly 450 alumni, community members, and NMCC employees filled the gymnasium for the 50th Anniversary Gala Dinner. Fifty alumni and community members were recognized as NMCC Shining Stars. The gala raised more than \$25,000 to benefit the NMCC Foundation.



## NMCC Foundation Annual Dinner



### 2011 Eagle Award

Recipients of the Eagle Award were foundation staff members Jason Parent and Shannon Cook. Presenting the award were Brian Hamel, foundation board chair, and NMCC President Timothy Crowley.



### 2011 Outstanding Benefactor Award

Mary Smith was named Outstanding Benefactor. Accepting on her behalf was Roger and Sarah Akeley. The award was presented by Brian Hamel, foundation board chair; Vicki Smith, foundation vice chair; Dick Engels, foundation board member; and NMCC President Timothy Crowley.



# Honor Roll of Donors

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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.

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## 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 2011 fiscal year:

### In Memory Of

Betty Baulch  
Larry Cowett  
Mitchell Cyr  
Kathy Crowley Fuller  
Peter G. Hunt, Sr.  
Paula Kay Judkins  
James McBreairty  
Evelyn Powers  
Polly Powers

### In Honor Of

Ray and Sandy Gauvin

# 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.

**Betty Baulch Scholarship** – Created for students in the nursing and allied health department by NMCC employees and alumni, this scholarship honors Betty Baulch Clark, a former long-time chair of that department.

**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.

**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.

**Tom and Betty K. Conant Scholarship Fund** – This Fund was established by Tom Conant and his wife, Betty Kent-Conant. It 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.

**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-McBrearty Memorial Scholarship Fund** – Established in honor and memory of the late James and Doris (Dickinson) McBrearty, 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 or diesel hydraulics 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.

**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 the late Phyllis Duke 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 students 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, this scholarship was established through donations from employees and other college friends when Dr. Huffman retired. This scholarship is award to a full-time second year student. The recipient will have demonstrated academic excellence.

**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.

**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.

**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 McGlaufflin Memorial Scholarship** – Established by McGlaufflin, 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.

**Machias Savings Bank Scholarship Fund** – This fund was established through a donation from Machias Savings Bank to benefit deserving students from Aroostook, Penobscot, Washington or Hancock Counties enrolled in a business-related field of study. The fund will be 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 that have a direct connection to the Maine potato growing industry, via his/herself or their immediate family and 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 full-time student pursuing 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 Presque Isle High School graduates or a resident of Presque Isle 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.

**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.

**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 techni-

cal education in 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 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.

**S. W. Collins Company Scholarship Fund** – This scholarship fund was established by S. W. Collins Company and is intended for a student in a building trades 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 Scholarship in 2012

**Smith's Farm Scholarship** – This scholarship fund was established by Smith's Farm, Inc. during The Campaign for the County's College. This scholarship is intended for residents of Aroostook County with preference given to students enrolled in accounting, business administration, diesel hydraulics, or welding and metal fabrication.



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