



Foundation Update

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Your dollars will go farther through a special 50 percent Michigan Public Contribution Tax Credit. The law permits taxpayers to reduce their Michigan Income Tax or Business Tax liability when contributing to a Public Institution like the Glen Oaks Foundation. In addition to the Public Contribution Credit the State of Michigan offers the Community Foundation Tax Credit that allows you to receive the same 50 percent credit when your donation is given to an endowed fund. Consult your tax advisor for more information.

Foundation Scholarships Awarded

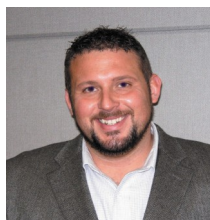
Glen Oaks Community College Foundation is awarding 55 students with scholarships for the 2010-2011 academic year, totaling approximately \$51,000. Scholarships are given in the areas of Business, Health Sciences, Human Services, Art, Technology, and Athletics.

For a complete list of all the scholarship funds and to learn more about opportunities for gifting to the foundation, visit www.glenoaks.edu/foundation. Information is available on potential state and federal tax implications to giving to a 501[C](3) charitable organization.

Flora Kirsch Beck Visiting Artist Fund

The Visiting Artist course taught by Denise Lesieki, a Kalamazoo Institute of Art instructor, was made available from the Flora Kirsch Beck Fund. The four day class ran from June 28 to July 1 exploring printmaking with the traditional watercolor technology.

Worthington Selected for Teaching Award



The 2010 E.J. Shaheen Teaching Excellence award was awarded to Chad Worthington, Psychology instructor in his 2nd year teaching at Glen Oaks. Every year students and staff nominate a full time faculty member who exemplifies a high professional standard, demonstrates excellence in teaching, and reflects the value of education to their students.

The annual award was made possible with an endowment created by the late Eli J. Shaheen, a Sturgis businessman and former Board of Trustees member who valued quality education. The award was created from a vision in hopes of recognizing a distinguished full-time faculty member on the basis of teaching excellence, high professional standards and in an effort to continually improve the quality of education at Glen Oaks Community College.

The award included an engraved oak chair and a monetary prize presented during a faculty dinner held at A Place in Time banquet hall in Three Rivers. Worthington said during his acceptance speech, "Coming to Glen Oaks Community College to teach was probably the best decision I ever made."

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ADVOCATE FOR GOCC:

Commitment to student success through every stage of the college process

Valuable financial help to students

Quality instruction and support for faculty to enhance classroom experience

Corporate and continuing education services offering job training courses and community enrichment classes

Likelihood that students completing at GOCC continue living in the area, making a better educated community.

Businesses planning to start up will look favorably at an area with a college.

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GOCC Named for World Record Meatball

It's official and now a part of the Guinness Book of World Records! Glen Oaks Community College staff, students and volunteers on March 15, 2010, cooked the worlds largest meatball weighing 254 lbs. The college received word on May 25 from the Guinness Book of World Records headquarters beating the previous record of 222 lbs held by an Italian restaurant in New Hampshire.

The 32 hour event began in the evening of Sunday, March 14 with 400 pounds

of uncooked meat placed by forklift into a double sized hog roaster. The following evening, after the official weigh-in was completed, free meatball sandwiches were served with chips and drinks to families in the college gymnasium. The meatball produced enough food for about 900 people, some on site and others served at area food banks and charities.

The college gained national attention with news media contacts from across the nation and area newspapers, radio,

television and computer blogs. Throughout the day crowds grew in anticipation of the outcome of this record breaking event. T-shirts were sold and a 50/50 raffle was held to see who guessed closest to the finished weight of the meatball. Professor Keith said the world record would not have been possible without the cooperation and spirit of the entire community and so many volunteers. "We had a fun time achieving this record. I just want to thank everyone."

**CHECK OUT THE ALUMNI INFORMATION UPDATE FORM AT
WWW.GLENOAKS.EDU/ALUMNIFRIENDS**

James "Jim" Martin Memorial Scholarship

The newest scholarship to the Foundation honors the late Jim Martin who worked as a faculty member of Glen Oaks teaching for 34 years in the Computer Science and Business departments. Jim's commitment and dedication to helping students by creating an environment that was conducive to learning was his main objective. Martin always provided practical experience in the classroom to ensure students' skills measured up to the needs of the employers. This scholarship fund was established through the many memorial contributions received in Jim's name and the cash award he received from being selected the 2008 EJ Shaheen Chair for Teaching Excellence.

Dr. Dennis McCarthy Retiring

Dr. McCarthy began his career at Glen Oaks on October 2, 1972, when he was hired as the Director of Admissions and Financial Aid. Over the years Dr. McCarthy has served in a range of roles: Director of Continuing Education, Dean of Corporate and Community Services, and Executive Director of College Development before assuming his current position as Dean of Students and Community Services in 2003. "The loss of his wealth of experience will be a difficult challenge for the college. Thankfully, he has agreed to return in a limited capacity in October," stated President Wheeler. The college will be conducting a national search for our next leader in the area of student affairs and student success.

Athletic Department Honors Announced

The 2010 Softball Team was named as one of the academic teams of the year for an overall GPA of 3.19.

Congratulations to the following athletes:

MCCAA All Conference-36 hrs w/ 3.0-3.199 GPA

Stephanie M. Petzold-Cross Country

MCCAA All State-36 hrs w/ 3.2-3.599 GPA

Alyssa R. Roach & Carly R. Roach-Cross Country

NJCAA All American by Sport-45 hrs. w/ 3.6-3.799 GPA

Kendra N. Wilson & Kylan R. Hagelgans Softball/Fast Pitch

Tuition increase of 3.9 for the start of the 2010 fall term comes as a necessary evil. Unfortunately government funding is not keeping up with the tremendous increase in enrollment occurring at community colleges. Many state and local governments continue to cut their support of community colleges although policymakers acknowledge that community colleges are crucial to economic recovery. "We are doing well financially right now, but the future is very unsettling. Our goal is to continue to provide the best facilities and quality instruction for our students as more residents of all ages, from high school graduates to displaced workers, turn to Glen Oaks for their higher education needs," said Dr. Wheeler, President.