QCC Celebrates New Satellite Locations
Receptions at Burncoat and Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School

QCC celebrated its newest satellite location at Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School in Marlborough on December 6 and its Automotive Technology Program move to Burncoat Senior High School, on November 28.

The celebratory receptions were attended by QCC, Burncoat and Assabet Valley faculty and staff, officials from Worcester Public Schools, constituents, State- and Local-elected officials, community leaders, Trustees, members of the QCC Foundation and the Marlborough Chamber of Commerce.

The new QCC satellite location at Assabet will serve students in the Marlborough-area with programming being taught in the Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School proper, while the new location of the Auto Tech Center will allow for more classroom space and an expanded partnership with Burncoat that includes opportunities for Burncoat grads.

Attendees at the Burncoat Celebration

President Carberry speaks with Marlborough business man, Jack Cutone and below...

...Burncoat reception attendees

Don Morin with Roland Gauthier

Senator Michael Moore at Burncoat reception
Massachusetts Community Colleges Acknowledged at State House for $20 Million U.S. Department of Labor Grant; QCC is lead institution

On Monday, December 12, 2011, Presidents of the 15 Massachusetts Community Colleges acknowledged the campus teams and external partners who designed and collaborated on the winning $20 million Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training Grant funded through the U.S. Department of Labor, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Education at a ceremony held at the State House.

The $20 million grant entitled “Massachusetts Community College and Workforce Development Transformation Agenda” proposal was submitted by all 15 Community Colleges, with Quinsigamond Community College serving as the lead institution in partnership with the Commonwealth’s workforce system and key industry partners.

Festive Holiday Luncheon An Annual Delight

The Staff Development Committee held its annual Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, December 6 in the HLC. Fabulous food, beautiful decorations and collegial socialization were highlights of the event.
QCC Math Team places FIRST in Round One of Regional Competition

The QCC Math Team is in first place out of all the Northeast Region teams after round one of the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (AMATYC) Student Math League Competition. This is the second year QCC has competed in this event.

There were 20 teams total that competed in round one from the northeast. At the end of Round One of the AMATYC Student Math League Competition the top 5 teams were, in order of ranking, Quinsigamond Community College, LaGuardia Community College, Bristol Community College, Suffolk County Community College and Monroe Community College. QCC is currently 34th in the country out of the 192 teams that participated from all regions.

QCC students Michael Smith, Shai He, Amirhossein Farvardin and Hardik Hanslia ranked in the top 20 in the Northeast region. Congratulations to the QCC Math Team on first place at the end of Round One!

Strategic Implementation Fund Proposals Now Being Accepted!

The Office of Institutional Research and Planning, with the College’s Executive Team and the Strategic Action Team leaders are accepting proposals for the Strategic Plan Implementation Fund. The next deadline is February 6, 2012.

Based on the focus of the Action Teams and the College’s Executive Team, IRaP will encourage proposals that will have a positive impact on retention and graduation rates at QCC!

The schedule for the spring proposals will be the following:

- Proposals due on or before: February 6
- Action Team reviews completed on or before: February 21 (Proposals are then reviewed by the Team Leaders, IRaP and shared with E-Team)
- Awards granted: Before April 30 (awarded before end of spring semester)

If you are unable to meet the above deadlines, the same RFP process occurs in the Fall 2012 semester. For more information, proposal forms and scoring rubric, please contact Meredith Galena at mgalena@qcc.mass.edu or ext.7498.

PTK News

Reminder: PTK will be selling Poinsettias through December 22 for $10 each. This is the only event PTK conducts to raise funds for working capital for their chapter. Please place orders with any PTK member. Orders will be accepted through December 22.

Wyvern Alert

A plush Wyvern caught escaping from storage is on the loose!

It has been reported that he was seen in the HLC Cafe grabbing a snack (apparently he’s fond of hot dogs) and also trying to self-register for the Spring Semester on one of the library pc’s!
Campus News

Wyvern Basketball Season Updates
QCC Wyverns Men’s and Women’s Basketball Stats:

**Women’s Basketball** (as of Dec. 1)
- Overall Record: 6-3
- Region 21 Record: 3-1
- Division Record: 2-0

**Men’s Basketball** (as of Dec. 21)
- Overall Record: 8-4
- Region 21 Record: 4-1
- Division Record: 5-0

Come out and support the teams! Both men’s and women’s schedules are available on The Q, under Campus Life > Athletics. **GO WYVERNS!**

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Annual Holiday Bake Off a Sweet Success!
The Alumni Association’s Annual Holiday Bake-Off was held on Monday, December 12. Winners are:

**Pies**
- 1st place: **Barbara Zabka**
- 2nd place: **Cherie Ronayne**
- 3rd place: **Shirley Dempsey-Anderson**

**Breads**
- 1st place: **Diane Maple**
- 2nd place: **Steve Sullivan**
- 3rd place: **Wayne Brink**

**Cakes**
- 1st place: **Kelly LaVergne**
- 2nd place: **Louis Messier**
- 3rd place: **Victor Somma**

**Bars/Cookies/Candies**
- 1st place: **Mary DeBlois**
- 2nd place: **Sheryl Tardie**
- 3rd place: **Elda Zeko**

**Raffle Prize winners** are: Theresa Chad, Lori Corcoran, Kathy Goozey, Donna Harvey, Elsie Newmane, Laura Rosen, Josie Santos, John Solaperto, Sharon Wilbur, and Elda Zeko.

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Photos: Institutional Communications

The voting (and tasting) gets serious...

Second place winner - “Reindeer Droppings” by Sheryl Tardie

Another delicious entry...
Faculty, Staff, & Student Notes

New Faculty and Staff

We are very pleased to announce the following new staff appointments taking effect in December:

On December 1, Community Engagement welcomed Joanne Harrington into her new role as Clerk III, Training & Education Center (SABES & ABE). Ms. Harrington has worked on a part-time basis for Quinsigamond Community College for almost 20 years, providing administrative support to SABES and to the Adult Basic Education field.

Nancy Chosta, who has been with Quinsigamond Community College for the past 18 years, most recently supporting the QCC Foundation and special events within the Division of Community Engagement, will take on new clerical support responsibilities for special projects within the President’s Office effective December 12. Her experience and expertise providing logistical support for community events and fund raising campaigns make her a valued asset to the office and will provide much needed assistance to the President’s Office staff for supporting a broad range of public activities.

Please join us in congratulating Joanne and Nancy in their new roles at QCC!

In The News (and on the radio!)

Check out Scholastic Sports Zone Radio Talk Show on WCRN, 830 AM, hosted by Steve Scott, Howie Kahn and Peter Bogren, Sunday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m. QCC sponsors the program, as well as the program’s “Athlete of the Week” and “Coach of the Week” segments.

The Sports Zone Show is dedicated to high school sports programs in Central Massachusetts, highlighting high school sports programs throughout Worcester County, featuring both an “Athlete of the Week” and “Coach of the Week” interview with exciting special guests. The show also includes helpful information regarding sports injuries, as well as training and fitness tips. The coaches, athletes, parents and teachers have discovered the excitement of having their school’s sports programs highlighted on one of the most exciting high school sports talk radio programs in Central MA. Call in and be part of the show with your opinions and comments at 508-438-0965 or visit the show’s web site at scholasticsportszone.com.

President Gail Carberry was interviewed on November 28, by Hank Stolz (WCRN) on the recently awarded Vision Project grant. Catch the interview here: http://vimeo.com/33996225

Vice President of Student Enrollment and Student Services, Steve Sullivan, was interviewed by the T&G on the new satellite location at Assabet Vallet Regional Technical High School in Marlborough. http://www.telegram.com/article/20111208/NEWS/112089577/1003/NEWS03 QCC

Happy Holidays!