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# A MESSAGE from the President

The year was 1966...The Beatles, Dianna Ross and the Supremes, The Beach Boys, along with the Mamas and Papas, ruled the airways, bringing us songs like "Paper Back Writer," "You Can't Hurry Love," "Good Vibrations" and "California Dreamin"."

Pampers had just invented the first disposable diaper, and the mini-skirt was the latest fashion rage. The 38th Academy Awards made history as the ceremony was televised in color for the very first time. The Sound of Music took home the Oscar for Best Picture, and Julie Christie and Lee Marvin won Best Actress and Best Actor awards. While USA Gemini VIII made its first space docking with an orbiting satellite, here on Earth, many Americans spent their leisure time watching *Bonanza*, *The Andy* Griffith Show, Bewitched, The Ed Sullivan Show, Gomer Pyle and The Beverly Hillbillies.

Yes...1966 was a good year. On January 13th, the State University of New York Board of Trustees passed a resolution that the "proposal of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Herkimer to sponsor and establish a community college be and herby is approved." Shortly thereafter, SUNY Chancellor Samuel Gould communicated SUNY's approval for classes to begin in 1967, and members of the SUNY administration visited Herkimer to outline "next steps," with one of the first to be the appointment of the College's Board of Trustees. On June 29, 1966 the Herkimer County Community College's Board of Trustees held its first meeting.

But Herkimer County Community College's story truly starts several years prior. In 1962, during the April meeting of the Dolgeville Civic Club, Ed Vosburgh raised the idea of Herkimer County establishing a community college. This led the Herkimer County Board of Supervisors to form a special committee on the community college, charged with surveying community residents and employers about the idea. After receiving positive feedback, on January 28, 1963, the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution #21 requesting SUNY to authorize a community college in Herkimer County.

Those three years between the initial resolution to SUNY and approval of the Herkimer County Community College Board of Trustees were



DR. CATHLEEN C. **McCOLGIN** 

very busy. The College's curriculum and operating budget had to be developed, faculty and staff hired, and a temporary location identified and prepared. A total of 322 students arrived for classes at the Univac Plant #3 in Ilion on September 21, 1967, with tuition set at \$180 per semester.

The world we know today is vastly different than the one in 1966. A gallon of gas has soared from 32 cents to over two dollars, and a postage stamp costing five cents in 1966 has been replaced by email and social media.

And yet, Herkimer's commitment to our students and our community has remained steadfast. Consider the original philosophy and the purpose of the College as stated in the first catalog:

"The College aims to provide the student with academic preparation to enable him to earn an associate degree: either to continue his education toward a baccalaureate degree, or to obtain sufficient background for meaningful and satisfying employment. The College seeks to increase each student's potential for self-realization through informal student-faculty exchange, through varied co-curricular programs, and through student involvement in college and community activities."

Sound familiar? Throughout our 50 years, we have stayed focused on our mission, and today, as we celebrate 50 years of excellence, we continue to fulfill our promise to our students and community.

Congratulations and many thanks to our founders, retirees, employees, board members and supporters for your vision, commitment and tireless work to build a top-ranked community college. Happy Anniversary!

Sincerely,

Cathleen & mc Colgie

Cathleen C. McColgin, Ph.D.

President



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Jeanne F. Galvin

## REFLECTIONS ON 50 YEARS OF **EXCELLENCE**

FORMER AND CURRENT ADMINISTRATORS, FACULTY, STUDENTS, ALUMNI, BOARD MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE COLLEGE SHARED THEIR MEMORIES AND THOUGHTS FOR A 50TH ANNIVERSARY VIDEO, HERE IS WHAT THEY SAID, IN THEIR OWN WORDS.



William Pelz



Dr. Robert Campo



"There are many, many reasons for the success of the college. The administration made some very, very critical choices right at the beginning, and I think one of them was this site... We jumped right in, and I think the whole education community was watching this little start-up college and saying, "Where's Herkimer?" and "What is Herkimer?" I think right off the bat, we made a very definite impression and we made an imprint that's just stayed forever."

Jeanne F. Galvin, Associate Professor Emeritus (1971–1995)

"We have expanded our access reach far beyond the limits of the local five-county area, so we now have students from all over the world. We had a student who was stationed on a submarine, who took our courses over the internet. I have been fortunate, because of my relationship with the SUNY Learning Network. I've been taken to South Africa, and to Chile, and to Ecuador, and to Switzerland to spread not only the word about Herkimer, but the importance of effective online learning environments."

William Pelz, Professor, Social Science, and Instructional Designer

"It takes unusual talent and people to develop a college from scratch. The pioneers did their jobs very well, and of course the others, there are so many unsung heroes and highly motivated people who worked at the college ... We were fortunate in recruiting and having people highly motivated to help found the services, expand the services to students. Our philosophy was always student-centered. It came from the president, but was highly imbued throughout the college, and especially in student services."

Dr. Robert Campo, Dean Emeritus of Students (1969-1990)

"I would describe Herkimer College, as a whole, as a family environment. There are not too many colleges in the country where you could get to know everybody, have a personal relationship with the President, of course, or the Dean of Students... that's something very important to me, because if you go to a large school, you don't have opportunities like that."

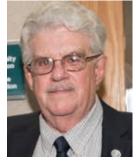
Timothy McKenzie '16



Timothy McKenzie

# 1966-2016

#### HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE A LOOK BACK



John Thayer

"We could not restrict ourselves just to Herkimer County. We would have closed in two weeks if we did that. We had to go statewide, and we did that by going to college nights and college days throughout the state and recruiting all kind of students from all kinds of areas... From the very first day, students who came to Herkimer County Community College knew that the faculty were very interested in them, and they were willing to do as much as they could to help them be successful. And I really believe that that is still a carryover."

John Thayer, Assistant Dean Emeritus (1967-1996)

"It's a place where students can come and be challenged, but at the same time supported. Many students don't have the academic credentials that their peers do when they come in the door. When they go out the door, they're able to compete in a highly competitive academic environment. And that's based on that personalized instruction that they receive here, and the personalized support that they receive from their faculty and staff... Today we have, literally, millionaires, billionaires, successful businessmen, attorneys, physicians, community leaders, politicians on a national level, who have had a student experience through Herkimer County Community College, where they learned not only the tenets of their craft, their professions, they learned the importance of giving back, of community service, serving with others, working on a team, and that goes from, you know, students in the art classes down in the administration hall all the way up to the athletics fields, so it's a consistent atmosphere that focuses on excellence."

Debra Sutliff

John D. Bullis '73, Dean Emeritus (1980-2006)



John D. Bullis

"I think what makes us special is probably what a lot of my peers would say, and I think that's because we are so caring. We're a kind institution. We want students to come in and succeed, and I think it's because of the people who work here." Debra Sutliff, Bursar (1988-present)



Jean E. Stapleton

"I'd like to say that I have a bag of memories from the day I started at the Univac plant, with all of the hardships but happy moments we had over there, to the arrival on the campus with beautiful buildings and just exciting things happening all during the years that I taught here. I feel that I had the privilege of working with wonderful administrators, with a faculty that was very caring for students, and very friendly. I was happy to have students who came from all over, with all kinds of backgrounds ... As you stand on the campus, and you look down over the valley, from this campus you can see all of the major means of transportation that go through New York State. You can see the trains going on the track, you can see the boats on the river, vehicles on the Thruway, a plane going overhead occasionally. And you look over on the hills and you see the beauty. I even love to come up on the campus at night and look down at the valley with all the lights. It's just a beautiful place to have a college, and I am just grateful that I had as many years as I did to enjoy this, to give whatever I could to enhance the college life and the teaching here at Herkimer County Community College. So, all-in-all, that's my bag of memories. It's a big bag, and it's brim-full."

Jean E. Stapleton, Professor Emeritus (1967-1991)

"Part of my vision for our institution is to make sure that we are staying in tune to workforce development needs. We are an economic engine, and we play a very important role in that aspect. So how do we prepare our students, not only for the jobs that are going to be here five or ten years from now, but how do we prepare our students and our graduates for those jobs that will take them in to the next 10 to 20 years? That's job one for us."

Cathleen C. McColgin, Ph.D., President (2015-Present)



Cathleen C. McColgin, Ph.D.

A special committee to study the community college concept is appointed by George Casler, Chairman of the Herkimer County Board of Supervisors.

Herkimer County Board of Supervisors approves a resolution requesting that the State University authorize a community college for Herkimer

A public opinion survey of Herkimer County residents shows 30 to 1 favoring a community college.

The Herkimer County Board of Supervisors approves a resolution recommending establishment of a community college, subject to a referendum vote at the next general

The SUNY Board resolves to sponsor and establish a community college for Herkimer County, making Herkimer County Community College the 29th community college in New York State.

The Herkimer County Community College Board of Trustees holds their first meeting.

The College budget for the 1966-67 fiscal year is approved in the amount of \$241, 938 with the County to contribute a share of \$140, 659.

The SUNY Board approves the appointment of Robert McLaughlin as founding president, effective December 1, 1966.

The College Board of Trustees votes to accept a gift of 4,000 shares of Mohawk Data Sciences stock made available by Edward Johnson, George Cogar, Richard Rifenburgh, and Theodore Robinson. A subsequent resolution approving a 100-acre site adjacent to the Village of Herkimer site is approved.

The first student, Keith D. Edwards from Ilion, is accepted for admission.

AUG

NUL

**SEP** 66



# the **TORCHBEARERS**

"We recognize those who have given themselves to light the way for future generations. Through their vision and commitment, our Torchbearers have built this community college and maintained its tradition of opportunity and excellence."

DR. JAMES ANDERSON

ROBERT BOYLE

DR. ROBERT CAMPO

DAVID CHAMPOUX

ANTHONY COSENTINO

**BESS CRISTMAN** 

DR. JOSEPH P. DELORENZO

DR. ROBERT DORRANCE

DR. DONALD GAVAGAN

COLONEL JAMES G. HILL

VIRGIL E. JOHNSON

RICHARD JORREY

FREDERICK JUER

**THOMAS LAPUMA** 

HAROLD LUTHER

ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN

**GRACE MCLAUGHLIN** 

FRANK J. MENAPACE

JEAN E. STAPLETON

JOHN H. THAYER

DR. H. DAVID TRAUTLEIN

ROBERT E. VANDUSEN





The Board of Trustees designates the firm of Parker and Soper of Watertown, designers of Jefferson Community College, as architects to develop plans for the new campus. The Board also designates Univac Plant # 3 in Ilion as the temporary site.



The Herkimer County College Foundation is organized and agrees to purchase 200 acres of land as requested by the Trustees.



A contest for an official seal for the College is held among county high school students. The winning design concept, submitted by Marie Johnson of Frankfort, is completed and executed by Bronson Quackenbush.



Classes begin with 221 full-time and 101 part-time students, including 74 evening students and 17 in the Old Forge location. There are 16 professional staff, and the teaching faculty includes Robert Dorrance, William Elenko, Raymond Lenarcic, Arthur Muller, Charles Sadowski, Shirley Samuels, Dorrothy Sharo, Jean Stapleton and Charles Webster.



Two full-tuition scholarships are announced. This first major contribution to the College's scholarship fund is made by Mohawk Data Sciences Corporation.



The College is awarded a federal grant of \$1,073,613 for campus construction under Title 1 of the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963.



Eighty eight graduates receive their diplomas at the College's first commencement held in the Herkimer Senior High School Auditorium.



Formal ground breaking ceremonies are held for the new permanent campus. The plan calls for five buildings with 280,720 square feet of space and a capacity of 1,100 day students – to be ready for occupancy by September 1971.



Classes begin at the new campus. Full-time enrollment is 884 and part-time exceeds 200. The five-building, 7.7 million dollar complex establishes something of a record in the SUNY system by occupying its permanent campus within five years of the establishment of the College.











# HISTORY of THE PRESIDENTS

ROBERT MCLAUGHLIN, L.H.D. (HONORIS CAUSA)

> **PRESIDENT EMERITUS**

> > 1966-1986

RONALD F. WILLIAMS, ED.D

> **PRESIDENT EMERITUS**

> > 1986-2008

**ANN MARIE** MURRAY, PH.D.

2008-2014

CATHLEEN C. MCCOLGIN, PH.D. 2015-PRESENT









"When you're a president, it's a 24-hour, seven day a week job. You've always got calls coming in and problems that need to be solved. But I loved it. I loved the College, and I love it today."

Dr. Ronald F. Williams, President Emeritus





Herkimer County Community College is granted full accreditation by the Middle States Association (MSA). The evaluation team includes in their report the following, "... The faculty is young, enthusiastic, dedicated, loyal and of good caliber. Its publishing propensity is commendable, almost unique.... The College is to be congratulated on the quality of its administrative staff...The President is an able and devoted leader who seems to possess unusual energy and has hurdled many of the initial obstacles that face a new college creditably..."

Drl Robert Dorrance is one of the initial recipients of the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching and the first of several Herkimer faculty and administrators solhonored.

The Nature Center is dedicated on 55 acres featuring a 9/10 mile-long interpretative nature trail, a managed artificial pond and a tree plantation.

The College's Archeology Museum opens.

The Herkimer County Arts & Crafts Fair sponsored by the Herkimer County College Foundation is initiated.

The Natural History Museum opens with exhibits and displays of both plant and animal life found in the Mohawk Valley area.

The Computer Laboratory in Johnson Hall opens with 10 Apple II, three PET, one NCR 8150, a TRS-80 and a Singer 1501.C computer system. Soon after, 24 MDS System 2100 terminals and 19 Apple IIE computers are added.

The HCC Foundation Gallery opens and is later named the Cogar Gallery.

President Robert McLaughlin retires, and Dr. Ronald F. Williams is appointed president.

The College's own cable TV station becomes a reality as a result of a member item grant of \$30,000 from State Senator James Donovan for the purchase of microwave equipment.

**MAY** 73

<u>OCT</u> 73

<u>MAY</u> 75

**NOV** 75

<u>SEP</u> 77

<u>1981</u> -82

<u>Fall</u> 85

35

<u>JUL</u> 86

<u>1986</u> -87



Jean Stapleton was the first advisor of the Government, a post she held for many years.

## **FOUNDING BOARD** of **TRUSTEES**

1967-68

Frederick Juer, Chairman Dr. Donald A. Gavagan, Vice Chairman Harold E. Whittemore, Secretary Dr. James Anderson Bess Cristman Anthony Cosentino Frances Vickers Vincent J. locovozzi Harry W. Snyder

## **FOUNDING FACULTY** and **ADMINISTRATION**

1967-68

Dr. H. David Trautlein, Dean John Buscani, Instructor, English Dr. Robert W. Dorrance Jr., Assistant Professor of Biology William Elenko, Assistant Professor of Business Raymond J. Lenarcic, Instructor of History Arthur W. Muller, Assistant Professor of Physics

Robert McLaughlin, President

and Mathematics Warren D. Quets, Business Officer Charles E. Sadowski, Instructor of Sociology Shirley Samuels, Instructor of English Philip Q. Sawin Jr., Librarian Miss Dorothy H. Sharo, Instructor of Business Miss Jean E. Stapleton, Assistant Professor of Foreign Language John H. Thayer, Admissions Counselor-Registrar Charles H. Webster, Instructor of Mathematics

# ATHLETIC HALL of FAME

Todd Allen John W. (Jack) Alofs Pepe Aragon '91 Dwight Barnett '06 Eileen Coyle '04 John Fornino Jeanne Galvin Sharon Gleasman-Howell '79 Paul J. Henriques Thomas LaPuma Charlie LaQuay Sarah (Lazarus) Lorence '08 Dr. Frederick Douglass Opie '83 Paul Wehrum Cynthia Wetmore '80 1987 Field Hockey Team 1988 Men's Lacrosse Team

### ALUMNI HALL of HONOR

Theodore R. Adams '76 Robert E. Baber '74 Martin Babinec '75 Rose Marie Battisti-Bruce '85 Margaret E. (Mootz) Beck '69 Dartray Belk '06 Carolyn H. Bergeron '13 Robert E. Brenchley '74 Daniel J. Burling '77 Jeffrey S. Carpenter '87 Randolph J. Collins '78 John D. Coveleski '85 Dr. Anne E. Dorrance '78 Harrison J. Hummel III '74 Shane Hurlbut '84 Andrew J. Kaiser '83 Leigh Keno '77 Leslie Keno '77 Thomas G. Lake '99 James A.W. McLeod '69 Dr. Ronald J. Miers '80, '94 Dr. Frederick Douglass Opie '83 William L. Plante '71 Dr. Mark D. Silliman '72 Donald J. Snyder '04 James N. Walczak '72



FALL 87

Herkimer wins its first National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) national championship title in field hockey under Coach Jeanne Galvin. The following year, national championships are won in the men's Nordic 10K and men's lacrosse.

> **SEP** 89

Herkimer offers off-site college classes at Mt. Markham High School to help improve preparation of mathematics and science students enrolling at the College.

**FEB** 91

The Technology Center is dedicated and provides classroom and laboratory space for study in Criminal Justice, Radio & Television, Computer Science, Computer Assisted Design, Occupational Therapy and Travel & Tourism.

**FEB** 93

The FCC approves a station construction permit for the college's new FM station, WVHC.

<u>SEP</u> 94

The College opens the Old Forge Education Center to address the educational needs of Town of Webb residents.

**NOV** 94

The men's soccer team wins its first national championship with an undefeated season.

**NOV** 94

Herkimer County begins planning for a 911 system and the College offers space to house the 911 center.

<u>JAN</u> 95

The College's Communities 2000 program aids the local planning process by helping Herkimer business owners, property owners, local government representatives, and residents to develop a plan to revitalize North Main Street.

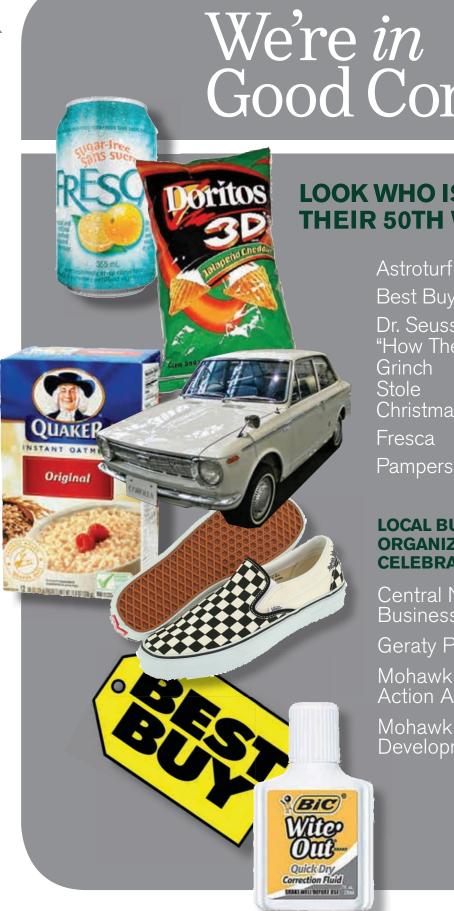
<u>JAN</u> 96

The College enters into an agreement with the Herkimer Area Resource Center to provide a shuttle bus to transport students from the community to the College.

OCT 96

Students conduct an economic development survey, interviewing business and industry leaders in Herkimer County on behalf of the Communities 2000 program. Results are analyzed by the College, County officials, and business leaders to determine how to improve the area's business climate and create more jobs.





# We're *in* Good Company

**LOOK WHO IS CELEBRATING** THEIR 50TH WITH US.

> Best Buy Dr. Seuss' "How The Grinch Stole

Christmas" Fresca

**Pampers** 

Quaker Instant Oatmeal Star Trek Toyota Corolla

> Twister Vans

Wite-Out

#### **LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS CELEBRATING 50 YEARS:**

Central New York **Business Journal** 

Geraty Pools & Spa

Mohawk Valley Community Action Agency

Mohawk Valley Economic Development District

A distance learning network, consisting of 11 distance learning classrooms covering a 1,500 square mile region in Central New York, provides educational opportunities for students in rural communities.

International student enrollment increases from 12 in 1996 to 48 in 1997. Students hail from Ghana, Japan, Dominican Republic, Sweden, Egypt, Russia, Poland, Trinidad & Tobago, El Salvador, India, Kenya, Bosnia, Haiti, Taiwan, Belarus, Vietnam, China, United Kingdom, Honduras and Mexico.

Herkimer's Upsilon Epsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society wins several awards at the New York Region Annual Convention including the Leadership Hallmark Award, four-star level in the five-star Chapter Development Program, and Most Distinguished Member – Kenneth Gates of Herkimer. For the second consecutive year, Herkimer's chapter is named Most Distinguished in the New York Region.

The State Education Department approves two new academic programs, jointly registered with SUNY Oneonta, providing opportunities to earn a bachelor's degree on the Herkimer campus. Additionally, Herkimer and Buffalo State College cooperate in a state-of-the-art distance learning program that brings a Master's in Adult Education program to the campus through a fiber-optic network.

The Internet Academy is launched with six complete degree programs online: Travel and Tourism (AAS), Liberal Arts and Sciences: General Studies (AA), Criminal Justice (AAS), Business: Business Administration (AA) and Business: Business Administration (AAS).

The College holds ribbon cutting and dedication ceremonies for the 9.1 million dollar expansion to the Robert McLaughlin College Center and Physical Education Building.

The Board of Trustees passes a resolution requesting that the College Foundation acquire and manage previously privately-owned student housing.

<u>SEP</u>

<u>MAR</u> 98

JUL

**MAY** 99

JUN 99

<u>SEP</u>



# 50 Points of Pride

IN HONOR of the **50TH ANNIVERSARY** 

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR WE ARE PUBLISHING 50 POINTS OF PRIDE. A FEW ARE SHARED WITH YOU HERE. TO READ MORE, VISIT HERKIMER.EDU/50



Our students come from all corners of the world (18 different countries this year!), walks of life, young and old. Though each has their own specific goals and dreams for the future, the one thing they all have in common is that they are looking to Herkimer College for opportunities, support and guidance to help them move successfully along their path to reaching those goals and dreams. From lectures, field trips and internships to campus and community activities, student government and athletics, our students find numerous ways to develop skills, gain confidence, and learn about themselves. Through their experiences at Herkimer, they are able to overcome challenges, and create opportunities for themselves which might not have been present before. At Herkimer College, we are very proud of our students and the success they achieve here at Herkimer and beyond. (Continued at www.herkimer.edu/50)





The life blood of any institution of higher education is the faculty, and at Herkimer County Community College, we have some of the very best! Our founding faculty took a chance on a start-up college without a campus and established a solid foundation for a premier academic experience which continues today. Many of our faculty have made lifelong careers here at Herkimer, creating a strong sense of community and a caring environment.

Whether on-campus or online, our faculty bring excellence to the classroom and are committed to teaching and learning. They are also academic and club advisors, coaches and mentors. Through their many roles, faculty help guide and support students in their efforts to overcome challenges and meet their academic goals.



We are proud of the credentials, skills and experience our faculty bring to Herkimer. Several faculty have earned doctorate and professional degrees elevating the academic reputation of our institution. Our faculty are frequently recognized among their peers locally, statewide, nationally and even internationally.

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One of the four core values embraced by Herkimer College is excellence. We strive for excellence in all that we do, so that our students and community will benefit from high quality, accessible educational opportunities and services. External recognition reaffirms our institution's commitment to excellence and the dedication of our faculty and

**MAR** 00

The Alumni Association holds its Inaugural Hall of Honor Induction Ceremony to honor eight alumni who have distinguished themselves in the pursuit of excellence in areas of personal achievement, professional accomplishment or community service.

AUG 00

The Internet Academy adds six new degree programs and two certificate programs to its offerings.

<u>SEP</u>

The Radio-TV program launches a five-year campaign to transition the technology to a more modern digital format.

<u>JUL</u> 01

The tuition rate for the concurrent enrollment program decreases from \$80 to \$30 per credit hour, and the program is officially named College Now. Enrollment in College Now increases 276 percent, from 72 in fall 2000 to 271 in fall 2001.

AUG

A new student housing complex, Reservoir Run, is dedicated making Herkimer the largest residential community college in New York State.

NOV

A new degree program, Criminal Justice: Cybersecurity (AS) is approved by SUNY and the State Education Department. It is one of the first initiatives resulting from a partnership with other local colleges and the Air Force Research Laboratory in Rome, NY with the goal of having a local degree path in Cybersecurity, from associate level through doctoral level of study.

<u>JAN</u> 04

Herkimer hosts the community colleges at a groundbreaking Peace Officer Legislation Conference.

MAR 04

Total enrollment for spring 2004 is over 3,000 students with 71 percent from outside Herkimer County, and 120 students representing 45 countries from around the world.

**MAY** 05

Herkimer has more student-athletes earn Academic All-Region awards than any other community college in New York State. These awards are given to student athletes who have earned at least 45 credit hours and a GPA of 3.5 or better.





staff to ensuring quality programs and a premier college experience for our students.

We are proud of the many awards and rankings Herkimer College has received in

recent years. CNNMoney ranked Herkimer among the top 100 community colleges in the nation for student success, based on graduation and transfer rates. CNNMoney's ranking also placed Herkimer among the top two community colleges in New York State (tied for first with Genesee Community College). Similarly, the website Schools.com ranked Herkimer as the second best community college

in the state, based on several factors including student-to-faculty ratio, affordability, flexibility, and graduation, retention and transfer rates.

Most recently, the Aspen Institute ranked Herkimer among the top 150 community colleges in the nation based on strong outcomes in four areas of student success: student learning, certificate or degree completion, employment and earnings, and access and success for minority and low-income students. Herkimer College was one of only two SUNY community colleges to make the list.



# OUR STAFF

Our staff go above and beyond on a regular basis to ensure a premier student experience. They are innovative in identifying and developing new programs, services and procedures. They are quick to help out in times of need, creative in solving problems, and resilient and optimistic during challenging times. And most of all, they are caring. Our staff truly care about our students, the campus and our community.

Many students need assistance navigating college services and processes, and for residential students, living away from home for the first time can be overwhelming. Our staff become pseudo-parents to many, providing students with much-needed guidance and reassurance, and sometimes a home-cooked meal or a hug. From processing applications to planning activities, from shoveling snow to scheduling tutors, every staff member contributes to the student experience in an important way...and they do it with care and compassion. It is the genuine concern for students shown by our staff that has created and sustained a welcoming, caring and inclusive campus environment. And they demonstrate each and every day that every employee makes a difference.

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# Herkimer College

## Celebrating 50 Years of Excellence



Ranked among the top 150 community colleges in the nation. The Aspen Institute

Recipient of the 2016 SUNY Faculty Advisory Council on Teaching and Technology Award for Instructional Support.

Ranked second best community college in New York State for accreditation, affordability, academic quality and student satisfaction.

EDsmart.org

Recognized as one of the most affordable online accredited colleges in the nation. OnlineU

Ranked second best community college in New York State. Schools.com

Ranked among the top 100 community colleges in the nation for student success based on graduation and transfer rates. CNNMoney

Recipient of the 2016 Institutional Achievement Award for effective use of technology in teaching and learning.

National University Technology Network

Two-time winner of the NATYCAA Cup ranking the Generals first in the nation among two-year non-scholarship athletic programs (2014 and 2015).

National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators

Recipient of the Region III Sportsmanship and Community Service Recognition awards. National Junior College Athletic Association

Recipient of the and Community awards. Nation

anniversary

The Child Care Center earns accreditation by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, the nation's leading organization of early childhood professionals.

A dedication ceremony is held for Herkimer County Veterans Memorial Park, located at the entrance to Wehrum Stadium.

Herkimer hosts the NJCAA Division III men's and women's soccer championship tournaments. The new multi-million dollar Wehrum Stadium features artificial turf, a new scoreboard, press box area, team locker room/officials building, bleachers for 750 spectators and a concession stand.

The General Herkimer mascot makes his debut at the NJCAA soccer championship tournament at Wehrum Stadium.

The Robert H. Wood Great Artists Series is announced, the result of an endowment by the late Robert H. Wood, a long-time Ilion resident, to support classical music in the local community.

A ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony are held for the renovated and expanded Library Complex. The Library is named for retiring President Ronald F. Williams.

Dr. Ronald F. Williams retires after 22 years as president, and the SUNY Board approves a resolution to appoint Dr. Ann Marie Murray as the third president of Herkimer County Community College.

The College expands its environmental conservation and waste reduction program to include several new initiatives, including the first food composting program on a college campus in the two-county region.

President Murray announces an amended campus safety and security plan, which includes the training, testing and authorization of campus peace officers to carry firearms.

**AUG** 05

OCT 05

> <u>NOV</u> 05

NOV 06

**MAY** 07

<u>MAY</u> 08

<u>NUL</u> 80

<u>SEP</u> 08

NOV 08







Two notable alumni were inducted to the Alumni Hall of Honor during a ceremony held on Friday, September 30.

TWO ALUMNI INDUCTED:

New Alumni Wall of Honor Unveiled

Donald J. Snyder '04, of West Winfield, NY, is an attorney who served on the College's Board of Trustees for more than 22 years, including 12 years as chairman. During his tenure on the board, the College experienced significant growth including the construction of the Technology Center, Wehrum Stadium and Reservoir Run and the expansion of the Robert McLaughlin College Center, Physical Education and Library Buildings. Snyder was instrumental in securing funding for

the Edward Manning and Shirley Augar Gaynor Science Center. While serving on the Board, Snyder enrolled at Herkimer College and was affectionately known by his classmates as "the kid with white hair." Snyder said, "After retiring from the court system in 2002, I was privileged to have the ability to fulfill a dream of mine, which was to receive a degree in the field of Fine Arts, which with the assistance of all the wonderful teachers and students here, I was able to do in 2004."

Dartray Belk '06, of New York City, earned an associate in science degree in Criminal Justice and continued his education at Hartford University in Hartford, Connecticut. He is a New York City police officer and a community affairs liaison officer



The Board approves a resolution requiring out-of-county applicants, to have a high school GPA of 65 or above to gain immediate admission to the College (effective spring 2010).

**MAY** 10

An honorary SUNY Doctor of Humane Letters degree is conferred on President Emeritus Robert McLaughlin at the College's 42nd Commencement.

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Six faculty members travel to China to teach high school students through the Bright Vision Education Group.

**SEP** 10

The Board of Trustees approves a resolution to increase the required high school GPA for out-of-county applicants from 65 to 68. The change is effective with the spring 2011 semester and is expected to continue to improve the academic success, retention and graduation rates of students.

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A ribbon cutting is held for the Center for Global Learning, an important resource to prepare all students to become productive citizens engaged in a global society.

<u>SEP</u>

The inaugural Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony honors five individuals who made extraordinary contributions to the College through intercollegiate athletics. The 2011 class includes: Thomas LaPuma, professor emeritus and former athletic director; John W. (Jack) Alofs, retired men's basketball coach (posthumously awarded); Dwight Barnett '06, men's soccer; Sharon Gleasman-Howell '79, multi-sport athlete; and Dr. Frederick Douglass Opie '87, men's lacrosse.

Pitcher Willie Gabay of Mahopac, NY becomes the first Herkimer player ever selected in the Major League Baseball draft. He is chosen by the Tampa Bay Rays in the 15th round of the draft. Hassan Evans of Brooklyn is selected by the Chicago Cubs in the 38th round.

CNNMoney publishes a report

ranking community colleges on student success, based on federally-

reported graduation and transfer

rates. Herkimer is ranked among the

top 100 in the nation and is tied with

Genesee Community College for the top ranking in New York State.

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Eleven members of the Herkimer County Community College Alumni Hall of Honor attended the induction of two new honorees, Donald J. Snyder '04 and Dartray Belk '06, on Friday, September 30. Pictured from left: President Cathleen McColgin, Daniel J. Burling, Dr. Frederick Douglass Opie, Margaret E. (Mootz) Beck, Carolyn Bergeron, Dr. Anne E. Dorrance, Martin Babinec, Robert Brenchley, Robert E. Baber, Randolph J. Collins, Jeffrey Carpenter, Snyder, Belk, Chair of the Board Isabella Crandall, and Harrison J. Hummel III.

with the 26th precinct in Harlem, NY. A member of the basketball team at both Herkimer and Hartford, he credits his professors and coaches as his main supporters and mentors. Recognized for his volunteerism, Belk has played an integral role in volunteer projects aimed at weeding out negative actions in communities and replacing them with positive, productive action. In his acceptance speech, Belk said, "Herkimer was the college that gave me an opportunity. With their dedication to student relationships and the community, this school was the perfect fit for me."

The Alumni Wall of Honor recognizes alumni who have distinguished themselves in their careers and/or in service to their communities. Snyder

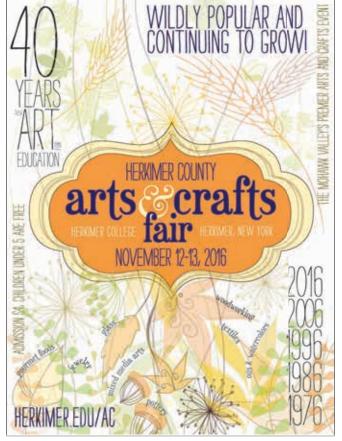
and Belk joined 24 other alumni inducted within the past 16 years.

Eleven previously inducted alumni were in attendance at the induction ceremony, held during the College's Fall Fest & Alumni Weekend. They were publicly introduced individually, with a brief description of their accomplishments, as they processed into Alumni Hall. At the conclusion of the induction ceremony, a new Alumni Wall of Honor was unveiled in the main corridor of the Robert McLaughlin College Center.

The ceremony was followed by a reception and a special fireworks display in celebration of Herkimer College's 50th Anniversary.

herkimer.edu/ahoh





#### **Arts and Crafts Fair Celebrates 40 Years!**

The Herkimer County Arts and Crafts fair is a long running tradition established by the Herkimer County College Foundation as a fundraiser to help raise money for student scholarships. Celebrating its 40th year this past November, the fair has grown to be one of the largest and most highly respected in New York State and is known for its variety of unique products and vendors. With more than 140 vendors, there is something for everyone from pottery, oil paintings, gourmet foods and wood working to textiles, weaving, soaps, jewelry and more. Sunshine Artist, America's Premier Art and Craft Show Magazine, said the show is an "...event proven to be successful for thousands of artists over the years." Most importantly, the fair has supported countless scholarships for Herkimer College students over the past 40 years, providing access and hope to those who may not otherwise have had the opportunity for a higher education.



#### IN MEMORIAM

Herkimer College extends its sincere sympathy to the families of the following deceased alumni.

Mr. John R. Jarosz Sr, Class of 1970 Mr. John J. Fink, Class of 1970 Mr. Allen S. Koziol, Class of 1977 Mr. Stephen A. Major, Class of 1981 Mrs. Gertrude M. (Aniceto) Sheerin, Class of 1981

Ms. Joann Savicki, Class of 1984 Mr. Donald W. Long, Class of 1985 Mr. Jeffrey M. Shepardson, Class of 1989 Ms. Gaylene C. Nuborazek, Class of 1990 Mr. Willard J. Stahl Jr, Class of 1991 Ms. Shelly S. Griffith, Class of 1993 Mr. Jeffrey D. Smith, Class of 1993 Mrs. Joyce M. York, Class of 1994

www.HerkimerGenerals.com/

Seeking Nominations for **ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2017** 

Herkimer College is accepting nominations for the Athletic Hall of Fame. The Class of 2017

induction ceremony will be held Friday, September 29, 2017, as part of the College's Fall Fest & Alumni Weekend. Please consider nominating individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the institution through intercollegiate athletics. Nominations are due February

15, 2017. More information regarding eligibility and nomination form are available at

#### **ALUMNI UPDATES**

**STEVE NEWVINE**, Class of 1977, Radio and Television Broadcasting, was named a Mielke Champion by Pacific Gas & Electric Company in recognition of his community service in Merced. He was recognized for his volunteer work at the Merced County Workforce Investment Board and with Love Plus, a skills training program for adults.

KATIE RANNO, Class of 2013, Communication Arts: Digital Filmmaking, graduated from SUNY Oswego with a BA in Broadcasting and Mass Communications and is employed as a news producer at News 10 in Albany. A dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony is held for the Edward Manning and Shirley Augar Gaynor Science Center. The 2.8 million dollar project, funded by the Foundation's Elements Campaign, includes five new state-of-the-art science laboratories, a greenhouse and preparation room, as well as a new heating and cooling system and roof for Johnson Hall.

With the Class of 2013, Herkimer County Community College has graduated more than 20,000 students since its founding.

President Ann Marie Murray unveils results of a brand development initiative. The new college logo includes the words "The State University of New York" and features the traditional college seal. A new Herkimer Generals logo is also revealed. New websites for the college and athletics are launched with responsive design and optimal user navigation as a priority.

Short stories, poems, and artwork of Herkimer College students, alumni, emeritus, and staff are showcased in the relaunch of the College's literary magazine, Phaethon.

Herkimer College places first in the 2013-2014 National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators (NATYCAA) Cup competition, ranking the college first in the nation among two-year non-scholarship athletic programs. Herkimer has placed in the top five of the competition since the award's inception in 2004.

Dr. Cathleen C. McColgin begins her tenure as the fourth president of Herkimer County Community College.

The Internet Academy is the recipient of the 2016 State University of New York Faculty Advisory Council on Teaching and Technology (SUNY FACTT) Award for Instructional Support for its online course refresh initiative.

The Internet Academy is a recipient of the 2016 Institutional Achievement Award by the National University Technology Network (NUTN) for effective use of technology in teaching and learning and advancing the field as an institutional model.

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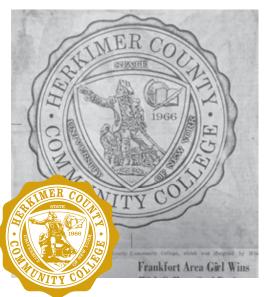
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## REMEMBER WHEN...

- Lyndon B. Johnson was President of the United States
- Nelson Rockefeller was Governor of New York State



In 1967, student Marie Johnson of Frankfort won a contest to design the official college seal. The mark remains as the College's official seal today.

# Champions of 1966

**World Series Champions:** 

**NFL Champions:** 

**AFL Champions:** 

**NBA Champions:** 

Stanley Cup Champs: Montreal Canadiens

U.S. Open Golf:

U.S. Tennis (Men/Ladies):

Wimbledon (Men/Women): Manuel Santana/Billie Jean King

NCAA Football Champions:

NCAA Basketball Champions:

**Kentucky Derby:** 

The only time you should ever look back is to see how *far* you've come.



Alternatives for a temporary campus site included renting Univac space in Ilion, renting the Burrell property in Little Falls, and using Herkimer High School or Little Falls High School in the evenings. The Univac space was chosen.

The first student accepted for admission was Keith D. Edwards from llion on February 2, 1967.

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HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# ANNUAL REPORT



# A MESSAGE FROM THE **Foundation Director**

#### **ROB FOWLER**



Dear Friends of Herkimer College,

Through the kindness, generosity and passion of so many alumni, business partners and community members, the Herkimer County College Foundation continues to expand its ability to support the College. I'd like to take this opportunity to say "thank you" to all who have contributed to the Foundation.

Thanks to some very generous contributions, we have been able to create a few new scholarships and significantly improve some already in existence. We have been able to grant well over 100 scholarships this year, and the impact that has on our students is profound.

As part of Herkimer College's 50th anniversary celebration during Fall Fest & Alumni Weekend, the Foundation recognized the accomplishments of Donald J. Snyder '04 and Dartray Belk '06 by inducting them into the Alumni Wall of Honor. We welcomed back to campus several former alumni honorees who took part in the induction ceremony, as well as the unveiling of a new Alumni Wall of Honor in a more prominent location in the main corridor of the Robert McLaughlin College Center.

We continue to meet and talk with more and more alumni of Herkimer College. It's always rewarding to make the connection and learn about the role Herkimer College has played in their lives. Meeting and getting to know you, the alumni and friends of Herkimer College, remains an extremely rewarding part of my position, and your continued generosity and support of both the College and Foundation is much appreciated.

Sincerely.

Rob Fowler, Executive Director Herkimer County College Foundation

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#### **AWARDS, HONORS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

## Inauguration

President **CATHLEEN C. MCCOLGIN** was inaugurated on Friday, April 8, 2016 with more than 400 participants and guests attending the traditional academic ceremony in the Sarkus-Busch Theater. In attendance were current and former college trustees, faculty, staff, administrators, students, emeriti, retirees, community leaders, college delegates, and Dr. McColgin's family and friends. "Dr. McColgin is



here for the students. She has a passion for seeing students excel in their lives and careers and is constantly looking for ways to help them become successful. Dr. McColgin truly believes that the success of a college depends on the success of its students," said Rhiannon Steele '15 and '16, President, Student Government Association.

# Faculty & Staff



#### TABITHA CARTER.

coordinator for the
Internet Academy,
received the SUNY
Chancellor's Award for
Professional Service,
and Assistant Professor
of English ANDREW
DEVITT received the
SUNY Chancellor's
Award for Excellence in
Teaching.

The Board of Trustees granted emeritus status to two retired faculty members, **LORRAINE SINISCARCO** and **MARY GREENE**. Ms. Siniscarco retired as an associate professor of Science after 26 years of service, and Ms. Greene retired as a professor of Human Services/Social Science with 23 years of service.

Professor **MARYANN WRINN** had a piece accepted into the 81st Annual Cooperstown Art Association National Juried Art Exhibition. Ms. Wrinn received the Elsie M. Burch Memorial Prize for her mixed media collage 'Liar.'

Associate Professor of English LISA ELWOOD-FARBER published an article on American literature called "Grimké's Sentimentalism in Rachel: Subversion as an Act of Feminism" in Critical Insights: Harlem Renaissance: The New Negro Intellectual and the Poetry of the Political Imagination for Salem Press, edited by Christopher Varlack. It was presented at the Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA) conference in Toronto, Canada in May 2015. Elwood-Farber also published an article called "Mothering, Mothers and the Historical Representations of Black Motherhood in Fiction: Barbara Chase-Riboud's Sally Hemings" in the anthology Black Motherhood: Contours, Contexts, and Considerations for Demeter Press edited by Karen T. Craddock.



Assistant Professor of Human Services DR. CHRISTINA BOBESKY published an article with Matthew Mulvaney in the Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies for the Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, titled Ukrainian

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#### AWARDS, HONORS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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and American identities as predictors of marital and parenting attitudes within the acculturating Ukrainian-American community. The article examines the process of acculturation within the Ukrainian community in the United States and how acculturation processes are related to attitudes on childrearing and traditional family formation.

**PHAETHON**, Herkimer College's literary magazine, won second place among small colleges in the Eastern Division in the Community College Humanities Association's 2015 Literary Magazine Competition. Three students, ZACHARY VERCZ, SHUNYU YAO, AND ZAVIER GOINS won individual awards.

The HERKIMER COLLEGE CHILDREN'S CENTER. along with child care staff KATHLEEN NETTI and TONI MONTANA, were presented with the 'Friend of Children Award' by the Child Care Council of Cornell Cooperative Extension. The Children's Center was recognized for its familyfriendly services and demonstrated leadership in establishing family-friendly policies which allow Herkimer College employees, students and community parents the ability to balance work, school and family. Netti and Montana were recognized individually for their direct influence in providing excellent care and education to children.

Campus Peace Officer RYAN CORNISH graduated from the Zone Five Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy on August 8, 2016.

#### Students

Class of 2016 graduates **NICOLE DOOLEN** (soccer) and PATRICK DORRIAN (baseball and basketball) received the 2016 SUNY Chancellor's Scholar Athlete Award recognizing a combination of outstanding academic excellence and superior athletic achievement. They were among only 78 recipients from 42 campuses statewide to receive the award this year.

Class of 2016 graduates **TIMOTHY MCKENZIE** (Central Islip, NY) and LINDSEY PARESE (Herkimer, NY) received the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. The award recognizes students who have best demonstrated, and have been recognized for, the integration of academic excellence with accomplishments in the areas of leadership, athletics, community service, creative and performing arts, campus involvement or career achievement.

RHIANNON STEELE and JAYRE REYNOSO-**ALCANTARA** were two of only 77 students from across New York State to be honored with the Phi Theta Kappa All-New York Academic Scholar Award.

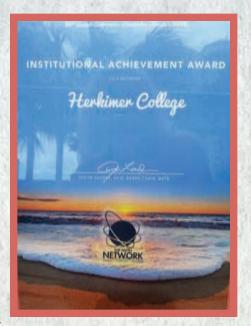
**XANTHIAN LINCOLN** (Laurens, NY) won the Five Star Subaru Award at the Sixth Annual Art and Poetry Contest hosted by Leatherstocking Education on Alcoholism/Addictions Foundation (LEAF) at the Community Arts Network of Oneonta (CANO). Lincoln, a Fine Arts major, won with her charcoal drawing "The True Colors of Love: In Memory of Papa 1938-2016."

Herkimer College Physical Therapist Assistant major **CONOR MALONEY** was one of four students in New York State to receive the 2015-2016 Vanguard Student Recognition Award for postsecondary education. Maloney, of Burnt Hills, NY, was recognized by the Nontraditional Employment & Training Program (NET) at the Center for Women in Government & Civil Society at the University of Albany as an outstanding student enrolled in a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program that traditionally enrolls students of the opposite gender.

#### THE INTERNET ACADEMY received the 2016 Institutional **Achievement Award** presented by the National University Technology Network (NUTN). The award recognizes effective use of technology in teaching and learning and/or organizational administration that is exemplary, demonstrating leadership and commitment, but also advancing the field as an institutional model. The Internet Academy was selected for the 'Course Refresh Initiative,' designed to guarantee online students the highest quality, most accessible and most personally relevant online courses possible.



Herkimer County Community College, in partnership with four other community colleges, received an **Achieving the Dream** (ATD) grant to create new degree programs using high quality open educational resources (OER) in new degree programs. The initiative, which



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Herkimer College was ranked among the most affordable accredited online colleges in the nation for three associate doctree programs.

the nation for three associate degree programs by OnlineU. Herkimer College ranked 8th for Medical Billing and Coding, 16th for Accounting, and 17th for Criminal Justice.

The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program named Herkimer County Community College as **one of the nation's top 150 community colleges** eligible to compete for the 2017 Aspen Prize for Community Excellence, the nation's signature recognition of high achievement and performance among America's community colleges. Herkimer College was one of only two SUNY community colleges to make the top 150 list.

involves 38 community colleges in 13 states, is designed to help remove financial roadblocks that can derail students' progress and spur improvements that will increase the likelihood of degree and certificate completion.

Herkimer College is converting two online degree programs,

Liberal Arts and Sciences: General Studies and Business: Health Services Management Technology, to what are called "Z-degrees." All required and elective courses will move from publisher copyrighted textbooks to Open Educational Resources.

received the 2016 State University of New York Faculty Advisory Council on **Teaching and Technology** (SUNY FACTT) **Award** for Instructional Support.



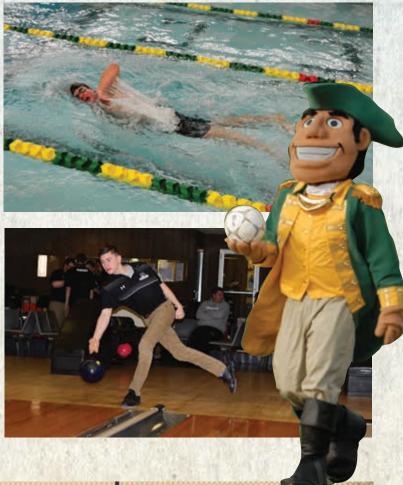
#### **AWARDS, HONORS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

## **Athletics**

The Herkimer Generals athletic program placed fourth overall nationally among two-year non-scholarship athletic programs in the National Alliance of Two-Year Athletic Administrators (NATYCAA) Cup rankings for 2015-2016. Herkimer also finished 13th in the standings for the Learfield Sports Directors' Cup recognizing the top overall two-year colleges in all divisions combined. Both programs recognize excellence in two-year colleges, based on athletic success in championship competition.

Helping the Generals to this national recognition in 2015-2016 were 11 appearances in national championship competition including 21 Region III individual and team championships. Herkimer's top team performances came from softball (2nd), women's soccer (4th), men's soccer (7th), women's bowling (7th), men's and women's swimming & diving (9th), men's and women's track & field (11th), men's bowling (13th) and women's cross country (14th). Region III team championships were won by men's soccer, women's soccer, women's track & field and softball, while several individual regional championships were earned in track and field and swimming and diving.









# Ways to • **SIVC** to Herkimer College

Donations to the Herkimer County College Foundation help us provide scholarships for deserving students and advance the College's most important goals. We depend on the generosity of our alumni and friends to improve the quality of the Herkimer College experience.

There are many ways you can support Herkimer College.



#### Contact Us

For more information or to suggest another way you'd like to support the Foundation, please contact Rob Fowler, Executive Director, Herkimer County College Foundation, at 315-574-4015.

#### Contribute to the Annual Fund

Unrestricted gifts to the annual fund are allocated at the discretion of the Foundation. Funds are used to award scholarships to deserving students in need, advances in technology, and professional development for students, faculty, and staff.

Donors may also give a gift to the annual fund for a specific department or program of choice. A restricted gift allows you to specify exactly what part of the Herkimer College community you want your donation to impact.

#### Memorial Donations

Memorial donations are a fitting way to honor the life of a deeply loved or respected individual. Donors can contribute to more than 90 established scholarship programs. Contributors gifting eligible amounts may also have the opportunity to start and name a new scholarship.

#### In-Kind Gifts

Donating items or equipment helps enrich our learning environment and enhance the student experience. In-kind gifts such as equipment, artistic or cultural items, educational tools, or anything else you feel would benefit the College are always appreciated as they contribute to the student experience.

# Planned Giving

Gift planning allows you to create a legacy and ensure your donations have a lasting impact on our institution and the lives of students and their families. We will work with your financial planner, consultant or accountant to develop a plan that favorably utilizes tax regulations to maximize your gift's impact on the College while minimizing its effect on your estate.

#### Become a Partner in Education

The Partners in Education program recognizes businesses, groups and private individuals who donate \$2,000 or more to the Herkimer County College Foundation. Our partners, through their annual support, receive special recognition throughout the year for their charitable donation.

### Sponsor an Event

The Foundation seeks corporate sponsors for fundraising events such as the Generals Open Golf Tournament and the Herkimer County Arts & Crafts Fair. Sponsorships are a great way for companies and organizations to connect with the community, and they provide valuable public relations opportunities. Sponsorships greater than \$2,000 qualify for recognition through our Partners in Education program.

#### Volunteer

By giving your time and talent, you help to advance the mission of the College and provide opportunities for local students. The Foundation welcomes volunteers to assist with fundraising events.

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#### ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTIONS: CLASS OF 2015

# Herkimer College inducted five individuals and one team into the Athletic Hall of Fame for making outstanding contributions to the institution through intercollegiate athletics.

**PEPE ARAGON '91**, head men's soccer coach for the Herkimer Generals, was inducted for his contributions as a student-athlete. Aragon played soccer for the Generals in 1989 and 1990 and served as team captain, and earned numerous awards including First Team NJCAA All-America, First Team NSCAA All East, NJCAA National All-Tournament Team and Herkimer College Male Athlete of the Year.

**P. J. HENRIQUES** was a member of the 1988 and 1989 men's nordic ski team and won every meet he competed in, with the exception of one second place finish. In 1988, Henriques was Herkimer's first national champion in the mDRen's Nordic 10K among 400 skiers.

**CHARLIE LAQUAY** was a technical assistant in the Athletic Department from 1989 to 2000. His duties included intramurals director, budget manager, equipment manager, supervisor of open gym and official clock operator and time keeper.

**SARAH LAZARUS '08** was a multi-sport athlete from 2005 to 2008, participating in cross country, track, basketball, lacrosse and indoor track. Lazarus' accomplishments included several track and field national championships. She currently holds the record for the cross country course at Herkimer College.

**PAUL WEHRUM** served as head men's lacrosse coach from 1980 through 2003 and began the women's lacrosse program in 2004. In 24 seasons coaching the men, Wehrum guided the Generals to a 403-62 record including three undefeated seasons, 21 consecutive Region III championships and eight national championships.

**THE 1988 MEN'S LACROSSE TEAM** was inducted for winning the men's lacrosse program's first ever national championship in 1988. Many members of the team went on to win a second national championship in 1989.





#### APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, RETIREMENTS

Herkimer County Community College recognized 24 faculty and staff members, at an employee recognition ceremony, for reaching milestones in service to the College.

#### 10 Years of Service:

AnneMarie Ambrose, Executive Director of Information Services

Peter Anadio Jr., Technical Assistant, Athletics

Vicki Brown, Director of Student Activities

Robert Culyer, Carpenter, Housing Corporation

Lynda Diehl, Financial Aid Assistant

Tiffany Dineen, Campus Peace Officer

Michelle List, Assistant Professor, Early Childhood

Jason Palkovic, Technical Assistant, Fitness Center

Blake Pitcher, Assistant Professor, Digital Graphics

Dr. Mark Polkosnik, Associate Professor, Paralegal

John Prokopienko, Textbook Manager, Bookstore

Jason Rathbun, Director of Residence Life

Rebecca Ruffing, Director of Public Relations

Teresa Shepard, Foundation Administrative Assistant

Kathleen Stables, Assistant Professor, Corrections

Williams Stagg, Network Technician, Information Services

Dianna Ste-Marie, Assistant Professor, Physical Education & Health

Daniel Thompsune, Assistant Professor,

English & Philosophy

#### 30 Years of Service:

Clare Burth, Senior Admissions Assistant

Mary Ann Carroll, Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs, Assessment and Institutional Effectiveness

Karen Evans, Professor, Business

#### 40 Years of Service:

Robert Schultz, Coordinator, Radio & Television

#### **Faculty Promotions:**

Assistant to Associate Professor: Monica Hack-Polkosnick, Crime Analysis

Associate Professor to Professor: Lisa Elwood-Farber, English

George Smith, Chemistry

Jane Verri, Social Science

Mary Ann Wrinn, Fine Arts

#### **Appointments:**

Ryan Cornish, Campus Peace Officer

Erin Craig, Dean of Enrollment Management

Anthony DeLuca, Men's & Women's Bowling Coach

Lawrence DiCesare, Employment Coach (part-time)

Denise Fulmer, Office Assistant I, Advisement Center

Mary Greene, Counselor (part-time)

Dennis Hoffman, Building Maintenance (part-time)

Joshua Lanza, Technical Assistant, Academic Support Center (part-time)

Joseph Lidano, Building Maintenance (part-time)

Matthew Marrotta, Academic Coach, Academic Support Center (part-time)

Kimberly Palmiter, Advisement Specialist (Transfer Services), Advisement Center

Joshua Parkinson, Advisement Specialist, Advisement Center

Rosario Pumilio, Building Maintenance (part-time)

Lisa Reile, Dance/Cheer Coach

Derek Stock, Building Maintenance Helper

Colleen VanVechten, Human Resources Associate (part-time)

#### **Retirements:**

Michael Berrie, Carpenter

Janet Ciccarelli, Professor, Business

Catherine Marrotta, Associate Professor, Business

Cheryl Netti, Assistant Controller

Roxanne Patterson, Assistant Registrar

Carl Stafford, Building Maintenance Helper

Colleen VanVechten, Human Resources Associate

#### **Emeriti:**

Janice Jenny, Professor Emeritus, Fashion effective September 1, 2015

Lorraine Siniscarco, Associate Professor Emeritus, Science effective September 1, 2016

Mary Greene, Professor Emeritus, Human Services/Social Science effective September 1, 2016

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#### **Introducing New Trustees**

MARK M. AINSWORTH, OD, of Herkimer, will serve a term to expire on June 30, 2022. Dr. Ainsworth is owner of Herkimer Eye Care Center and is a board member for the Village of Herkimer. He served as the Village of Herkimer mayor from 1999 to 2014 and Village of Herkimer trustee from 1996 to 1999. He holds a B.S. in Biology from St. John Fisher College and a Doctor of Optometry from Pennsylvania College of Optometry in Philadelphia, PA.

**JOAN PRYMAS**, of Ilion, was appointed for a term to expire on June 30, 2018. Ms. Prymas retired from Herkimer College in 2004 at the rank of professor, after more than 30 years teaching mathematics. She subsequently was awarded emeritus status. Ms. Prymas holds a B.A. in Mathematics Education, M.A. in Mathematics and M.S. in Educational Administration from SUNY Albany.

**ALISON EYRE ALBRIGHT,** of Old Forge, was appointed by the Herkimer County Legislature to the Board of Trustees for a term to expire on June 30, 2023. Ms. Albright is certified in Adolescent and Young Adulthood English Education by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, and holds an M.A. in Secondary English Education from SUNY Albany and a B.A. in English Literature from the University of Rochester. She taught high school English at Canandaigua Academy from September 1987 until her retirement in June 2015.

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**ENROLLMENT: FALL 2015** (including College Now) Total headcount 3,279 Full-time 53% Part-time 47% Gender Male 41% Female 59% Age 24 and under 80% Over 24 20% Residency 94% In-state

Out-of-state 3% International 3%

**On-Campus/Online/Concurrent Enrollment** Herkimer 49% 21% Internet Academy College Now 29% P-Tech 1%

Race/Ethnicity

American Indian or Alaska Native	0.5%
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Black or African American	10.3%
Hispanic/Latino	4.6%
Non-Resident Alien	3.4%
Two or More Races	0.8%
Unreported	1.1%
White	77.9%

#### 2015-16 Graduates

Degrees	468
Certificates	35

#### Faculty & Staff (Fall 2015)

ull-Time Faculty/Staff	191
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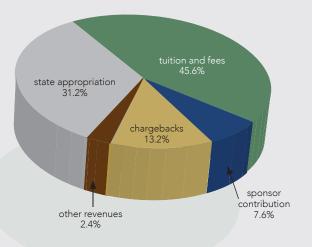
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Tuition and Fees \$ 9,723,170 State Appropriation \$ 6,641,982 Local Appropriation

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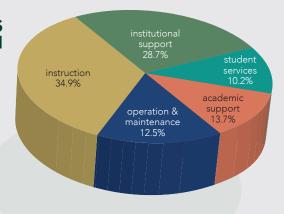
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TOTAL \$ 21,641,812



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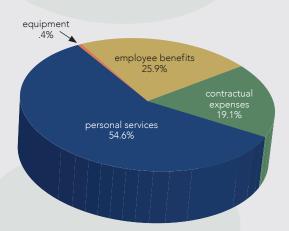
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# Coming Events | www.herkimer.edu/events

#### **Herkimer County Science Fair**

Saturday, February 11, 8 am-1 pm Gaynor Science Center, Johnson Hall

#### **President's Day Admissions Information Session**

Monday, February 20, 9 am-noon RMCC

#### **Herkimer College Night** with the Utica Comets

Friday, February 24, 7 pm

#### Open House

Saturday, March 25, 9 am-2 pm www.herkimer.edu/openhouse

#### Robert H. Wood Great Artists Series: **Turtle Island Quartet**

Friday, March 31, 7 pm Sarkus-Busch Theater www.herkimer.edu/greatartists

#### Admissions Information Session

Saturday, April 8, 9 am-noon RMCC

#### 50th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, April 29, 7 pm RMCC www.herkimer.edu/gala

#### Commencement

Friday, May 19, 5 pm Gymnasium www.herkimer.edu/commencement

#### 25th Anniversary **Generals Open Golf Tournament**

Monday, June 12, 10 am shotgun start Stonebridge Golf & Country Club