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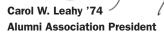
s we prepare to welcome the first class of Montgomery College Raptors to the Alumni Association during this academic year, our emblem now sports the purple, black, white, and silver of MC's new colors. Those of you, who joined our Facebook page (facebook.com/mcalumniassociation) this summer got an early peek at the new look, which will appear in our materials in the coming months.

We've also changed our address, joining the Montgomery College Foundation in offices on West Gude Drive in Rockville. Don't worry, mail sent to the College's address will still reach us. But we are encouraging everyone to help us save money on postage via e-mail communication. The less we spend on postage, the more we can spend on association programs and student scholarships, so please take a moment to make sure we have your current e-mail address.

The trend of change carries through the magazine, with stories of reinvention and rejuvenation among current and past students. From student veterans reinventing themselves as they return to civilian life, to an alumna who turned a weight-loss regimen into a physical fitness career, to new stargazing equipment and child-care opportunities on campus.

As we do each September, the Alumni Association's awards and scholarships chair introduces members of our governing board to our scholarship recipients. This year, we welcomed two recipients of our signature scholarship for children of alumni, as well as recipients of the College's oldest endowment, the Louis D. Bliss Memorial Scholarship for electrical engineering and computer science majors. I wonder what Professor Bliss would think today about the number of young women entering the engineering fieldtwo of whom are this year's Bliss Scholars!

By the time you read this, we will have held our third Mobile Masterpieces, a biennial event that gives ticket purchasers a chance to take home original artwork donated by the community. And we will have marked The Big Give, a one-day, online fundraiser sponsored by all of Maryland's community colleges. The proceeds from these and other efforts fund our scholarship programs, and they are just about as much fun as you can have while showing support for MC's students. If you haven't taken part in one of our programs yet, I hope you'll consider doing so in the year ahead. I will welcome your support, and our students will benefit in more ways than you will know.





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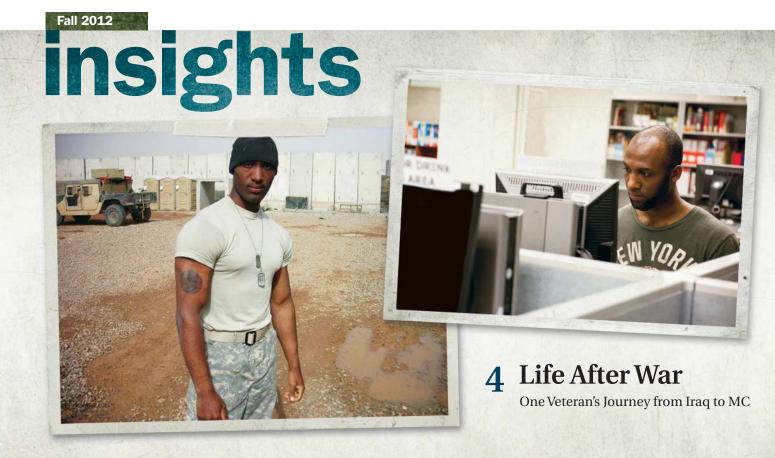
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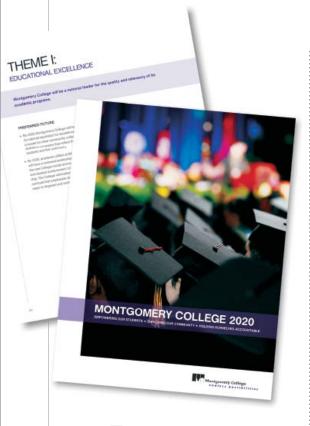
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About the Cover

Past, present, and future: the photo collage shows Kirk Broglin, combat veteran and student, amidst the opposing environments of Iraq and Takoma Park/Silver Spring. Broglin's relaxed clothing and demeanor also contrasts with the in-country soldier photo he provided us (shown above). Photo by Sanjay Suchak; collage design by Clint Wu.



MC 2020: The Five Point Plan

Montgomery College 2020 sets bold expectations of what our College will look like in eight years and what tangible steps the College will take to get there. This plan looks to the future with the highest aspirations and expectations for the College's students and employees. It marks the first strategic plan approved by the Board of Trustees, and it will guide the institution for the decade to come.

MC 2020 centers on five themes: (1) educational excellence: (2) access, affordability, and success; (3) economic development; (4) community engagement; and (5) assessment and institutional effectiveness.

Visit www.montgomerycollege.edu/ president for more on Montgomery College 2020.



New Entrepreneurship Program

The Hillman Family Foundation has donated \$600,000 to establish the Hillman Entrepreneurs Program at the Germantown Campus. This program will start in spring 2013 with courses, mentoring, and networking with local business leaders. Students will receive partial scholarships and books.

Graduates from the program will transfer to the University of Maryland, where they can take courses in entrepreneurship and earn a bachelor's degree.

"I have deep roots in Montgomery County, back to my days as a student at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School," says David Hillman, chief executive officer of Southern Management Corporation. "My family and I are pleased to support the community in this way and provide an opportunity for 30 Montgomery College students to pursue their educational and entrepreneurial dreams simultaneously."

The Hillman Family Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Southern Management Corporation, works to create entrepreneurial leaders in the communities in

SIFE Team Named Regional Champions

The Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) took home the regional championship title from the SIFE Baltimore Regional Competition. The College's SIFE team, led by presenters Rolima Byanjankar, Sarah Jankosky, Carmen Koffi, Brandon Quinones, Shannon Taruc, Zach Zimmerman, and presentation coordinator Andrew Ricchini, followed up their win by competing at the SIFE USA National Exposition held May 22-24. SIFE competitions allow students from two- and four-year colleges and universities to showcase the effect of their outreach projects, which are intended to improve the quality of life and standard of living for people in the campus, local, or global community.

SIFE



The College's SIFE team earned its sixth regional championship at the SIFE Baltimore Regional Competition.



The College Colors, They Are a-Changin'

The College is working to usher in the new era of purple, black, silver, and white colors at each campus sports venue. Gym floors are being painted, walls are being padded, and signage is being updated in the new colors. In addition, the athletic teams are sporting new MC uniforms this year. Be sure to stop by the gyms and playing fields to see the Raptors' new look.

A committee of students, athletes, faculty, staff, and alumni narrowed down the color and mascot name options that went to the entire College community for vote. The College is currently reviewing mascot designs, and a new mascot logo will be unveiled in spring 2013.

Park Wins Tennis Championship

Dykhyun Park won the NJCAA Division III tennis national championship earlier this year, beating top-seeded A.J. Moore from Gloucester County College, 6-2, 6-3.

Prior to the championship match, Park had a bye in the first round of the tournament, giving him an automatic advancement to the quarter finals, where he defeated Pasha Shapouri from Nassau Community College. In the semifinals, Park beat Michael Fallone from the Community College of Rhode Island.

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Jameelah Thalley.

Women's Track Sprints to

4x100 National Championship

Our women's track and field 4x100-meter

relay team is a national champion! The

team secured a 1st Team All-American

Congratulations to Turquoia Johnson,

Kapria Redparth, Charnay Ryland, and

Gold Medal with a time of 50.55 seconds.



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FINDING A NEW MISSION

nside the Humvee, Specialist Kirk Broglin gripped his M4 and waited. His squadron was performing a routine patrol in Zaganiyah, Iraq, when they spotted a suspicious white truck heading into town. Following protocol, the troops shouted, displayed their weapons overhead, and waited for a response. When they fired warning shots into the air, the truck halted. Broglin spotted two men: the driver and a gunner on the back with a makeshift machine gun.

"After sitting there for a few minutes," says Broglin, "the truck starts coming at us, shooting at us. I was terrified. I asked my lieutenant if we were allowed to shoot back."

Given the order, Broglin aimed directly at the driver and pulled the trigger as a multi-car chase ensued. Minutes later, Broglin watched the truck run into the side of a building. They pulled up to inspect: both men were dead. Searching the vehicle, they discovered guns, ammunition, and



A shoulder patch worn by all soldiers of the **United States Army** 82nd Airborne Division. Broglin survived in a company that lost 21 of its 150 men during Overall, more than a third

explosives. When he examined the bodies, Broglin wondered which, if any, of the shots were his. "I never wanted to be a killer," says Broglin. "I wanted a family and simplicity, above all."

Growing up in Gainesville, Florida, Broglin was one of 12 children, including four sets of twins. After 9/11, at age 23, he left two part-time jobs, at JC Penney and McDonald's, to enlist in the Army. He was the only member of his immediate family to sign up.

"I wanted to make my country proud, make my family proud," he says. After basic training, PFC Broglin matriculated advancement training: airborne, air assault, and ranger training as a member of the 5th Squadron, 73rd Cavalry Regiment's 82nd Airborne Division. In August 2006, Specialist Broglin flew overseas to Kuwait, the staging base for coalition forces in Iraq. For six months, the days were predictable

and the tour seemed manageable. In November, the heavily armed and highly mobile force moved into Iraq, toward the hostile central and southern regions. Their mission was to search, seize, and capture—insurgents and weapons—and to clear and secure areas for Iraqi civilians and US troops.

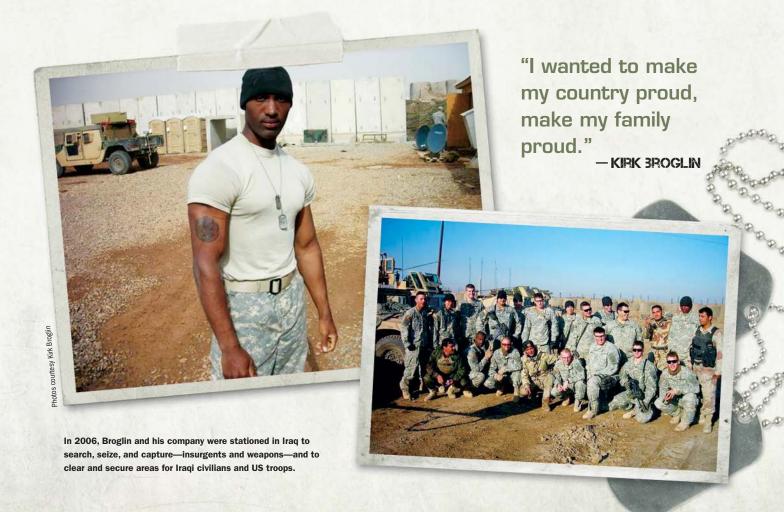
Broglin survived in a company that lost 21 of its 150 men during a four-month operation; overall, more than a third were wounded or killed in action. Sniper fire, ambush, improvised explosives, and firefight battles in Baqubah and Turki accounted for the unit's dramatic attrition.

Broglin is one of two million service men and women returning from the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. Like the veterans of World War II, they have had to reconnect to civilian life after combat experience. A majority are using their GI benefits to retrain or get a college degree. According

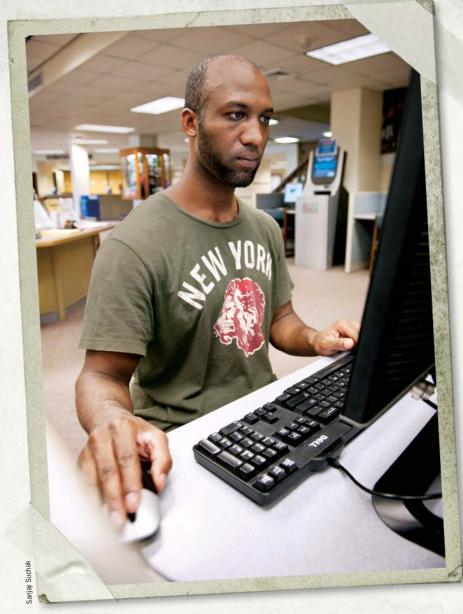
to the US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), nearly 38 percent of veterans using GI benefits attend community colleges.

"The majority had limited education before they entered the military," says VA vocational rehabilitation counselor Philip Zeidman '93, "especially those who enlisted right after high school. They know artillery, but they lack transferrable skills or education to obtain meaningful employment."

Zeidman meets with veterans initially to help them determine their interests and skills. When they find a corresponding educational or training program, he approves it, and they receive funding. Programs must be tied to jobs, and veterans must adhere to all requirements, like maintaining full-time student status and meeting completion deadlines. Afterward, VA placement specialists assist with resumes and employment searches. Zeidman



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Broglin is working toward an associate's degree in fer to Howard University social work or psychology. His goal is to counsel veter

> currently has 48 students, including Broglin, attending Montgomery College.

At MC, veterans represent a fraction of the 60,000 noncredit and credit student population. Veteran enrollment in credit classes has increased at all three campuses since August 2009, when the Post-9/11 GI Bill went into effect. The new bill increased funding for college expenses, including a stipend for living expenses for full-time students. By 2011, MC's contingent of veterans more than doubled from 422 veterans to nearly 900.

Nearly five years after combat, Kirk Broglin is working toward an associate's degree in mental health. Currently in his fourth semester, he plans to transfer to Howard University to complete a bachelor's in social work or psychology, and then earn a master's degree. His goal is to counsel veterans one on one.

Broglin feels well suited to counseling veterans; he knows the emotional and psychological toll that war takes on the spirit. After returning to Ft. Bragg in May 2007 (he was sent home early due to severe heat stroke) and separating from the military in 2008, he struggled to find work, pay rent, and maintain a positive outlook. Diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and depression, he became homeless in Fayetteville, North Carolina; many nights he slept in a dumpster.

One day in 2008, a political volunteer, Shirley McDougle, was trolling for voters and discovered Broglin. When she learned he was a homeless veteran, she insisted on driving him to the local VA office, where he could tap into his veteran benefits. He agreed to go.

Broglin credits Operation Homefront, a nonprofit organization that provides housing for veterans and their families transitioning out of the military, for bringing him to the DC area. Before finding his way to MC, he volunteered for nearly a year with a nonprofit

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organization, Return 2 Work, where he helped disabled veterans find employment.

Broglin still has nightmares. In his sleep, he talks to his fallen Army brothers: Anthony, Jason, Orlando, and Nuñez. Some days, he has trouble concentrating; he quits a conversation mid-sentence, then he quickly apologizes for the lapse. "With PTSD, you are constantly dealing with residuals... backsliding," he says.

Walking through the Takoma Park/ Silver Spring Campus in jeans and a worn T-shirt, the tall, muscular Broglin slips easily into step with other students. At 32, he is almost twice the age of most English 101 classmates, but at community college, he is not an anomaly; the average MC student is 26. But Broglin likes to introduce himself as the grandfather of the class, which always gets a laugh.

"Veterans bring a really interesting perspective to the classroom," says

English professor Victoria Baldassano, who met Broglin last spring in her English 101 course. "Kirk played a really strong leadership role by giving his opinion in a constructive way.

"While many [veterans] have challenges resulting from their military service physical injuries or PTSD like Kirk—they bring with them incredible discipline," says Baldassano. "They are focused, able to respond well, and are outspoken in class. They initiate conversations for the younger students who aren't always used to participating."

Despite near-constant fatigue from prescriptions and lack of sleep, Broglin completed three accelerated courses last summer term, a difficult feat for any student. Nearing burnout, he opted for a lighter course load for fall, which includes a health course, swimming, and weight training and conditioning.

"I am taking these courses to revitalize myself," says Broglin, "and to gain knowledge I can carry with me for the rest of my life. It is very therapeutic for my PTSD and depression, helping me feel better through activity, better eating, and healthier lifestyle changes."

This is Broglin's second attempt at college; first time around, in 2010, he dropped out at mid-terms in the first semester. In general, stopping-and-starting, or dropping out altogether, is not unusual for student veterans. Department of Veterans Affairs data tracked enrollment of student veterans using GI benefits for education: the average veteran attends college for less than half of their entitlement; only six percent use up the full education and training benefits.

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College Planetarium and Observatory Attract Students and Star Gazers

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— Carrie Fitzgerald, Astronomy Professor they fit into the bigger universe," said Dr. Harold Williams, when asked why his Introduction to Astronomy class fills every semester and why thousands of Washington area residents visit the planetarium on the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus. Williams's Rockville Campus counterpart, Dr. Carrie Fitzgerald, also teaches to capacity crowds every semester and welcomes guests at monthly open house.

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terpart, Dr. Carrie Fitzgerald, also teaches to capacity crowds every semester and welcomes guests at monthly open house events at a new observatory. As she explains it, "Astronomy is a great 'gateway drug' to subjects like physics, engineering, and even mathematics."

Budding scientists, amateur astronomers, and students who need a lab science for transfer annually turn to Montgomery College's vast resources for teaching astronomy. This includes the only planetarium

in the Washington area at which students can take a class, as well as a brand-new observatory boasting two, 14-inch telescopes on a rolling roof structure and piers for three more. Moreover, students at the Science Center on the Rockville Campus can observe what the telescopes are doing via smart stations in the classrooms.

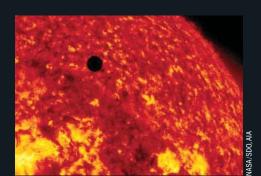
"For a two-year college, we have some very sophisticated equipment," said Fitzgerald, who earned a PhD at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She began teaching here shortly before the 2010 opening of the innovative, science laboratory facility. Fitzgerald enjoys teaching a diverse group of students in the classroom, and she shares that passion for teaching at public nights for astronomy enthusiasts. "We hosted nearly 150 people at the transit of Venus event in June," she said. When a cloudy forecast

threatened to cancel the event, Fitzgerald enlisted the help of the College's IT department to set up a web feed of the event in the campus's Theatre Arts Building.

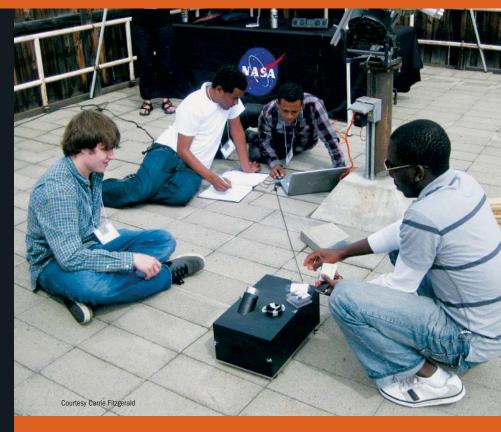
Fitzgerald's resourcefulness—and her teaching prowess—really shined last spring when she mentored a group of students competing in the National Student Solar Spectrograph Competition in Bozeman, Mont. Fitzgerald and her husband, Ryan, an adjunct professor and a scientist at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, also traveled with the team, whose first-ever entry earned them an award in the Science Observations category. Group member Mike Satinu, now a student at Rose-Hulman Institute in Indiana, said "Dr. Carrie kept the group organized and encouraged us to keep monthly reports, while Dr. Ryan gave us hints to approach and to solve the problem."

Equally devoted to teaching, Williams, director of the planetarium for more than 23 years, hosts all comers, from hundreds of school-aged children to senior citizens. With adjunct faculty status, the PhD from Louisiana State University also teaches one class a semester and often one online section.

Drs. Williams and Fitzgerald believe the College's astronomy facilities rival those at four-year schools. "We encourage the public to participate in our events. We want them to see what great opportunities are right in their backyards," said Fitzgerald, who hopes parti-cipants in the free events will encourage relatives, friends, and neighbors to take a class. Perhaps Williams captured the sentiment best: "I wholeheartedly believe in putting the 'community' in community college."



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At the National Student Solar Spectrograph Competition, Montgomery College engineering and physics students impressed judges and won the Science Observations award.

Rising Stars Win Award in Spectrograph Competition

n their first-ever bid, a group of engineering and physics students won the Science Observations award at the National Student Solar Spectrograph Competition in Bozeman, Montana, earlier this year.

Over the course of several months, team members Michael Satinu, Lampougin Yenkoidiok Douti, Yoseph Feseha, and John Silk designed and built a solar spectrograph (a machine that analyzes starlight by wavelength). As part of the competition, the team analyzed light pollution, demonstrating the capabilities of the spectrograph.

Although the Montana Space Grant Consortium furnished the team with \$2,000 for building materials, they received a generous boost from the Montgomery College Foundation to cover travel, lodging, and food expenses. Team mentors Drs. Carrie and Ryan Fitzgerald also attended the three-day competition.

In the competition dominated by four-year schools, the Montgomery College team impressed judges with their professionalism and knowledge. "The four-year schools initially intimidated the guys," said Fitzgerald. "But when they realized they could compete on the same level, they nailed it."

For their efforts, each student earned a \$3,000 scholarship and an invitation to a NASA IRIS launch in December 2012.

—Jill Fitzgerald

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Sculptor's Art Took Root at Montgomery College

alya Luttwak's life has been a journey of pulling up and putting down roots. As World War II started its sweep across Europe, Luttwak's parents escaped Czechoslovakia and replanted themselves in Israel.

She studied art history at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and then metal art at Montgomery College. Professor Komelia Okim mentored her from 1976 through 1980.

"I learned from Komelia to work meticulously and never, never compromise on design," says Luttwak. "I carried this with me when my jewelry and hollowware grew into large sculptures. I am forever thankful to Komelia for being a demanding teacher."

Today, Luttwak's large metal root sculptures are featured in an outdoor installation at the Kreeger Museum in Washington, DC. The exhibit, "When Nature Takes Over," runs through July 2013.

Luttwak, who lives and works in Chevy Chase, says that when the Kreeger selected her to create a site-specific

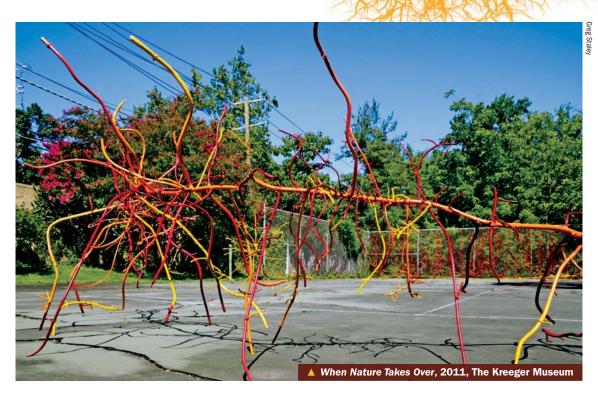
sculpture on its grounds, she was immediately drawn to the tennis court. The court, surrounded by five-and-ahalf acres and an exquisite building designed by architect Phillip Johnson, exemplified the Kreeger's former lifestyle until the museum opened in 1994.

Throughout years of non-use, the floor cracked, the poles for the net rusted, and roots and vines of ivy, wisteria, and honeysuckle slowly covered the metal fence. The gardeners over time tried to get rid of those weeds but to no avail—they grew into the fence and could not be separated. This situation offered Luttwak the opportunity to take advantage of the "broken roots" of the tennis court.

"My intention is to give importance, with my installation, to these remnants of roots and vines that could not be removed, by painting them bright red and adding some painted steel 'roots' sculptures. I concentrated my attention on what there was and was no longer there-When Nature Takes Over." ■

PUTTING DOWN ROOTS

uttwak has exhibited in dozens of museums and galleries around the world and across the nation. A solo exhibition of her work will be on display this year at the Museo Guttuso in Sicily, Italy. Closer to home, you can view her metal roots snaking up the entranceway at VisArts on Gibbs Street in Rockville Town Square, and on the steps of the Jewish Community Center on 16th Street, NW, in Washington, DC.





FOR A NEW BY TINA KRAMER

ulie Mathis's inner athlete was struggling to get out. The former high school athlete took a full load of physical education courses at Messiah College in Grantham, Pa., back in the early 90s. But when it came time to think about a major, Mathis chose computer applications, for which she received an associate's degree from Montgomery

She worked in the computer field until 1999, but left to start a new career: stay-athome mom, giving birth to three children over three years.

College in 1994.

Over the years, the weight started piling up. Three years ago, she hit rock bottom.

"I had ballooned up to 375 pounds and was severely depressed," says Mathis.

"But, I started walking, I walked all around Germantown doing errands. It was painful and I hated it, but I didn't know what else to do. The pounds started melting away. It was very healing to me."

As the weight disappeared, Mathis's confidence grew. Regular walking turned into a desire to race. Racing turned into a desire for more racing.

"I was typically the largest person at the start line," she says. "But I didn't care if I came in dead last. My only concern was to complete the race and, hopefully, improve upon my last performance."

5K races turned into 10Ks; ultimately Mathis completed a half-marathon in 2010.

Bolstered by a newfound confidence, she decided to pursue her original dream: a career in the fitness field.

"Three years ago, I never would have dreamed that I would be taking classes at Montgomery College and working towards a new career," says Mathis. "Returning to college seemed like such a daunting endeavor.

"But all of those races and all of that training have shown me that goals are achievable when you put in the work. I would never have been able to complete a half-marathon if I hadn't trained for it, but I set my sights on that goal and laid out a plan and executed that plan. I have the medal to prove it."

Mathis says that returning to school was no different. "In pursuing a new career, the same principles apply," Mathis says. "I am devising a plan and laying the groundwork to achieve my goals, both professionally and personally. I am taking steps to ensure that physical fitness and healthy life changes are integrated as a regular part of my daily life by making it my career."

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For Julie Mathis, a healthy lifestyle is a journey, not a destination. Here, she shares a few tips that have been helpful to her along the way.

- 1. Make yourself a priority.
- 2. Schedule workout appointments for yourself and make those appointments nonnegotiable.
- 3. Know your daily calorie limits, plan your meals and snacks in advance to fit within those limits, and have your ingredients ready and on hand to avoid last-minute cheating or eating out.
- 4. Keep your daily meal plan posted in the kitchen to stay on track.
- Eat clean. Consume foods that are closest to their natural form.
- **6. Avoid processed foods**. When buying from the store, choose foods with minimal ingredients that you can actually understand and pronounce.
- 7. Get—and stay—moving! Exercise most days of the week at moderate intensity for 60 minutes (include cardiovascular exercise and weight lifting).
- 8. Make exercise and healthy eating social by sharing those experiences with friends.
- 9. Practice deep breathing when stressed or anxious.
- 10. Schedule a rest day.

ADDICTED TO EXERCISE

You'd never know that theater publicist Angie Lockhart, the lithe young woman working behind the scenes at the College's Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center, weighed 100 pounds more back in 2002.

A self-described "workout junkie," Lockhart now devotes two times a day to weight lifting, spinning classes, pumping the ellipticals, and running.

"Ten years ago," says Lockhart, "I was the plus-size girl in the family photos, three times the size of my sisters." Encouraged by her mother, who had recently lost 10 pounds with Weight Watchers, and mindful of a family history of heart disease, she started making small changes in

She joined the weight loss group and the pounds slowly dropped off. She borrowed exercise tapes from her mother, working out 20 minutes, then 35 minutes a day. To mix it up, she added an outdoor walking regimen. "Rain or shine, I was out there," says Lockhart.

Walking turned into running. And running turned into competing. She woke up on

October 22, 2010, after her 38th birthday and ran her first race, a low-key 10K with the Montgomery County Road Runners. She trained with the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Team in Training for the 2011 SunTrust Blue Cross/Blue Shield Half Marathon, in addition to four other races in one year. With Team In Training (TNT), she raised nearly \$3,000 in pledges for LLS in honor of a beloved aunt who passed away in 2009 from non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

"We couldn't save my aunt, but we can save somebody else," says Lockhart.

At TNT's request, Lockhart mentored new participants. "I've never been a leader of anything. I've never directed people," says Lockhart. "But I threw my entire being into this and helped other people reach their goals."

With TNT, she ran the punishing Marine Corps Marathon last October. "I hurt my left leg halfway through, but I was determined to finish

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and I did," says Lockhart. "I was on top of the world."



Lockhart participated in the St. Patrick's Day 8K race in Washington, DC-an annual race that marks the beginning of the running season.



From left to right, Dr. Joshua Starr, superintendent of Montgomery County Public Schools, Dr. DeRionne Pollard, president of Montgomery College, and Dr. Stewart Edelstein, executive director of The Universities at Shady Grove (USG) launch the Achieving Collegiate Excellence and Success (ACES) program.

New Partnerships for County Students

The College announced two new partnerships aimed at meeting college completion goals and nursing shortages.

Montgomery County Public Schools, Montgomery College, and the Universities at Shady Grove announced a new partnership for county students. The Achieving Collegiate Excellence and Success (ACES) program will create a seamless educational pathway from high school to college completion; it will assist thousands of underrepresented students, including African American, Hispanic, low income, or first generation college students.

MC and the University
School of Nursing recieved a two-MC and the University of Maryland year Nurse Support Program II grant through the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission and the Maryland Higher Education Commission. The funds support efforts to create a smooth transition between an associate's degree and a bachelor of science in nursing. Courses will be offered at the Universities at Shady Grove. Both independent nursing school programs will share resources and increase the number of bedside nursing candidates



Bridging the Gaps



The National Endowment for the Humanities Challenge Grant for Two-Year Colleges awarded the College \$490,000, as part of its Bridging Cultures initiative. The funds will launch an Institute for Global Humanities Initiatives and a series of related international education programming. Through individual, corporate and foundation gifts over the next six years, the College will match funds two-to-one up to \$1.49 million.



The National Science Foundation awarded \$600,000 as funding for students and veterans majoring in science,

technology, engineering, and mathematics. The grant was announced by US senators Ben Cardin and Barbara Mikulski, and US Representative Chris Van Hollen. It will provide 125 scholarships, and help meet local industry and government agency demand for skilled biotechnology and life science employees.







Pursuing her dream of a career in the fitness field, Mathis passed the exam administered by the American Council on Exercise to become a certified personal trainer; she was hired in 2011 by the Rockville Jewish Community Center as a personal trainer in the fitness center.

A NEW CAREER

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At MC, Mathis signed up for Strength Training and Conditioning to improve her physical strength and show her two boys that their mom was strong. She chose Nutrition for Fitness and Wellness to improve her diet and learn how to fuel her workouts for optimal performance. She took Principles and Practices of Health Fitness so that she could learn how to put it all together and devise exercise programs for herself and others.

Mathis gives a special call-out to Professor Jack Curling, who teaches strength training. "I appreciated his guidance and encouragement."

"College was a strange world to me," she continues. "I was in classes with athletes. But I stopped caring what people thought of me." She pulled grades of As in her classes, all the while juggling three children and part-time employment at Shady Grove Adventist Hospital.

At the conclusion of her fitness courses, she passed the exam administered by the American Council on Exercise (ACE) to become a certified personal trainer.

With her ACE credentials in hand, Mathis was hired in 2011 by the Rockville Jewish Community Center as a personal trainer in the fitness center. Her supervisor was impressed by Mathis's personal story

and believed she could be an inspiration to members.

In addition to working one on one with her fitness clients, Mathis heads up "J" Walkers, an eight-week program she created to get people off the couch and complete a 5K race. She also works with a young woman who has autism and seizure disorder. "Two of my boys have special needs, so it is important for me to help her reclaim a part of herself, since I'm all about reclaiming lives,"

"I've done this in front of my kids. I'm such a better mom. I'm able to teach them about an active lifestyle. And they're my number one fans." ■

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LIFE AFTER WAR

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"Military undergraduates can find it difficult to finance their education, manage time constraints, transition from military life to student life, and overcome bureaucratic obstacles," stated the American Council on Education in its 2008 report, Higher Education: What the New GI Bill May Mean for Postsecondary Institutions.

As students, some vets apply military discipline to their educational pursuits; others drop out without telling anyone what went wrong.

"Veterans are reluctant to ask for things," says VA nurse and case manager Carol Lukaczer. "This is a group of people who have already succeeded and have done great things. They are not interested in people's pity or charity."

Lukaczer helps veterans reintegrate into the community via Pathways to Housing, formerly called HUD Housing. In 2008, the VA partnered with HUD, and began funding vouchers for veterans who struggle with chronic homelessness. Though 1,500 names fill a perpetual list in Montgomery County, they only provide 200 vouchers per year. She began working with Broglin a year ago.

"Kirk is extraordinary," she says. "His adversities are many, but-like a lot of veterans—his strongest attribute is his heart for service. That is the core of his being."

Broglin hopes his successes will light the way for others, and show what combat vet-

erans are capable of when given a chance. In addition to numerous nonprofit organizations, counselors, doctors, and family, he credits his faith in God, support from his friend, Rahel, and Skype chats with his young son, who lives with his active-duty mother in Korea, for his progress forward. Being able to accept help has been difficult but necessary.

Success for the long haul, he knows, lies in keeping an open mind and letting go of past mistakes.

"I once heard it said that a wise man learns from his mistakes, but a wiser man learns from other people's mistakes," says Broglin. "My experiences have elevated me to another level, and now I can help other people." ■



"Like most of my friends, I liked serving my country...but there is so much more I can do."

- JACK LAUTIERS '11

PERSONAL INVESTMENT

avy veteran Jack Lauters '11 enlisted right out of high school, before his 18th birthday. He spent his early adulthood operating nuclearpowered machinery on submarines. He served for seven years and then retired. As a first-time college student at 28, he intended to reinvent himself during his time on campus.

"Like most of my friends, I liked serving my country...but there is so much more I can do."

Accustomed to working 12-hour shifts/7 days a week, Lauters applied that same work ethic to college life and accrued 60 credits at MC between 2009 and 2011. He transferred to the University of Maryland University College with a transfer scholarship; he is saving his GI benefits for graduate school expenses.

"The beautiful thing about the GI bill is it lets us go in a completely different career path," he says. Lauters first enrolled in a nursing program, and then switched to finance. Since

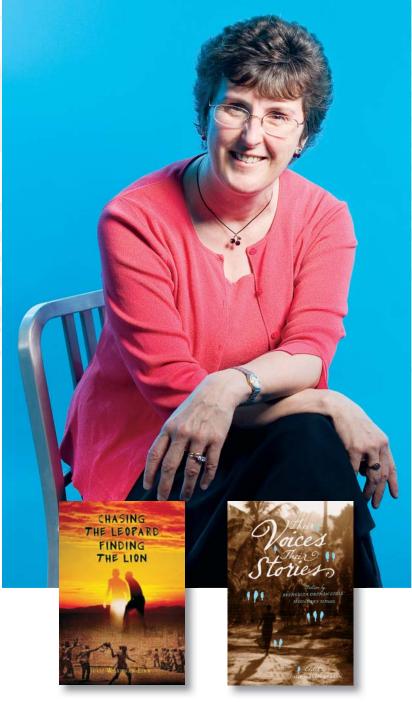
relocating to San Diego with his active-duty Air Force wife, he is continuing toward a bachelor's degree via online courses. With the couple's first child due on Veteran's Day, the stay-at-home dad will take full advantage of the online format's flexibility.

Lauters was among several veterans featured in the documentary, "In Their Own Voices, Veteran Students at Montgomery College," produced by Professor Esther Schwartz-McKinzie and directed by Army veteran and MC alumni Imani Muleyyar. The film features a handful of student veterans sharing pitfalls and misperceptions that make their transition to college difficult.

While sharing messages like "we're not all broken," and "we're not all GI Jane," and "be patient with us," they exude a quiet pride in their service and in themselves. One message they rarely mind is this: thank you. And this: welcome home.

View "In Their Own Voices, Veteran Students at Montgomery College" on YouTube at www.youtube.com/watch?v=bXlel20tpSA.

My Year in Tanzania



A finalist for the Bellwether Prize, Chasing the Leopard Finding the Lion*, follows the friendship between two young men, one white, one black as they journey toward adulthood.

Their Voices. Their Stories* features entries by 13 students at the Bethsaida Orphan Girls' school in Tanzania, where nearly 130 girls reside. All proceeds from book sales benefit the orphanage.

*Both books are available at a discount in the MC Bookstore on the Rockville Campus. 240-567-5302

onderful or terrible, there is never ever an ordinary boring day in Tanzania. Extraordinary beauty of flora, fauna, and the Swahili language inundated my senses. In the ocean air, everything rusts, roads crumble, rains flood. "Kiswahili Time" means 'whenever, but certainly not now.' Tanzanians are unflappably polite no matter what is happening—good or bad.

An amazing opportunity during my sabbatical reinforced my triple role as writer, editor, and teacher. Last spring, I volunteered at the Bethsaida Orphan Girls' Secondary School. From my first moment in the classroom with no electricity and an ancient blackboard, when the girls stood and chanted, "Welcome, Professor," I knew this was going to be a unique experience.

Unlike my American and international students, these girls listened to every word I spoke but were too shy to answer any questions. I cajoled them to volunteer.

My outgoing and interactive style and their quiet classroom were not a perfect fit at first. By week two, I teased them, calling them my "quiet doves." The metaphor gave them confidence, or they got used to me, and they started to chat.

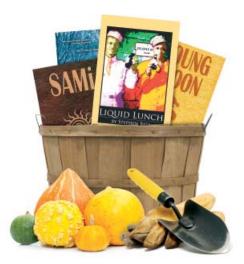
After a four-week creative writing course, their stories so impressed me that I worked with the girls to produce a beautiful anthology of their work. The completed book, *Their Voices*. Their Stories, is now a fundraiser for their school. I was lucky enough to find an angel or patron, a local commercial bank, to pay for the printing and publication so all proceeds could benefit

My year of writing was very productive. I recorded oddities of Tanzanian life in journals. in e-mails, and in a list that now runs to 10 pages. I've had four stories accepted by literary magazines and I saw my first novel, Chasing the Leopard Finding the Lion, published in April.

While teaching at the Bethsaida school was an incredible experience, I missed teaching at our very urban, very international campus; editing the Potomac Review, and making new writer friends. So, while I look forward to revisiting Africa in another five years or so, I am glad to be back at my teaching home.

Professor Wakeman-Linn's stories have appeared in JMWW, Rosebud, Grey Sparrow Review, Santa Clara Review, Danse Macabre, and other journals. She blogs at Gecko Tails, and her website is www.juliewakemanlinn .com. She has taught English at MC for more than 15 years.

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Fall for the Book

Take a wild ride from the inner solar system to Africa and Lebanon, from the blues alleys of Appalachia to the back alleys of Thailand. There's something for everyone on our fall reading list, culled from recently published books by MC authors. Find them all at www.amazon.com.



The Moon Lighting

English Professor Adele (Steiner) Brown's compact poetry collection garners rave reviews from award-winning Maryland author Marie Pavlicek-Wehrli: "Like the softened edge of a lit moon, Adele Steiner's poems reflect back the poet's sense of mystery and connection found in the world that surrounds her, from her own circle of family and friends, to the larger sphere... she makes visible the intricacies of feeling and thought that exist below the surface of experience.... These are poems that mark the passage of time as seen through an eye and heart that is always vigilant, ever moonlighting, day and night."

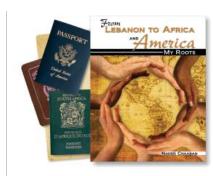


Young Moon Sami

From the inventive mind of Harry St. Ours, professor of communication arts technologies and an Apple Distinguished Educator, comes Water Worlds. This science fiction series is about the terraforming of the Inner Solar System, as seen through the eyes of generations of young women. The first book in the series, Young Moon, follows a talented and extraordinary girl as she lives through a world-shaking disaster. In the second book, *Sami*, a young woman seeks answers to the voices she hears, and discovers mysteries that span planets. Book three in the series, Gen, will be released this fall.

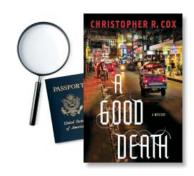


Grab your harmonica and dive into this collection of blues-inspired poetry influenced by the landscape and people of Eastern North Carolina and Washington, DC. This debut volume of poetry, written by English Professor Stephen Bess, celebrates childhood memories, Southern culture, and African American vernacular. Author and cultural critic Stephen Earley Jordan II praises *Liquid Lunch* as "serious, humorous, and entertainingly completed with musicality.... captures black South and, like the blues, represents how black Americans make the best out of uncomfortable situations. A definite must-read book."



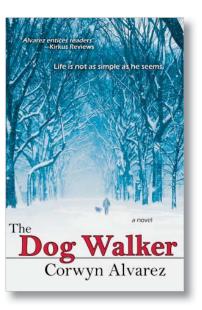
From Lebanon to Africa **And America**

Dr. Nader Chaaban, coordinator of speech communication, knows firsthand the unique challenges faced by his international students in adapting to the American system of education. Here, he explores his remarkable journey to the United States. Along the way, he examines the aftermath of 9/11 on the Middle Eastern community, especially Muslims, and how he works to explode negative stereotypes based on race and religion. An inspirational story of how one man achieved the highest level of education and the American Dream.



A Good Death

This nail-biting debut mystery by Christopher Cox '75, an award-winning journalist with decades of experience reporting on Southeast Asia, plunges you into the seamy side streets of Bangkok and across the violent Lao mountains. Downon-his-luck Boston private investigator Sebastian Damon snags an intriguing case: unraveling the death of Linda Watts, a beautiful, talented Lao immigrant with a promising career who turns up dead in a cheap Bangkok guesthouse. Her death seems like a straight-forward overdose to the Thai authorities, but her insurance company isn't buying it.



Alumni Author Credits MC Profs for Inspiration

Alumnus Corwyn Alvarez '87 credits two literary muses who helped him, both directly and indirectly, write The Dog Walker.

Alvarez reports, "MC Professor Elizabeth Huerto read my manuscript and made some helpful suggestions. She in turn referred me to Richard Peabody, eminent local author/poet who read the manuscript and made me rewrite it into the third person.

"However... the most influential professor I have ever had and who lit the fire in my belly that made me want to write [The Dog Walker] was Dr. Gary Pittenger, who has long since retired."

"I sat in Dr. Pittenger's American lit classes and listened to him pontificate about the virtues of Melville, Hawthorn, Emerson, and Poe.... he was a fascinating and inspiring lecturer who made writing seem like the noblest of callings."

The Dog Walker is the story of Benny, a true guardian angel. Mentally challenged and a benign observer, he lives with his long-suffering mother in the quirky, yet charming, town of Mayfield. Benny is qualified for only one job: walking dogs. At that task, he is without peer. But Benny is more than a simple friend to the town's canines; he brings the same guileless compassion to the people around him. Sweet and honest, offering poignant loyalty, he changes their lives.



Darrell Ost, Bliss '48, celebrated his 100th birthday in March.

1960s

Michael A. Day '65 is looking to reconnect with SGA Officers from 1964-1965.

1970s

While on a magazine assignment, **Christopher R. Cox '75**, traveled to Ban Lorcha, a village in Chiang Rai Province in northern Thailand. Cox is pictured with a member of the Akha hill tribe, an ethnic group famed for the elaborate headgear of its women. (See also p.18.)



Patton Electronics, owned and operated by the Patton Brothers—Bruce '75, Ben '77, **Barry '79, Bobby '83, and Burt '85**, has

been recognized by Montgomery Economic Development for its successful production of network access and connectivity products. The five brothers were awarded the Milton F. Clogg Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award in 2010.

1980s



Kimberly D.R. DuVall '81 is a psychology professor at James Madison University. In 2009, she was honored by her students as the number-one university instructor

in the nation; and she was chosen as #23 by Rate My Professors.com. In 2012, she was chosen along with other JMU professors to be highlighted in The Princeton Review's Best 300 Professors.

Ann Prentice Wagner '82 accepted a position at the Arkansas Arts Center as curator of drawings.

Wayson Lee '86 teaches comedy hypnosis at the University of Alabama.

Paola Bartolotti-Van Loon '87 earned a BA in psychology through the University of Maryland's European campuses on NATO bases, and an MA in literary translation from the University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK. She also holds a diploma in translation from the Chartered Institute of Linguistics (UK). Currently, she is working as a freelance translator/editor/proofreader and an online teacher for City University London. In 2006, she co-authored a novel, Echoes from the *Edge*. She writes:

"I still remember fondly those short but intense terms at the leafy Takoma Park Campus, where the aroma of fresh donuts wafted in from a nearby bakery. I then lived just off First Avenue, Silver Spring, and was a young Air Force wife with a husband working at the Pentagon. That was my first experience with life in the US. I especially remember Ms. Margeret Miller at the typing lab, and Ms. Williams and Ms. Catherine Scott, who taught in my program (executive secretary), and so many other fun and personable teachers."

1990s

Susan L. Pender '91 writes from Delaware: "Thanks to Montgomery College, Rockville Campus, and its great teachers for giving me a great start! I am in the career of my choosing, which I truly love, and I am much indebted to the folks at MC for their help and dedication."

Dorothea N. Dudek-Creaven '93 has a BA in general studies from the University of Maryland and a master's certificate as a publication specialist from George Washington University.



Anderson '96 a former minor league baseball player and actor is actively pursuing

Michael D.

Christian ministry, reaching out to urban youth and showing them positive

alternatives to street life.

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On a whim, **Patrick Ymele-Leki '01** answered an online ad for a Harvard fellowship. He was taking a break from preparing to defend his PhD thesis in chemical and biomechanical engineering at UMBC.

"I am a risk-taker," says the goodnatured Ymele-Leki, 35, who traveled to the United States to relax after two years at university in France. During his extended stay, he registered for ESL and EN104 courses at MC to improve his English. From there, he just kept going until he had completed an AS in chemical engineering from MC, a BS in the same discipline, plus a PhD in chemical and biomechanical engineering from UMBC.

Along the way, Ymele-Leki won numerous honors and awards, including a Paul Peck Humanities Internship Award, a United States Achievement Academy National Award, an American Institute of Chemical Engineers Award, a UMBC Alumni Outstanding Student Award, and a Grosvenor Inc. Graduate Fellowship.

Ymele-Leki won the coveted position at Harvard; he moved to Boston for a three-year stint as a research fellow in pediatrics at Boston Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Last July, he returned to the Washington region for a faculty position at Howard University.

Now, Ymele-Leki splits his time between teaching junior-level chemistry courses and putting together a bioengineering lab and undergraduate research program.

Ymele-Leki lives with his wife in Silver Spring, Md.

2000s

Martin (Marty) Cornish '06 is the CEO of EasyPaint, an online platform for painters and their customers, as well as president of Round Trip Sports, a new 9,000-square-foot sports training facility in Gaithersburg.

Courtney Anne Fraser '08 earned a BA in sociology from Hood College in May.

2010s

Samantha Cameron '12 is currently attending St. Mary's College of Maryland. She was recently chosen as a finalist in the Norman Mailer Award for Community College Fiction. Her entry was a project completed during the time she was

enrolled in the Montgomery Scholars honors program.

Viviane Hembrock '12 has been accepted into the Robert H. Smith Business School at the University of Maryland, College Park, where she will pursue a bachelor's degree in supply chain management.

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Charles E. Forsythe

In Memoriam

September 12, 2012

He was a professor in the Visual Communications Department at Rockville and worked at Montgomery College from September 1971 until his retirement in July 1993.

George Tretter '87

September 10, 2012

James W. Robb '49

September 2, 2012

Dr. Steve Lietz

August 31, 2012

He served as department chairperson of counseling at Rockville and interim dean of students at the Germantown Campus.



Vince Pugliese '52 July 28, 2012

He was a inducted into the Montgomery College Athletic Hall of Fame, having taken a boxing championship and leading the football

and basketball teams while at MC. He later taught at Montgomery Blair and Rockville high schools.

Katherine Ann Hoffman '68

July 1, 2012

John R. Clugston, Bliss '49 June 28, 2012

Leroy Harris

May 20, 2012

He was a retired general maintenance worker on the Rockville Campus.

Carl E. Holmes '52

March 31, 2012

Deborah Peabody '74

March 8, 2012

Ruth Fawcett Hall '90

November 30, 2011

Joyce E. Phillips '74

October 4, 2011

Jan C. Caveney '70

January 27, 2011

Karen Schwartz '87

December 29, 2010

Notices listed in Insights are published as obituary information is received.

History Books

It's not unusual to hear that graduates of the Bliss Electrical School kept their textbooks and manuals close at hand throughout their careers. It shows both the preparedness the Bliss School gave

them for work in various fields requiring knowledge of electricity, and the reliability of information the school's founder, Louis D. Bliss, packed into his signature two-volume text, *Theoretical and Practical Electrical Engineering*.

One Bliss student kept two sets of the book: Perry Crabill '39—make that '39,'45. In his second stint, during World War II, he finished at the top in a three-month Navy class of Primary Radio School technicians, for which he was awarded a set of fifth-

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edition textbooks inscribed by Professor Bliss himself.

"They represent a later edition than the books I studied during my attendance at Bliss as a civilian during the 1938–1939 school year," Crabill writes.

Crabill donated his award volumes to the College, where they will join the collection of Bliss School memorabilia. The School merged into Montgomery College in 1950, upon Professor Bliss's retirement, and became MC's original campus, now known as Takoma Park/Silver Spring.

Professor Bliss's memory lives on in the Bliss Memorial Scholarship. This fall, five students shared the Bliss Scholarship, including—for the first time in the scholarship's history—two women majoring in electrical engineering.

—John Libby

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THEN...

Montgomery College's athletics program sported different colors for the three campuses: green at Germantown; red at Rockville; and blue at Takoma Park/Silver Spring. Throughout the more than 65-year history, the College has celebrated team and individual championships on all three campuses in both Maryland Junior College Athletic Conference (MD JUCO)—and in National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) play.



...AND NOW

Following a new NJCAA rule requiring schools with multiple campuses to field only one team per sport, the College consolidated its athletics program. A committee of students, athletes, faculty, staff, and alumni put a series of color combinations to the College community for voting, and purple, silver, black, and white were chosen for all teams.

Events Calendar

For the complete listing of events at the Cultural Arts Center (CAC), the Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center (R-PAC), and other campus locations, visit www.montgomerycollege.edu.

Theatre

Seussical. The Cat in the Hat is your wacky host in this romp through the Seuss classics. For ages 4 and up. January 26, 2013. R-PAC.

Once on This Island. Little Mermaid legend reimagined with a Caribbean twist in this Calypso-inspired musical. February 27-March 3, 2013. R-PAC.

Music

Darlene Love: The Sound of Love.

2011 Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee sings the hits she made famous: "He's a Rebel, "Da Doo Ron Ron," and "Christmas Baby, Please Come Home," to name just a few. January 5, 2013. R-PAC.

The Pipes and Drums of Black Watch 3rd Battalion. Featuring the Royal Regiments of Scotland and the Band of the Scots Guard. Tartans, kilts, bagpipes, and drums rule the evening. January 15, 2013. R-PAC.

Ceremony: Native Identity Threads to the Past, Present, and Future. Multimedia event with music, art, dance, theatre, and film. March 7, 2013. R-PAC.

Black Watch 3rd Battalion

Art Exhibits

Greetings! Invitational exhibit of professional illustrators' personal greeting cards. Through December 21, 2012. CAT Gallery, Rockville Campus

Faculty and Staff Exhibition. Featuring the dazzling talents

of arts faculty at the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus. Through February 1, 2013. King Street Gallery, Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus.



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Commencement 2012

Graduates, families, and friends gathered together in May for the College's 65th commencement.

Taking a Break

A student performs a one-armed handstand while breakdancing at Rockville.

Art Across Campus

A student artist adds her own drawing to student Montez Davis' "pop-up community art exhibit" displayed outside Macklin Tower.

Living History

In celebration of Constitution Day, guest performer John Douglas Hall portrayed President James Madison, "father of the Constitution."

Goal!

Montgomery College Television interviews new men's soccer coach, Pedro Braz, on his fourth day on the job.





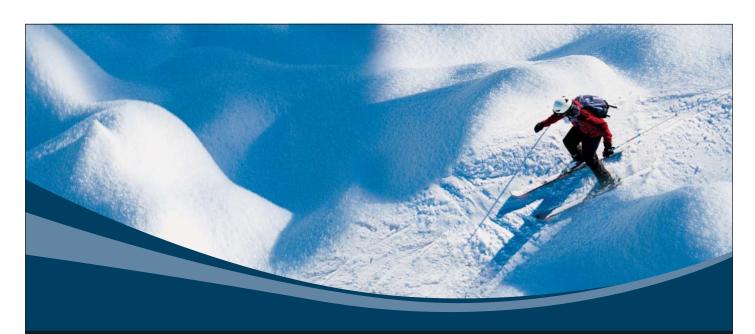












NO DOORMAN—BUT PLENTY OF BOUNCERS—AT THIS NIGHT CLUB

Montgomery College Alumni Association members can purchase a Night Club Ski/ Snowboarding season pass (not available slope side) good all night, all season at Liberty Mountain, Whitetail, and Ski Roundtop resorts. Deals on travel, tickets, and team apparel: it pays to be a member. Alumni receive valuable savings and special offers all year long, including travel and entertainment discounts, pool passes, access to child care, invitations to special events and free lectures, employment services, and discount tickets at participating amusement parks (Six Flags, Kings Dominion, and Hershey Park).

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