

VANCE-GRANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Providing Access & Opportunity



2008-2009 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PROVIDING ACCESS & OPPORTUNITY

— A Message From Our President —



RANDY PARKER
PRESIDENT
2004 - PRESENT

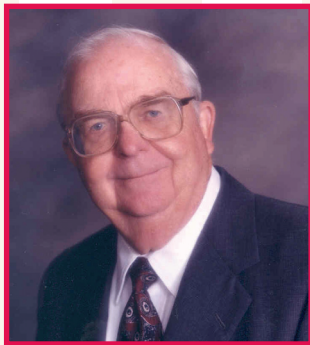
Across our nation and around the world, economic challenges have been at the forefront of our minds in the past year. Such difficult times remind us of something we should never forget: that the answer to so many economic problems, both for individuals and for communities, is education and training. That fact must not be lost on many people in our communities, because in the past year, VGCC set new historic records for enrollment in curriculum programs. Area residents have also flocked to basic skills and short-term job training courses in order to start new careers or adapt to economic change.

Today, when our community needs VGCC more than ever, it is our responsibility to create the potential for all our people to be successful, by protecting their continued access to higher education, opportunity and hope for the future. Our faculty and staff are doing that for the students and businesses of

our four-county area in outstanding fashion, as evidenced recently when VGCC met all eight state performance measures for 2007-08. In this report, you will learn about the wide variety of activities and opportunities that the college has provided for our students and for our communities in the past year. Together, they demonstrate how VGCC is excelling, growing and changing. The ability to change to meet new demands is one of the hallmarks of the community college, and that ability has been a key attribute of VGCC for the past four decades.

As we continue to celebrate the 40th anniversary of VGCC, we are filled with gratitude for the strong community support that sustains the college, pride in the tens of thousands of our students whose lives have been changed by higher education, and confidence that we will continue to create success for the next 40 years and beyond.

— A Message From Our Chairman —



DONALD C. SEIFERT, SR.
VGCC BOARD CHAIRMAN
2003 - PRESENT

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I want to express appreciation to President Parker and all our faculty, staff and students for their accomplishments during the past year. The role of VGCC in personal and economic development has been recognized and renewed in the midst of an economy that has presented new challenges. Through it all, the college has not only maintained existing high-quality programs but also moved forward in new

and exciting ways. Our central goal remains to hold open the door to education for all. Today's growing numbers of students join their predecessors, who walked through those open doors and walked out with the education and training they needed to be successful. Even as we reflect on how important the college has been to the community over the past 40 years, my fellow trustees and I look forward to an even brighter future for VGCC and the area it serves.

2008-2009 BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Seated, clockwise from left: Sara C. Wester, secretary Henrietta H. Clark, VGCC president Randy Parker, chair Donald C. Seifert, Sr., student trustee Ed Lyons and Grace W. Vickery; standing, from left: L. Opie Frazier, Jr., Ronald E. Gregory, John M. Foster, vice chair J. David Brooks, Ernest Thompson and Stanley H. Fox. Not pictured: D. Bernard Alston, Abdul Sm Rasheed, trustee emeritus John K. Nelms, Franklin County liaison Ralph S. Knott and Warren County liaison Clinton G. Alston.

2008-2009 PRESIDENT'S CABINET



Seated, from left: Dr. Angela Ballentine, vice president of instruction; Katherine Williamson, director of human resources; April Perkinson, executive assistant to the president, Vanessa Jones, vice president of community & economic development; Jo Anna Jones, vice president of institutional advancement & endowment fund director. Standing, from left: Matt Williams, vice president of finance & operations; Gene Purvis, vice president of student affairs; Randy Parker, president; Dr. Ken Lewis, vice president of information technology.

Arts COME ALIVE at VGCC!

Musical and dramatic arts were in the spotlight in 2008-2009. Michael Stephenson joined VGCC in 2008 as the new music instructor. That fall, he organized the Vance-Granville Community Band, a combination of VGCC students and interested citizens. All four counties of the VGCC service area are represented in the band, which has grown to more than 50 members. The group has entertained hundreds of area residents with well-received concerts in the VGCC Civic Center and at the Gazebo on the college's main campus. The band also performed at the May 2009 commencement exercises.

In addition to leading the band, Stephenson teaches a variety of music courses at VGCC. Stephenson has also reached out to the community with special performances. In April 2009, Stephenson and Mark Hopper, the Minister of Music and Organist at First Baptist Church of Hender-



The VGCC community band entertained hundreds of area residents with numerous concerts during the 2008-2009 year.

son, presented concerts at Warrenton Baptist Church and Creedmoor United Methodist Church. As an orchestral saxophonist, Stephenson has appeared with the North Carolina, Winston-Salem, Greensboro, and Western Piedmont Symphonies, and he is the soprano saxophonist for the New Century Saxophone Quartet.

Meanwhile, VGCC drama students presented two plays during the year. In December 2008, they staged Mary Chase's classic comedy, *Harvey*, which tells the story of Elwood P. Dowd and his imaginary friend, a six-and-half-foot tall rabbit named Harvey. Students followed that success in March 2009 with another comedy, Larry Shue's *The Nerd*. First performed in 1981, *The Nerd* centers on an aspiring young architect and his annoying houseguest. Both productions were directed by VGCC Theatre Arts/Speech instructor Betsy Henderson.



Instructor Michael Stephenson (left) performs with the Community Band.



Under the direction of Betsy Henderson, VGCC drama students rehearse the play, "Harvey."



Following the success of "Harvey," drama students performed the comedy, "The Nerd."

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2008-2009

MASTER PLAN

Even as current economic needs were priorities in 2008-2009, VGCC continued to think about how the college can adapt to meet changing needs in the future. The Facilities Master Plan, a ten-year proposed plan to meet the building and growth needs of the college, went into phase one project planning. The Master Plan was created so the college would have the initial plans for expansion in place should building funds become available in the future.

In the fall of 2008, the Pearce Brinkley Cease + Lee (PBC&L) architectural firm in Raleigh was selected for the planning for the proposed Allied Health and Science Building on Main Campus. Other expansion priorities for the future will be the renovation of Buildings 5 and 6 on Main Campus; construction of a Corporate Education Center at a location to be determined; and renovations of Building 1 and construction of a new classroom/ library building, both at the Franklin County Campus.

SUMMER 2008 GRADUATION



Linda H. Weiner, then Special Assistant to the President for Engagement and Economic Development at the North Carolina Community College System, saluted the summer graduating class at VGCC as the principal speaker for the Aug. 7, 2008 commencement exercises. The summer graduating class consisted of 210 students. The ceremony was the last of its kind scheduled by VGCC, which returned to the practice of one commencement per year in May 2009.

ARTIST PAINTS MURALS AT VGCC CAMPUSES



Artist Wanda Satterwhite (above, left) poses with the mural she painted in the Snack Bar on the college's main campus in the summer and early fall of 2008.

Each of the mural's four corners represents one of the four counties served by the college, along with the VGCC campus in that county: clockwise, from bottom left, Franklin County, Granville County (South Campus), Vance County (Main Campus) and Warren County. The familiar gazebo by the lake on Main Campus served as the centerpiece of the mural. One of these murals is located on Main Campus, South Campus and Warren Campus, while two are painted at different locations at Franklin Campus.

In addition, Satterwhite painted one mural on each campus that depicts the college's "Vanguards" mascot logo (below). Satterwhite has taken art classes at VGCC under Lelia Brigham and Leslie Johnson, and she has also taught an art class at the Warren County Campus.



CULINARY TECHNOLOGY

VGCC Culinary Technology students demonstrated their skills by preparing hors d'oeuvres for the 2008 North Carolina Community College System Conference, which was held Oct. 12-14 at the Raleigh Convention Center. More than 2,500 instructors



and staff members from all of the state's 58 community colleges — including 94 from VGCC — attended the biennial conference, which is the largest event sponsored by the system. Above, VGCC Culinary Technology student Denise McLeod (left) serves Dr. Scott Ralls, president of the N.C. Community College System, at the conference reception.



In the spring of 2009, VGCC Culinary students began preparing and serving lunches to the public at the new "Vanguard Café," at the program's home, the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford. "This is an opportunity for the culinary students to show off the kitchen and hospitality skills they have been learning in a real public service setting. That's the best way to prepare them for their careers," said Chef Ross Ragonese, head of the VGCC Culinary program.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2008-2009

LONGTIME DEAN RETIRES



A retirement reception was held on Nov. 21, 2008 in honor of Leo Kelly, Jr. of Henderson to recognize his 37 years of service to VGCC. The Dean of Adult Basic Education and head of the English as a Second Language program was the longest-serving full-time employee in the history of the college. Kelly started teaching typing at night for Vance County Technical Institute in 1970 and began his full-time career as assistant director of adult education in 1971. President Randy Parker announced that through the VGCC Endowment Fund, friends of the college were honoring Kelly by establishing a new scholarship fund in his name.

VGCC GOES TOBACCO FREE

The VGCC Board of Trustees voted March 16, 2009 to approve a measure which would make all four VGCC campuses 100-percent "Tobacco-Free," effective August



18. The move came after a year of student, faculty and staff surveys and focus groups, all of which showed support for the change. The new policy states that VGCC is committed to providing its students and employees a safe and healthy campus environment. The policy also states that the college recognizes the use of tobacco products can be detrimental to the health of students, employees, and visitors, and recognizes that it has an obligation to promote a healthy learning and work environment free from unwanted smoke and byproducts of tobacco use.

ADULT BASIC SKILLS GRADUATION



Lou Ann M. Parker, Director of Adult High School and GED Programs for the North Carolina Community College System, spoke to 80 VGCC Adult High School and 51 GED graduates at the May 21, 2009 commencement ceremony. It was the first VGCC commencement dedicated exclusively to new graduates of Adult Basic Skills programs. For the past four years, VGCC has ranked third in the state in AHS and GED graduates.

42 CURRICULUM PROGRAMS OFFERED IN 2008-2009

Accounting	Computed Tomography/Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technology	Human Services Technology/ Substance Abuse
Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration Technology	Cosmetology	Industrial Systems Technology
Associate in Arts/Associate in Science	Cosmetology Instructor	Infant/Toddler Care
Associate Degree Nursing	Criminal Justice Technology	Information Systems Security
Associate in General Education	Culinary Technology	Lateral Entry
Automotive Systems Technology	Early Childhood Associate	Manicuring/Nail Technology
Basic Law Enforcement Training	Early Childhood Associate/ Teacher Associate	Medical Assisting
Bioprocess Technology	Electrical/Electronics Technology	Medical Office Administration
Business Administration	Electronics Engineering Technology	Networking Technology
Business Administration/ E-Commerce	General Occupational Technology	Office Systems Technology
Business Administration/Operations Management	Global Logistics Technology	Office Systems Technology/Legal
Carpentry	Human Services Technology	Pharmacy Technology
Computer Information Technology	Human Services Technology/ Mental Health	Practical Nursing
		Radiography
		Web Technologies
		Welding Technology

AWARD WINNING FACULTY & STAFF

At VGCC's 2008 fall convention, President Randy Parker announced several awards to outstanding VGCC employees, collectively known as the Glen Raven Excellence in Teaching and Leadership Awards.

Betty Jo Ellis, the Administrative Assistant for the college's division of Business & Applied Technologies, was named Staff Member of the Year. Ellis has worked at VGCC since May 2005 and was previously a student at the college, earning degrees in Information Systems Technology and Network Administration. Ellis has served as secretary for the college's Professional Advisory Committee and team captain for the Endowment Fund drive. She helped develop a training manual during a college computer system transition and has created organizational tools to ensure that the division runs smoothly and efficiently.

Maria S. Orsini, a Nursing instructor, was chosen as the Faculty Member of the Year and was later a finalist for the 2008 R. J. Reynolds Excellence in Teaching Award for the entire N.C. Community College System. Orsini has taught at VGCC since 2002. Orsini earned bachelor's degrees in biology and nursing at the University of Puerto Rico. She served in the United States Public Health Service and worked in the nursing profession for eight years, while earning a master's degree in nursing from the University of Phoenix. She is currently working on a doctoral degree in Educational Leadership at the University of Phoenix. Orsini, the first VGCC Nursing instructor to teach online courses, has helped train colleagues how to teach online courses and to incorporate technology in the classroom.



From left, seated: Faculty Member of the Year Maria Orsini, President's Leadership Award recipient Cathy Barham and Staff Member of the Year Betty Jo Ellis; from left, standing: Vice President of Community & Economic Development Vanessa Jones, Dean of Health Sciences Dr. Ray Goldberg, Franklin Campus Dean Bobbie Jo May, President Randy Parker, Director of Human Resources Katherine Williamson, Dean of Business & Applied Technologies Bobby Van Brunt and Vice President of Instruction Dr. Angela Ballentine.



From left, seated: President's Leadership Award recipients Tony Pendergrass and Jennifer Johnson; from left, standing: Director of Economic and Workforce Development Garland Elliott, Dean of Arts & Sciences Dr. Michael Ellis, Vice President of Community & Economic Development Vanessa Jones, President Randy Parker, Director of Human Resources Katherine Williamson, Dean of Business & Applied Technologies Bobby Van Brunt and Vice President of Instruction Dr. Angela Ballentine.

Parker also presented President's Leadership Awards to Franklin County Campus Basic Skills coordinator/instructor Cathy Barham, Early Childhood Associate program head/instructor Jennifer M. Johnson and Law Enforcement training coordinator/instructor Tony Pendergrass.

Catherine B. "Cathy" Barham earned a bachelor's degree in Community Health Education at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and a master's in Adult and Community College Education at North Carolina State University. Barham taught as a part-time Basic Skills instructor at VGCC before becoming the full-time coordinator in 2005.

Jennifer M. Johnson came to VGCC as an Early Childhood instructor in 1999 before being named head of the program in 2003. Johnson is the author of three books for educators, and co-wrote two chapters of another book, *The Exceptional Child*. Johnson earned a B.S. in elementary education from UNC-Greensboro and a master's in special education from UNC-Charlotte.

Tony R. Pendergrass has served as an instructor and coordinator of law enforcement training at VGCC since 2001. Pendergrass develops new training programs for area law enforcement agencies and the North Carolina Department of Correction, while supervising cadets in Basic Law Enforcement Training and Detention Officer Certification classes. Pendergrass draws upon his experience with the Henderson Police Department, where he worked from 1989 through 2001. Pendergrass is a graduate of VGCC (A.A.S., Criminal Justice Technology) and of the N.C. Justice Academy Law Institute.

EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOLS

The 2008-2009 year saw VGCC partner to open two innovative new high schools and to plan for two others. Early College High Schools opened in August 2008 at two of the college's four campuses. Vance County Early College High School, a partnership of VGCC and Vance County Schools, started at the college's main campus, while Warren Early College High School, a partnership of VGCC and Warren County Schools, conducted classes at the Warren County Campus.

Early College High Schools are designed so that low-income youth, first-generation college goers, and other young people underrepresented in higher education can simultaneously earn a high school diploma and an associate's degree or up to two years of credit toward a bachelor's degree — tuition free.

The VGCC Board of Trustees approved two more Early College Program Proposals in January 2009 — one in partnership with Granville County Schools and the other with Franklin County Schools. The addition of Early College programs in Granville and Franklin counties, when completed, would make VGCC the only community college in the nation with four Early College programs under its umbrella of services.



Simon Conway (standing), the world history teacher at Warren Early College High School, talks with students at the school's Aug. 7 open house on the VGCC Warren County Campus.



VGCC President Randy Parker (right) welcomes students to the Vance County Early College High School open house on Aug. 21. Seated from left, VGCC Early College liaison, Beth Brockhaus, counselor Mary Mangum and school principal Michael Bullard.

VGCC EARNS HIGH MARKS IN ANNUAL STATE REPORT

Vance-Granville Community College continues to excel by a variety of measures, according to the 2009 Critical Success Factors report from the N.C. Community College System office. The Critical Success Factors report is a compilation of assessments of all 58 community colleges on service provided during the 2007-08 academic year. This annual reporting is part of the strict accountability requirements of the North Carolina General Assembly.

Performance Measure	NCCCS Standard	VGCC Data ('07-'08)
Progress of Basic Skills Students	75% demonstrating progress	83% <i>Met Standard</i>
Passing Rates on Licensure/Certification Exams	80% aggregate institutional passing rate for first time test takers	89% <i>Met Standard</i>
Performance of College Transfer Students	83% of students who transfer to a 4-yr. institution will have a GPA of 2.0 or higher after two semesters	86% <i>Met Standard</i>
Passing Rates in Developmental Courses	75% of students who take a developmental English, math, and/or reading course will pass the course with a grade of "C" or better	79% <i>Met Standard</i>
Success Rate of Developmental Students in Subsequent College-Level Courses	80% of students who take developmental courses will pass the "gatekeeper" English and/or math course for which the developmental course serves as a prerequisite	90% <i>Met Standard</i>
Student Satisfaction of Completers and Non-completers	90% of survey respondents satisfied with college programs & services	96% <i>Met Standard</i>
Curriculum Student Retention, Transfer and Graduation	65% of Fall degree seeking students will either re-enroll, transfer or graduate by the subsequent Fall.	68% <i>Met Standard</i>
Business/Industry Satisfaction with Services Provided	90% of respondents will rate services provided as "Very Good" or "Excellent"	98% <i>Met Standard</i>

VGCC FACTS & FIGURES

CLASS OFFERINGS & ENROLLMENT

	Vance	Granville	Franklin	Warren	Total
No. of Curriculum Locations	4	11	4	3	22
No. of Comm. & Eco. Dev. Locations	37	44	27	16	124
No. of Curriculum Classes	1069	484	281	99	1933
No. of Comm. & Eco. Dev. Classes	1252	565	283	196	2296
Curriculum Headcount	4435	1638	982	296	7351
Comm. & Eco. Dev. Headcount	6182	2877	2290	1079	12,428

880 FACULTY & STAFF

Instructors Full-Time	188
Instructors Part-Time	413
Other Staff Full-Time	143
Other Staff Part-Time	136

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENROLLMENT

• Adult Basic Skills	2964
• Occupational & Industry Training, Small Business Center & Personal Enrichment	9061
Total	12,025

STUDENT BODY

	Curriculum	Community & Eco. Dev.
Unduplicated Headcount	6295	10,976
Average Age	29	38
Female Students	62%	42%
Male Students	38%	58%
African-American	46%	47%
Caucasian	47%	46%
Other or Race Unknown	7%	7%

1,099 GRADUATES

• Degrees & Diplomas	437
• Adult High School & GED Diplomas	662

VGCC FACTS & FIGURES

HOME COUNTIES OF CURRICULUM STUDENTS

Granville	1624	Durham	203	Nash	10
Vance	1579	Person	39	Other Counties	72
Franklin	1129	Halifax	26	Out-of-State	19
Warren	665	Orange	15		
Wake	350				

FINANCIAL AID AWARDS

	No. of Recipients	Dollars Awarded
Pell Grants	2,222	\$ 5,872,905
VGCC Scholarships	446	\$ 220,825
Institutional Grants	337	\$ 76,638
N.C. Community College Grants	599	\$ 346,796
N.C. Education Lottery Scholarships	285	\$ 273,817
Work-Study Grants	41	\$ 118,276
Other Financial Aid		\$3,334,015
Total (Unduplicated)	4,945	\$10,243,272

EXPENDITURES

	Amount	Percentage
Instruction	\$ 14,672,739.96	42.31%
Public Service	\$ 23,034.31	0.07%
Academic Support	\$ 1,895,686.10	5.47%
Student Services	\$ 1,985,986.29	5.73%
Institutional Support	\$ 4,890,511.54	14.10%
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 2,152,452.22	6.21%
Student Financial Aid	\$ 6,182,576.12	17.83%
Auxiliary Services	\$ 1,910,900.95	5.51%
Equipment	\$ 890,556.00	2.57%
Construction	\$ 73,247.00	.21%
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 34,677,690.49	

SMALL BUSINESS CENTER ACTIVITIES

- 82 Classes
- 1351 Participants
- 63 New Clients
- 19 Follow-Up Clients

CUSTOMIZED INDUSTRIAL TRAINING

- 11 Companies/Industries Served
- 313 Trainees

\$18,376,542.08

TOTAL VGCC EMPLOYEE PAYROLL

The College

CRISIS PREPARATION

On Sept. 9, 2008, VGCC's Main Campus was the setting for a crisis management exercise in cooperation with hospitals, emergency management and law enforcement officials in Vance and Granville counties. Students, faculty and staff participated in this exercise. Law enforcement officers and rescue personnel played out the training scenario and treated mock "victims," while learning how to work together as a community to respond to various types of emergencies. After the exercise, a debriefing was held in the Civic Center to discuss what happened. Bryan E. Beatty (pictured above at podium), Secretary of the N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, spoke at the debriefing.



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REGIONAL LEADERSHIP



U.S. Senator Richard Burr visited VGCC's Franklin County Campus on Oct. 7, 2008. After discussing economic and educational issues with college officials, the North Carolina senator toured the campus, including the Biotechnology lab (as seen in above photo).

CULTURAL ENRICHMENT



World-renowned saxophonist Branford Marsalis visited VGCC on Feb. 10, 2009 to talk with students in an American Music course, at the invitation of his friend, Michael Stephenson, a fellow saxophonist and VGCC music instructor. Marsalis, a three-time Grammy Award-winning performer, composer and producer, shared ideas about music and life with the students in an informal, 80-minute session.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Business leaders and government officials gathered at the VGCC Civic Center on March 30, 2009 for a launch event for Triangle North, the network of four business parks created by Franklin, Granville, Vance and Warren counties. President Randy Parker discussed the college's role in workforce training. North Carolina Lieutenant Governor Walter Dalton (pictured), who is also a member of the State Board of Community Colleges, was the keynote speaker. "By harnessing the capabilities of our universities and community colleges, our well-trained workers and our private partners, North Carolina will be prepared to lead in the new economy," Dalton said.



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In Action

GLOBAL UNDERSTANDING

Retired Ambassador Michael Cotter (shown on left in photo) spoke to students, faculty and staff on issues related to the Republic of Turkey on Oct. 15, 2008. Above, Cotter talks with VGCC College



Transfer student and Turkish native Mehmet Ozpehlivan. Cotter's presentation, entitled "Turkey: Facing Great Change in an Uncertain World," was the third installment of an International Speakers Series sponsored by the college's Global Awareness Committee in partnership with the University of North Carolina's World View program. Cotter was a career Foreign Service officer who served in seven countries, including Turkey, South Vietnam and Bolivia.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

In the fourth installment of the International Speakers Series, VGCC attempted to educate students, faculty, staff, and community about the current economic crisis through a presentation on campus by noted economic historian Dr. Peter Coclanis (pictured). His April 15, 2009 seminar was entitled, "The Global Economic Crisis: How We Got There, How We



Get Out, and What It Means for You." Coclanis, the Albert R. Newsome Professor of History and Associate Provost for International Affairs at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, said he wanted to give historical context to the contemporary economic problems that are apparent locally as well as internationally.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



VGCC responded to changing needs in the region's economy with a unique new partnership that harnesses the resources of two community colleges and a major university. Above, President Randy Parker (at podium) announces the North Carolina Consortium for Logistics Education (NCCLE) at Wake Tech's Northern Wake Campus in June 2009. The consortium, which includes VGCC, Wake Tech and the Frank Hawkins Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise at UNC-Chapel Hill, will offer a two-year associate degree in Global Logistics Technology, as well as certificates and short-term training customized to meet the needs of area businesses.

MOTIVATING STUDENTS

N.C. Representative Michael H. Wray offered congratulations and encouragement to graduates at VGCC's 40th commencement exercises on May 15, 2009. Over 400 graduates received diplomas and degrees at the outdoor ceremony, which also officially kicked off the celebration of the college's 40th anniversary. "I truly believe that North Carolina's economy will recover thanks to the resilience of hard working North Carolinians just like you," Wray told graduating students.



OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

DAWN TOM



VGCC College Transfer graduate Dawn M. Tom of Oxford was selected as a 2009 Coca-Cola National Finalist, an academic honor sponsored by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation and based on scores he earned in USA TODAY's All-USA Community College Academic Team competition. The program is administered by Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for students of two-year colleges. As one of 150 Coca-Cola finalists from across the nation, Tom received a \$1,000 scholarship. Above, VGCC Dean of Arts and Sciences Dr. Mike Ellis, Tom, and Phi Theta Kappa advisors Evelyn Hall and Phillip Mondou.

AMBASSADORS



VGCC selected a diverse group of eleven outstanding students to serve as ambassadors during the 2008-2009 school year. Ambassadors represent the college at special campus and community functions, among other duties. Ambassadors included, seated, from left: Morgan Cail, Karon Harris, Keneica Moore, Raven Latta and Tiffiny Bentley; standing, from left: Rob Barton, Joel Sebastian, Elizabeth Hundley, Dawn Tom, Ryan Casady and Zeb McGill.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS



Each year, the North Carolina Community College System honors students from each of the state's 58 colleges with Academic Excellence Awards. Award recipients from VGCC in 2009 were (from left) Laurie A. Hernandez and Sherry K. Stokes, both of Henderson. Both graduated in May 2009, Stokes with degrees in Accounting and Business Administration, and Hernandez with a Teacher Associate degree. Both are members of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society. Hernandez also served as president of the college's Student North Carolina Association of Educators (SNCAE) chapter.

PHI BETA LAMBDA



Advised by VGCC Business Administration instructor La-Tonya Steele, students re-established a chapter of the Phi Beta Lambda business student organization, called "Chi Beta Chi," in 2008. Phi Beta Lambda is the national organization for college students who are preparing for a variety of careers in business. The chapter quickly grew and excelled in various competitions at their first PBL State Leadership Conference in 2009. Above, from left, President Randy Parker visits with chapter president Sajade Hobgood and members Shelonda White, Karin Driver and Megan Thurston, during their celebration of Phi Beta Lambda Week in Feb. 2009.

Athletics at VGCC

Intercollegiate athletics became a part of VGCC student life in the 2008-2009 year. After joining the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) in 2008, VGCC's men's basketball team was the first to take the court. The Vanguardians competed in Region X of the NJCAA's Division II. Coached by Avery Wilson, the basketball team compiled a winning record in its first season and advanced to the conference tournament semifinals. The team played home games at Aycokk Recreation Complex in Henderson. VGCC's Bryan Burrell led the conference in assists and was third in Division II nationwide in assists. Raymond Dunn ranked 11th in scoring and 14th in rebounding among all players in Division II. VGCC ended the season 13th in the nation in team offensive average, putting up an average of 85 points per game. Meanwhile, the Vanguardians were third in the nation in team field goal percentage.

Next, the VGCC golf team played its first matches in the spring of 2009. Coached by Frank Hester, the Vanguardians held their own against established college teams and hosted several at their home course, Henderson Country Club. VGCC golfer Tommy Overcash achieved the best individual score in Division II at the NJCAA Region X tournament.

VGCC held its first Athletics Banquet on April 30, 2009 to honor players and coaches who were involved in the first year of the college's growing athletics program. Meanwhile, plans were made for the college's third intercollegiate sport: women's volleyball. Ellis Crews of Oxford was named the head coach for the new women's volleyball program.

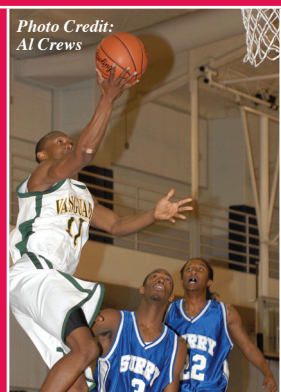


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ENDOWMENT FUND

446 Students Receive Scholarships

Golf Tournament Raises \$20,000

Thanks to various resources and contributions to Vance-Granville Community College's Endowment and Scholarship Fund, financial support is available to many deserving students.

As of June 30, 2009, the Endowment Fund had 317 endowed scholarships for full-time students, as listed in three categories on the following pages.

One source of community support for scholarships has been the annual Endowment Fund Benefit Golf Tournament. On May 12, 2009, VGCC's 25th annual tournament generated approximately \$20,000. That brought the total raised by the 25 tournaments since 1985 to more than \$400,000. This year, a total of 133 players formed 32 teams to play



Shown, from left, Bill Barnette, Bob Hubbard, Sr. and Mike Rainey were the winning team in the afternoon round. Rainey also had the distinction of being on the winning team at the first annual VGCC golf tournament.

in either the morning or the afternoon round at Hender-son Country Club.

Awarding more en-dowed scholarships than any program of its kind

in North Carolina, VGCC's Endowment and Scholarship Fund now ex-ceeds \$6 million in assets, including funds in trusts naming the college as beneficiary. Over 5,000 scholar-ships have been awarded to VGCC students through the fund since its reactivation in 1982.

Vance-Granville Community College awards endowed scholar-ships to full-time students in three levels: Presidential Scholar, Presi-dential Merit and Academic Achieve-ment. Part-time students also receive scholarships to assist with tuition. Non-endowed corporate and private scholarships are also awarded annu-ally through separate gifts. All 2008-2009 scholarships are listed on the following pages.

GIFTS MADE IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS FOR JULY 1, 2008 - JUNE 30, 2009:

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VGCC faculty and staff contributed \$26,979 to the Endowment Fund in 2008. Above, from left, President Randy Parker, Carl Hann and Jason Snelling, co-chairs of the annual VGCC Endowment Fund Faculty and Staff Drive; and Donald C. Seifert, chairman of the VGCC Board of Trustees. Not pictured is Linda Fletcher, who also co-chaired the drive.



John K. Nelms of Oxford endowed the Mary Ruth Nelms Presidential Scholar Award in memory of his wife, who passed away in 2009. From left, VGCC Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Endowment director Jo Anna Jones, Nelms and Endowment specialist Kay Currin.



Volunteers from the Guild at Maria Parham Medical Center created a second Guild Gift Gallery at MPMC Presidential Scholar Award through the Endowment Fund in 2009. From left, VGCC Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Endowment Fund director Jo Anna Jones and President Randy Parker accept the gift from Guild Gift Gallery, Inc. volunteers Roxanne Fleming and Sallye Lloyd, both of Henderson. Supported by profits from sales at the gift shop, the scholarship will assist deserving students in health care-related college programs, such as Nursing, Radiography, Medical Assisting and Pharmacy Technology.



On Jan. 14, 2009, Progress Energy Community Relations Manager Tanya Evans (above, second from left) presented a gift of \$7,500 to VGCC Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Endowment Fund director Jo Anna Jones (left), President Randy Parker and Vice President of Finance and Operations Matt Williams (right). Of that amount, \$5,000 will provide five \$1,000 annual scholarships for VGCC students. Meanwhile, \$2,000 will be added to the company's contribution to the VGCC Endowment Fund, and \$500 will support the local MATHCOUNTS competition for middle school students, which is hosted by the college.

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