# **CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO**

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# GLOBAL CONVERSATION SPEAKER SERIES JUDGE DAMON KEITH

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Judge Damon Keith was a part of the Global Conversations Speaker Series this week at the Downtown Campus. Judge Keith offered his viewpoint of American and legal history, providing the audience with an overview of his 45 years on the bench.











# **INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS**

Did you know that on the Graduate Exit Survey students are asked to indicate how their WCCCD Education has helped them? Over 84% of the 2012-13 graduates reported that WCCCD has helped them in furthering their education. Additionally, 81% indicated that they were satisfacted with their experience at WCCCD.

# **ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**

The Bursar's Office has begun distribution of third party invoices for the Spring 2014 semester. The partnerships between WCCCD and third party vendors play a vital role in providing students with access to higher education. Vendor participation has remained consistent over the last several semesters and is beginning to show an increase. In comparison to the Fall 2012 term, there was a 30% increase during Fall 2013 from organizations that provided third party educational support to WCCCD students.

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MOBILE SECURITY BEST PRACTICES

**User Authentication:** Restricting access to the device by requiring user authentication. Most mobile devices can be locked with a screen lock, password or personal identification number (PIN), but these measures are typically turned off by default.

Update Your Mobile OS with Security Patches: Keep the mobile operating system and its apps up-to-date.

**Regularly Back Up Your Mobile Device:** Ensure the mobile device's data is regularly backed up. By backing up a device to another hard drive or to the cloud, the data can be restored in the event the device gets damaged or is lost or stolen.

**Utilize Encryption:** Utilize encryption for data stored on the phone as well as for data in transit with secure technologies such as VPN.

**Enable Remote Data Wipe as an Option:** Ensure a remote data wipe option is available on the device and that users know how to utilize it in case the device is stolen or lost.

#### More to come next week......



Meeting with Trustee Sharon Scott and Westland Mayor Bill Wild regarding Western Campus programs

**ACADEMIC PROGRAM PLANNING** 

The Regional Program Planning Office has several programs and courses in various stages of development. Currently, we have:

- Three pilot programs running in Spring 2014 that are being reviewed
- Five potential new programs for the Fall 2014 term that are being reviewed
- Three current programs that have been modified and are in the approval process
- Five individual courses (all proposed by current faculty members) being prepared for review
- 37 programs being researched for possible inclusion in WCCCD's offerings in the future
- 14 current programs being evaluated for modification in the future

The District Police Authority recently refurbished and added to the patrol fleet, a fully marked van. The patrol vehicles are a very pro-active part of keeping campuses safer. Having a visible presence on the campuses make students, faculty and staff feel more secure, acts as a deterrent, and may lead to a better educational atmosphere.





# **DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY**

### THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT





# WHAT'S NEW!

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development is pleased to announce the launch of the Grant and Resource Development Taskforce. The purpose of this taskforce is to identify grant opportunities with funding organizations including federal, foundations, professional, business, and other philanthropic organizations. Task members will coordinate and collect necessary data to make appropriate recommendations that meet the needs of the grant opportunity. Thus far, the taskforce has identified more than 20 grants for consideration since early February. Currently, six grants are under development.

### **ON THE MOVE...**

This week, Shawna Forbes chaired the Detroit Workforce Development Board of Education and Youth Advisory Council Meeting. The discussion focused on new youth development initiatives, youth violence prevention initiative, designing opportunities for youth programs and youth engagement activities. The Division is preparing to present seminars that will address these needs and create an awareness to increase neighborhood safety.

Engaging the Community

#### During the week of February 17—22, 2014, the District served 1,000 participants by partnering with 10 community organizations.

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### **INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS**

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will be automating the Western Union I-90I payment process in April 2014. The SEVIS fee payment, which is \$200, is required of all international students traveling to the U.S. for educational purposes can now be processed online come April 2014.





# **DIVISION OF EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS**

### **DISTANCE LEARNING**

Representatives from Blackboard, Inc. visited with administrators from the divisions of Educational Affairs and Information Technology. During the meeting, we shared accomplishments and opportunities for improvement in use of the technology in teaching. **ON THE MOVE...** 

Dr. Stephanie Bulger, April McCray, and Will Sampson visited Renaissance High School to discuss our dual enrollment partnership with the high school leadership. Two courses are offered this term. Opportunities to expand our partnership were discussed.

### EMT PARAMEDIC PROGRAM ACCREDITATION VISIT MARCH 31–APRIL I, 2014

### **ON THE MOVE...**

Howard Smith, Light Rail Engineering faculty member met with Paul Childs, Chief Operating Officer of M-1 Rail Project to discuss how WCCCD is preparing workers for the rail and light rail industry in Detroit.

### New Certificate Programs Eligible for Financial Aid

- CIS Network Administrator– 30 Credit Hours.
- CIS Web Site Designer– 30 Credit Hours.
- CIS Computer Support Specialist– 29 Credit Hours
- Foodservice Systems Management– 34 Credit Hours
- Fire Protection Technology 30 Credit Hours
- Emergency Room Multi-Skill Healthcare Technology 30 Credit Hours

# DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARS

Dr. Conrad Maitland March 7, 2014 4:00-5:30pm

Charles E. Morton Board of Trustees Conference Room

Topic: Prostate Cancer



Dr. Stephanie Bulger



Dr. Tosan Fregene



Dr. Conrad Maitland



Dr. Tosen Fregene's presentation on breast cancer

# **LEGISLATIVE CORNER**



**Personal Property Tax Perform:** More details continue to emerge about the package of bills that will be introduced in both the House and Senate next week to amend the personal property tax reforms passed in 2012. The new plan would call for 100% reimbursement for all local taxing jurisdictions– including community colleges– with no minimum threshold for reimbursement.

**Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) Update:** All 28 Michigan community colleges have now formally signed the new MTA. As of today, eight of the 15 public universities have signed, but we have been informed that all 15 intend to do so. Many independent colleges and universities are also in the process of signing on to the MTA.

**National News**: Making a different argument on the value proposition of community colleges, a new report released by the American Association of Community Colleges shows that in 2012 alone, the net total impact of community colleges on the U.S. economy was \$809 billion in added income.

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TRANSFORMATION PLAN**

The District is currently in Phase 1L of the Information Technology Transformation Plan. In this phase, the WCCCD Data Center will be modernized.

#### Data Center Modernization Phase 1L Status Update

- The new data center's Dell server enclosure and air conditioning units are up and running. The new blade servers are being installed and application migration from the old data center has begun.
- The rooftop engineering inspection for the new generator was completed this week. Our generator is in production at the factory, when it is installed, it will allow the new data center to stay in production even if the entire building loses power.





# **TELECOMMUNICATIONS UPGRADE ACROSS THE DISTRICT**

The District is in the process of a complete network and telecommunications upgrade. The upgrade includes a new digital telephone system, expanded support for distance learning and video instruction, and high speed Wi-Fi access across all campus locations. The upgrades are underway and scheduled for completion in August, 2014.

WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



BRING THE WORLD HOME

### **STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM**

#### IN THE NEWS!

WCCCD was featured in the Winter 2014 edition of the Community Colleges for International Development Inc. newsletter. The article highlighted students on the Fall 2013 study abroad trip to Belize and Guatemala.



### INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

### **TRANSFER TIMES SCHOLARSHIP WINNER**

The <u>Transfer Times</u> scholarship winner for Spring 2014 is Constance Moore, WCCCD student who currently attends the Northwest Campus. Ms. Moore received a \$1,000.00 transfer scholarship to the university of her choice through <u>Transfer</u> <u>Times</u>. <u>Transfer Times</u> is published in February and October of each year. Each edition features colleges and universities in the state and some schools in neighboring states.

### **DETROIT POLICY CONFERENCE**

Dr. George Swan, Dr. Sherry Zylka, Muna Khoury, and Will Sampson attended the third annual Detroit Policy Conference presented by the Detroit Regional Chamber.

WCCCD attendees convened in dialogue that focused on the intersection of business and policy in the city of Detroit. The conference put great emphasis on the city's ongoing transformation by bringing together key business, community and political leaders to inspire urban revitalization.





### **ENERGY AUDITING AND CLEAN ELECTRON TRAINING**

A representative from Maricraft Applied Technology systems met with Western Campus Instruction staff and faculty from the Sustainability and Renewal Energy disciplines to conduct an orientation for the new Energy Auditing and Clean Electron trainers. The orientation provided an opportunity for the faculty to familiarize themselves with the operations of the new trainers. This orientation will assist faculty in delivering seamless instruction when incorporating these trainers into their learning outcomes for students.





### **ON THE MOVE...**

- Mike Dotson met with representatives from the Westland Rotary and Wayne/Westland schools. The Rotary will be
  granting scholarship funds for students to continue their education at WCCCD after completing high school or attaining
  their GED. Plans will also include WCCCD staff presenting financial aid awareness and program advising for upcoming
  graduates.
- Cecile Taylor, Joann Broomfield and Charlie Snyder met with representatives for the U.S. Coast Guard to discuss
  additional course offerings at the Western Campus. Courses will include boating and personal watercraft operation as
  well as general safety on the water.

# **Downtown Campus**

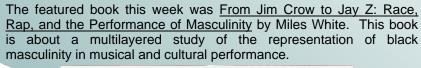


The Downtown Campus hosted a "coffee hour" for faculty giving them an opportunity to meet the campus president, speak to representatives from the Office of Instruction, and receive updates regarding campus policies.



### **TAXPAYER'S ASSISTANCE WORKSHOP**

Wayne County Treasurer's Office offered support for community members facing foreclosure. The Taxpayer's Assistance Workshop allowed individuals to meet with county representatives to discuss prevention of home loss.



Downtown





**BOOK CLUB** 







### **FINANCIAL AID MARATHON**

The Eastern Campus Corporate College served as host for its first Financial Aid Marathon. Students appreciated the opportunity to speak directly with financial aid staff and advisors about their financial aid file/status. Updates on the disbursement process, loan processing, account balances and federal aid for 2014-2015 school year were also provided.



# WEBSITE HITS

For the week of February 17-23, there were 47,910 visited to our website from 61 countries. We received 3,616 hits for the academic schedules and 774 hits for the college catalog. We had 144 visits to the Weekend Memo page.





## **TUSKEGEE AIRMEN**

In recognition of Black History Month, the Northwest Campus annually highlights the achievements of the Tuskegee Airmen who were the first African-American military aviators who fought in WWII. This seminar provides historical information about the Tuskegee Airmen and their struggles and triumphs.





# **DUAL ENROLLMENT**

The Education Achievement Authority dual enrollment students at the Northwest Campus participated in a Financial Literacy workshop. Students learned about college costs, financial aid opportunities, grants, career programs, and student loan processes.



## **BLOOD DRIVE**

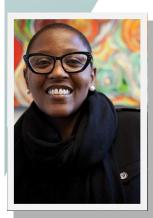
The Northwest Campus, in partnership with the Red Cross, hosted a blood drive to collect blood from donors in the community.

# **STUDENT SUCCESS!**

The Northwest Campus received the following update from Matthew Moton, an alumnus of the Food Service Management Program:

"Upon graduating May of 2013 with an Associate of Applied Science of Foodservice Management, I realized what potential I had working in the field. Although we were given the opportunity to complete part of the Manage First Professional Program, we did not finish all required courses. Therefore, I conducted an independent study, took and passed all required exams, and I now have earned the Manage First Professional Credential (MFP). I am currently working as foodservice assistant at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital. I am initiating credits toward a Bachelor degree in Business Management. In addition I am currently studying to sit for the Certified Dietary Manager (CDM) exam this summer. All of this is possible because I completed my degree at WCCCD!"

# **CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH**



In honor of Black History Month, WXYZ, Channel 7 broadcasted a series of documentaries highlighting several African American leaders in business, science and technology, the arts, and finance who are making their mark on Michigan and lifting others as they climb! Jocelyn Rainey, Associate Dean, was recently featured on this program. Jocelyn Rainey, Artist and Educator is a widely-exhibited artist, gallery owner, and educator dedicated to using the arts to better the community and expose Detroit's children to the wider world.

#### Nursing Program- Black History Month Fact

Mary Eliza Mahoney received her nursing diploma in 1905 as the first professionally trained African American nurse in the U.S. In 1924 the Mary Mahoney Professional Nurses (MMPN) foundation

was founded. The Detroit Chapter of the MMPN is actively involved with our nursing program.



# Division of Student Services



#### NATIONAL TRIO DAY



National TRIO Day is a day of celebration, reflection and action around increased access to higher education for disadvantaged students. Federal TRIO programs help low-income and first-generation students enter college and earn a college degree.

Every year on the last Saturday of February, students, educators, members of Congress, local officials, TRIO program staff, participants, alumni and many others celebrate the importance of educational opportunity programs in creating a fairer society for all Americans and the positive impact of federal TRIO programs in our communities throughout the nation.

In observance of National TRIO Day, WCCCD is encouraging all TRIO-SSS participants to wear and display their TRIO-SSS related paraphernalia this week to increase awareness about the program.

#### PERKINS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Carl D. Perkins scholarship applications are available for special population students pursuing a career and technical certificate or degree program. Applications for the Spring 2014 semester can be obtained through the Division of Student Services located on the campuses. Students can apply for supplemental financial assistance for tuition, transportation costs and college textbooks. Special population students who could be considered eligible are economically disadvantaged, single parents, displaced homemakers, non-traditional, individuals with disabilities and limited English proficiency students.

#### **ONLINE ADVISING**

Staff from the Division of Student Services participated in the 17th Annual Second Ebenezer College Fair. More than 1,000 people were in attendance to gather information on

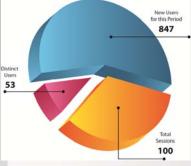
various colleges, admissions, ACT preparation, and financial aid.

Online advising is available for students who are not able to visit a campus to see an advisor. Simply click the link to "academic advising" and the form is available for submission 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



# smarthinking

USAGE SUMMARY—January 1, 2014 - February 27, 2014



WCCCD now offers online tutoring in partnership with SMARTHINKING for all currently enrolled academic students. They can connect with online tutoring 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to get the help when they need it. This tool also allows student registration data reports to be

generated for a specific time period.

#### FINANCIAL AID SUMMER WORKSHOPS

The District Financial Aid Office is hosting the annual summer workshop at each campus on Monday, March, 2014. Students who are interested in receiving financial aid for summer 2014 should plan to attend. These workshops are well attended every year. Presenters will inform students of updates for the 2014-15 financial aid year, as well as provide priority summer applications for limited Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant and Federal Work Study funds. See the financial aid website for more information.

### Downriver Campus MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION - Ethel Cronk and Sandr

- The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) presented an ICS 906 Class, Workplace Security Awareness course to staff at the Downriver Campus.
- MIPSE also hosted the U.S. Customs and Border Protection for a five-day Active Shooter Training. Participates explored the history of mass killings, initial response to a hostage/barricaded vs. an active shooter, improvised explosive device awareness and rescue first aid to name a few.

### **GENERAL MAINTENANCE**



The Downriver Campus provided tile repair to various sections of the hallways.

## **GRADUATION CLASS MEETING**

The Downriver Campus hosted the 2013 Graduation Class Meeting. Students were provided information about upcoming the Commencement Ceremony and were provided assistance in completing all necessary paperwork.





about their horticulture and hydrogen peroxide program. The program teacher, Jennifer Ferris also provided a toured of their greenhouse and fish farm.



- Anthony Arminiak attended the Downriver Career and Technical Career Expo. Mr. Arminiak also attended the Community Care Services Board of Directors meeting.
- Diane Gonzalez attended the 4th Annual College Fair at Allen Park High School. Ms. Gonzalez presented information on admissions and financial aid.

### Taylor Substance Abuse Taskforce

The Downriver Campus hosted the Taylor Substance Abuse Task Force, Underage Drinking Town Hall Meeting. Speakers from Taylor Police Department and the Department of Community Health presented information on underage drinking to parents and students.



### **THE BOOKWORMS HAVE BEEN NAMED!**

Meet Einstein and Annie! The winners are Linda Woodard for naming Einstein and Kerry Barnett-Novak for naming Annie.

#### **Bookworm Club**

Saturday, April 5, 2014 Little Rock Resource Center 10:00am-12:00noon Saturday, April 26, 2014 University Center 10:00am-12:00noon Saturday, June 14, 2014 Northwest Campus 10:00am-12:00noon Saturday, September 13, 2014 Downtown Campus 10:00am-12:00noon

## **DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

### **ABOUT THE LAW**

The Affordable Care Act puts consumers back in charge of their health care. Under the law, a new "Patient's Bill of Rights" gives the American people the stability and flexibility they need to make informed choices about their health.

#### <u>Mark Your</u> Calendars!

March 31 and April 30, 2014 Faculty Pay Date

March 14, 2014 Staff Pay Date

### **Affordable Care Act**

#### CARE

- Covers Preventive Care at No Cost to You: You may be eligible for recommended preventive health services. No copayment.
- Protects Your Choice of Doctors: Choose the primary care doctor you want from your plan's network.
- Removes Insurance Company Barriers to Emergency Services: You can seek emergency care at a hospital outside of your health plan's network.

## **AFFORDABLE CARE ACT**

### Costs

- Ends Lifetime Limits on Coverage: Lifetime limits on most benefits are banned for all new health insurance plans.
- **Reviews Premium Increases:** Insurance companies must now publicly justify any unreasonable rate hikes.
- Helps You Get the Most from Your Premium Dollars: Your premium dollars must be spent primarily on health care – not administrative costs.

### Affordable Care Act

### COVERAGE

- Ends Pre-Existing Condition Exclusions for Children: Health plans can no longer limit or deny benefits to children under 19 due to a pre-existing condition.
- Keeps Young Adults Covered: If you are under 26, you may be eligible to be covered under your parent's health plan.
- Ends Arbitrary Withdrawals of Insurance Coverage: Insurers can no longer cancel your coverage just because you made an honest mistake.
- Guarantees Your Right to Appeal: You now have the right to ask that your plan reconsider its denial of payment.

# **Deferred Maintenance**

Room E124 at the Downriver Campus received a face lift. The floor was sealed and the lighting was upgraded. These enhancements aid in promoting a positive image of the campus.





#### GATHER AT THE TABLE

Tom DeWolf's and Sharon Morgan's presentation was thought-provoking, entertaining, honest, and totally enlightening as they encouraged students to look humbly inside themselves regarding preconceived ideas of other races and cultures. Students asked many questions regarding their 30-day journey visiting

plantations, cemeteries and towns: that led to a partnership, friendship and kinship.





Mawine Diggs, President, Eastern Campus

### **DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES BLACK HISTORY MONTH**



#### HARRIETT TUBMAN AND FREDERICK DOUGLAS PORTRAYED BY THE BLACK STORYTELLERS

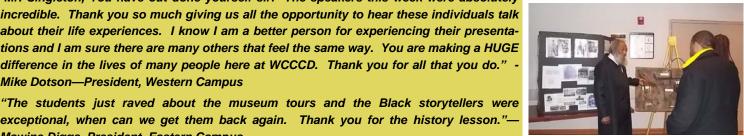
Students at the Eastern and Western campuses hosted Genevieve and Johnnie Bellamy, Historians with the National Association of Black Storvtellers. Participants were taken back in time to slavery and sharecropping experiences through their stories. The Bellamy's also engaged the students about the responsibility of their future careers and keeping their minds open to greatness. That was a great history lesson for all in attendance.





"Mr. Singleton, You have out done yourself sir! The speakers this week were absolutely incredible. Thank you so much giving us all the opportunity to hear these individuals talk about their life experiences. I know I am a better person for experiencing their presentations and I am sure there are many others that feel the same way. You are making a HUGE difference in the lives of many people here at WCCCD. Thank you for all that you do." Mike Dotson—President, Western Campus

exceptional, when can we get them back again. Thank you for the history lesson."



#### **DIGGIN' UP YOUR ROOTS**

Students at the Downriver Campus attended a workshop with professional genealogist and WCCCD instructor Carolyn Carter. The students were engaged and very interested in how to find their ancestors. Carolyn provided resources information, tips and tricks with the U.S. Census documents and tools for conducting family interviews.



#### WGPR TV **MUSEUM PROGRAM**

Carolyn Carter attended the debut program for Detroit's First Black owned Radio Station-WGPR. Dr. William V. Banks was the founder WGPR-TV Channel 62. The program was hosted by the WGPR TV Historical Society, Detroit Black Historic Sites Committee and the Detroit Historical Museum.



CENTER Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

# **EASTSIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The Mary Ellen Stempfle (MES) University Center hosted the Eastside Advisory Council (EAC) Meeting. Kate DeMeester, a member of the EAC, welcomed the members and provided an update on the partnership with WCCCD in the Grosse Pointe Public Library's upcoming Books on the Lake event and new author's series. Dr. Ron Harkness shared updates on the status of the District's Completion Agenda. Dr. Julie Corbett provided a community engagement summary, and Dr. Sandra Robinson shared the points of pride, highlights and updates from the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center.



### **CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS!**



Erika Walker and Ferris State Representative Julius Moses

The MES University Center is celebrating the graduation preparations for former student Erika Walker! Ms. Walker graduated from WCCCD in May of 2012, and will be completing her Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Ferris State University this spring. Ms. Walker spoke to students about the advantages of having the university partners onsite to help align them, the reduction in cost for classes, and the ability to complete her Bachelor's degree from Ferris State University.

# ON THE MOVE...

Nichole Pardo represented the District at the Michigan Veterans Community Action Team (MVCAT) Forum. The MVCAT Leadership Committee presented the "no-wrong-door" policy and shared resources available throughout the state of Michigan for veterans and their families.

# **FACULTY PAYROLL AUDIT**

