

QCC e-News

The Campus Newsletter of
Quinsigamond Community College



Above: Congressman Richard Neal addresses College staff, local legislators, town officials, and the media at the Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center, where he announced an appropriation that will allow Westfield State College to join QCC at its Southbridge campus. Right: QCC President Gail Carberry (center) speaks with Congressman Neal (left) and WSC President Evan Dobbelle.



QCC Joined by WSC in South County

On July 7, Congressman Richard Neal, together with Westfield State and Quinsigamond Community College, hosted a news conference to announce Westfield State's expansion into Southbridge.



Westfield State is moving into the same business park where QCC Southbridge is located, near 5 Optical Drive. QCC will collaborate with Westfield's criminal justice and homeland security programs, to provide students a seamless transition from QCC's criminal justice program into the WSC curriculum.

A Growing Partnership

This fall, when QCC students can fully complete a criminal justice associates degree at the QCC Southbridge campus, they will also have a bachelors degree option right next door. Once WSC's move is finalized, students are expected to be able to complete both their associate and bachelors degree solely at the two colleges' Southbridge locations.



QCC President Gail Carberry added, "Westfield State's move builds upon our economic development and educational efforts in South County. We are pleased to partner with WSC and have them join us."

Campus News

Send us your news! We want to hear what's happening in your department and with your students or staff. Submit information at www.QCC.edu/newsletter.html. Events, awards, success stories... We want to share your news with the entire QCC community.

News and information is due on the following dates: August 18, September 15, and October 13.



New Members on QCC Foundation Board

The following five new members were elected to the QCC Foundation Board of Directors at its June annual meeting: **Paul Bowler**, chief operating officer of Overlook Health Systems in Charlton and member of the South County Leadership Group; **Deborah Harmon Hines**, Ph.D., professor of cell biology at the University Massachusetts Medical School and director of the Worcester Pipeline Collaborative; **Lisa Krach**, co-manager and owner of the Vienna Restaurant in Southbridge and member of the South County Leadership Group; **Monica Escobar Lowell**, vice president of community relations at Umass Memorial Health Care; and **David Ojerholm**, partner at Houssan & Ojerholm.

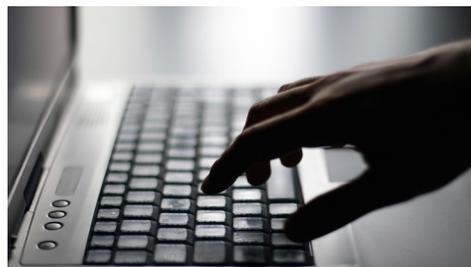


President Carberry Elected to Clean Energy Board

Governor Deval Patrick recently appointed **QCC President Gail Carberry** to the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center. The MassCEC is the only state organization of its kind in the nation working to comprehensively develop the clean energy sector. It aims to utilize resources in academia, entrepreneurship, and workforce skills to grow the clean energy industry.

TEC Expands Partnerships, Course Offerings

The **Training and Education Center** has expanded its partnership list recently. Partners HealthCare, an integrated health system located in the Boston area with more than 50,000 employees, has contracted with the TEC to provide training to their workforce. The first course, an online Introduction to Medical Terminology class, was offered twice this summer. TEC has also partnered with Career Step to offer high demand online medical training courses for students throughout QCC's service territory. The courses currently offered include Inpatient/Outpatient Medical Coding and Billing, Medical Transcription, Outpatient Medical Coding and Billing, and Medical Transcription Editor.



QCC Wins Skills Training Provider Award

QCC received **Honorable Mention in the 2010 Skills Training Provider of the Year Award**, given by the Workforce Solutions Group at the June 22 Massachusetts Jobs and Workforce Summit in Sturbridge. QCC won the award for its demonstrated commitment to skills training, through degree granting and certificate/professional training. QCC has developed partnerships with numerous regional educational and labor organizations, including the Central MA Regional Employment Board/Workforce Central, the Worcester Public Schools, Worcester Community Action Council, Int'l Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 96, and various chambers of commerce.



* Upcoming Events *

August 16-19: Math Boot Camp for students: The Math Department is offering a week long Math Boot Camp for students who have tested into MAT 090 but would like to improve their skills. Individual and group work... Online practice tests & math games... All in preparation for a re-take of the math CPT. If interested, contact Sue Gonet and 508.854.4569 or sgonet@qcc.mass.edu.

August: In the South County Area? Support PTK! The Phi Theta Kappa students will be in Southbridge this summer to participate in the city's Concerts on the Common. August 8, 13, 22, and 28. Shows start at 6 p.m. except for 8/22 which runs 4-8 p.m.!

September 20: "Driving for Scholarships." QCC Thirteenth Annual Golf Classic at Wachusett Country Club. For more information, call Nancy Chosta at x4385 or email nancyc@qcc.mass.edu.

September 25: Bourne Scallop Festival and Cape Cod Canal Cruise. Depart from QCC at 8 a.m. on Silver Fox Motor Coach. Return 6 p.m. Cost: \$59. Call Nancy Chosta at x4385 for further information.

Faculty, Staff, & Student Notes



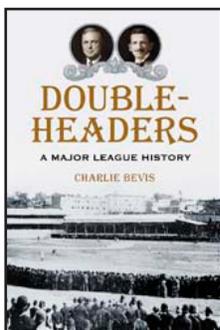
Congrats to Baseball Student-Athletes

QCC student-athletes **Spencer Donovan** (First Team All New England), **Pat Gilman** (Second Team All New England), and **Matt Morissette** (First Team All New England) were presented their NJCAA awards by President Carberry and QCC baseball coach Mike Fusaro. **Charlie Remmington** of the baseball team is not pictured, but received Honorable Mention.



QCC Student Taekwondo Champ, Next Stop: Olympics?

Jayson Grant took one step closer to the 2012 Olympics when he won his second national championship at the Taekwondo Senior National championships in Orlando, Florida. With the win, Jayson also qualified for team trials for 2012 London Olympic Games. Jayson is a part-time student majoring in Criminal Justice.

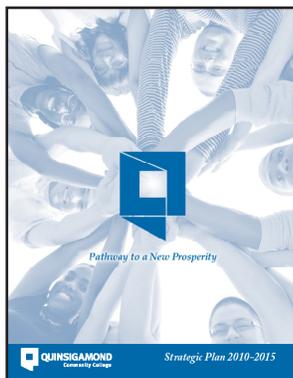


Adjunct Professor Pens New Book

Charlie Bevis, a QCC adjunct English instructor, has written a new book that is due to be released in Fall/Winter 2010. Information regarding, Doubleheaders: A Major League History, is available at the following link:

<http://www.mcfarlandpub.com/book-2.php?id=978-0-7864-4214-0>

According to the Web site "Charlie Bevis explores the long history of the major league doubleheader from its beginnings in the late 19th century up to the present day, emphasizing its significance within baseball and popular culture."



Institutional Research And Planning Keep Busy

QCC's Office of Institutional Research is now the Office of Institutional Research and Planning, as it has been charged with beginning the Strategic Plan implementation process and breaking it down into future tangible results. Newly added staff member, **Meredith Galena**, will assist IRP director, **Ingrid Skadberg**, with the communication and coordination involved. Ingrid, with additional IRP staff, **Stacy Kadish**, senior research analyst, and **Deb Nash**, administrative support, have been busy both finalizing and beginning a number of research projects related to developmental education, the CAPS Program, ESL students, enrollment and persistence, as well as the graduate student survey around job placement, employment, and educational satisfaction, to name a few.

National Youth Manufacturing Camp on Campus

As one of only 17 colleges in the country chosen to host a national youth manufacturing camp, QCC will offer a week-long Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs® manufacturing summer camp for middle school students. Designed to help inspire the next generation of inventors, engineers, entrepreneurs and manufacturers, the camp is a technical, hands-on experience to introduce students to 21st century manufacturing technology and basic entrepreneurial skills. The camp is funded by a \$4,000 grant from Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs® and the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship, as well as the **QCC Foundation**. The Boys and Girls Club of Worcester, along with the Worcester Public Schools are key partners in the camp. QCC's **Jean McLean** and **Betty Lauer** are running the camp, which begins on August 2.



Did You Know?

From March 18 through July 18, QCC was in some way featured, included, or mentioned in local/regional print media over 50 times? Check out a few recent mentionings:

Telegram & Gazette: <http://www.telegram.com/article/20100715/NEWS/7150745/1003/NEWS03>

Telegram & Gazette: <http://www.telegram.com/article/20100708/NEWS/7080795/1003/NEWS03>

NECN News: http://www.necn.com/06/22/10/Colleges-forced-to-raise-fees/landing_business.html?blockID=258908&feedID=4209

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Project Triumph Students Triumph

On June 22nd the **Training and Education Center and Disability Services** hosted a graduation celebration for the student of Project Triumph. Six students completed the program and received certificates. The evening was highlighted when Project Triumph received an award of recognition from the Worcester Senior Center, in recognition of its dedication to promoting diversity in the workplace and contributing positively to the community. This is the third cohort to complete the 10 month non-credit certificate program.



Writing Workshop a Success

Disability Services and the McNair Grant sponsored a unique week long writing workshop for students in June. The pilot workshop was based on The Freedom Writer's Diary and allowed fifteen volunteer students to engaged in activities that were directed at improving their strategies for written expression, paragraph formation, peer editing skills, and personal discovery. The group ended the week by creating personal websites to share their writing and experiences.

QCC Student Shares Mission Stories, Photos



QCC student Juana Gonzalez shared some fascinating stories and photos with the Marketing Department, from her recent trip to the Dominican Republic.

Gonzalez, a work study student in the QCC Admissions office, traveled to the Dominican as part of a group from the New Jerusalem Church in Worcester. Every week her Reverend, Jose Medina, sends money to the natives in Los Cocos, along with other bare essentials, including food, toothbrushes, clothes, school supplies, and shoes, among other things. From June 30 to July 17, Gonzalez was on a missionary trip and hand delivered these items to the villagers. She also brought along some QCC frisbees (which had the previous QCC logo) to give the children.

Gonzalez stated, "Seeing this kids was extremely rewarding, and it was especially fun being able to give them these great frisbees from QCC."

Gonzalez is a Phi Theta Kappa officer who is majoring in business and taking part in the QCC-Nichols College A to B Business Program.

