Wyvern at Center Court

QCC’s gymnasium received a makeover recently, when its basketball court was repainted with the new College mascot - the Wyvern. A professional artist took about a week to paint the endlines and the center court.

He began with a full size sketch, drawn by hand with charcoal, that was laid over where the actual logo would be painted. Once removed, the painting could begin. The word “Wyvern” is now on the floor at both endlines, while the full Wyvern logo now covers center court.

The Rebranding Continues

QCC continues in its rebranding efforts across a number of mediums within the College. All brochures, booklets, and catalogs now carry the new logo. Giveaways, and athletic and casual apparel include the new Wyvern image. The Marketing and Communications Department has made a concerted effort to ensure the new logo and Wyvern mascot are fixtures on all publications and casual items. The effort can be seen on roadside billboards and advertisements placed in Worcester and South County media as well.
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: July 14, August 18, and September 15. QCC E-News will be published the week after the due date.

Children’s School Art Exhibit Event

On April 13, 2010, the Quinsigamond Children's School hosted an opening reception for the Children School Art Exhibit. Families, friends, staff, Early Childhood Education classes, ECE alumni and art classes viewed the display. Families and guests also watched a dvd show of the children creating their art. Various types of creations were on display for 3 weeks in the Administration main hall. Art work included table and easel paintings, 3-D art with foam, wood and metals, a creation of a castle from the ideas of the children in Classroom 1 and a welcoming robot created by the children in Classroom 2.

New Hires Welcomed

The Community Engagement office recently welcomed three new staff members. Dr. Deborah Gonzalez moved into her new role as Director of Community Bridges. Kathleen O’Connor moved into her new position of Corporate Training Specialist for the Training and Education Center. And lastly, Beatrice Torres was welcomed as the new Clerk III at QCC’s Southbridge location. Enrollment Services welcomed Rebecca Brownstein into her new role as a Senior Enrollment Counselor, and Administrative Services welcomed Jonathan Flood as the new Storekeeper II in the College Bookstore.

PTK’s Annual Charity Cookout on Campus

This year’s Annual QCC PTK Charity Cookout will be on September 16 with a rain date of September 23. 100% of the proceeds will be split between the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp which aids kids with serious illnesses, and the Second Chance Animal Shelter, a local no-kill shelter offering low/no cost spay/neuter and vaccine clinics for area animals. Members will begin selling raffle tickets around campus soon! Raffle donations will also be accepted by Bonnie Coleman (Rm 160A) or Chris Fintzel at cfintzel@qmail.qcc.edu. Thanks to all who support their efforts!

Share Your Ideas Through the Idea Factory

The Community Engagement (CE) office would love to hear from you! CE welcomes ideas and stories for the Idea Factory. Submit information through the convenient electronic format online. Make submissions to the idea factory through the QCC Intranet’s Frequently Used Forms page - click on “Idea Factory Form.” Utilizing the Raiser’s Edge database, CE will track your ideas by cataloging them, directing them to the appropriate people or department(s), and following up with any action taken.

Upcoming Events

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July & 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 Concert on the Common Series. Students will hand out information about QCC and Phi Theta Kappa and also be selling waters! Concert dates and times are: July 10, 18, 23, and 31. August 8, 13, 22, and 28. All shows start at 6 p.m. except for August 22 which runs 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.!

July 22: Hampton Beach Trip. Tickets available in the Fuller Student Center. $5.00 per person. Bus leaves campus at 9 a.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 Doctoral Achievers

Congratulations are in order to two QCC staffers who have achieved their doctoral degrees in recent months. Liza Smith, Coordinator of Career and Academic Planning, received her Ph.D. in Education, within the Leadership for Higher Education program at Capella University. Lori Corcoran, Associate Dean of Disability Services, received her Ed. D. from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, based on her research Factors Influencing Transition and Persistence in the First Year for Community College Students with Disabilities.

Disability Services Coordinator Co-Authors Article

In the May/June 2010 Teaching Exceptional Children issue, Coordinator of Disability Services, Laura Rowley, co-authored the article “Teaching Social Skills and Academic Strategies to College Students with Asperger’s Syndrome.” This article shares the framework the University of Connecticut has implemented to teach students with Asperger’s Syndrome study skills, organization techniques, and appropriate social skills.

Student Athletes Excel

The QCC softball team received the NJCAA Region 21 Sportsmanship Award. Men’s basketball player Sergio Florence received NJCAA Region 21 2nd Team All New England for the second year in a row.

Four baseball players were honored with post-season awards: Spencer Donovan - 1st Team All New England (Freshman); Matt Morissette - 1st Team All New England (Freshman); Pat Gilman - 2nd Team All New England (Freshman); Charlie Remmington - Honorable Mention (Sophomore)

Students Take Part in Worcester Police Symposium

Students in QCC professor Sarah Sadowski’s “Valuing Diversity” course participated in a symposium last week led by Worcester Human Rights Commissioner Fran Manocchio, Worcester Police Chief Gary Gemme, and Worcester Deputy Chief of Police Edward McGinn. The focus of the symposium was community and police response to bias and hate crimes in Worcester. Students took part in discussions on specific incidents of bias and hate crimes in Worcester as well as larger national trends. Also discussed were various approaches to responding to and preventing such crimes, including No Place for Hate and Hate Not Here programs.

More Notables

• Disability Services Resources: Disability Services has updated and added several items to its QCC Portal page including: disability law, faculty and staff responsibilities, the electronic Exam Checklist, and what questions are frequently asked. Take a minute to check it out at: https://confucius.qcc.mass.edu/ics/Student_Services/Disability_Services.jnz

Further questions or disability information can be obtained by calling 508.854.4471 or emailing disabilitieservices@qcc.mass.edu.

• The Open Door had its largest staff ever with 17 members. And during Spring Semester, we became a member of the Associated Collegiate Press, the oldest and largest national membership organization for college student journalists. We have submitted entries to the ACP’s Individual Awards Contest for writing and design.
From the President

It’s good to know, as we build a campus culture to promote innovation and success, that statistics around positive change support our strategies. – QCC President Gail Carberry

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