



# ANNUAL REPORT



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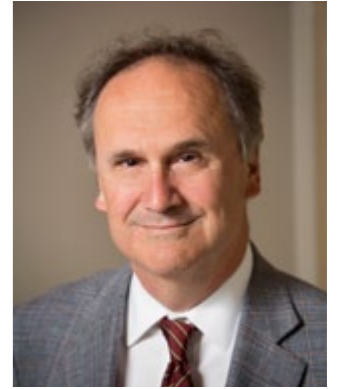
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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Paul Antinozzi



This past year was one of significant achievement for the Housatonic Community College Foundation (HCC Foundation) as we continue to support the goals of Housatonic Community College (HCC) and work to position it as a major educational and cultural force in the Greater Bridgeport area.

The HCC Foundation received a \$400,000 gift from the Allison Foundation in support of the Scholarship Program, and a gift of \$100,000 from the Klein Family Foundation in support of the Advanced Manufacturing Program – both exceptional contributions from first-time donors. The HCC Foundation also received nearly \$250,000 in new gift and grant funding from other sources in support of those programs as well as other HCC educational initiatives.

Those monies would not have been realized without the efforts of Christopher Carollo, Director of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the HCC Foundation, who secured this record-breaking funding and has worked to strengthen the Foundation's ties with the business community through the development of the Distinguished Citizen Award (see page 4).

And certainly, none of these accomplishments would have been made possible without the efforts of the HCC Foundation Board, which has grown to include highly talented individuals in recent years. Their vitality, ingenuity and steadfastness are at the core of our strength.

At this time, I would like to highlight some of their contributions. Kudos to Bob Mihalcik in his important role as Treasurer; to Ken Lisk for his work on creating a strategic plan for the future; to new Board Member Dan Wisneski for his efforts on the Marketing Committee; and to Christopher McCormack, for his solid support as Vice President.

Much appreciation is due to veteran Board Members Mary Hoyt and Paula Chapla for their work on the Scholarship Committee, and to Mary McNamara for the ongoing development of our Planned Giving program.

Most certainly, I want to thank Marianne Laska and Barbara Johnson for their accomplishments in attracting both new talent to the Board and significant donations to the HCC Foundation, and for the application of their superb organizational skills and knowledge to the advancement of our mission.

I also want to thank those Board Members whose terms have concluded: Carol Birks, Sean Carroll, Virginia Giuffrè, Don Janezic and Cynthia Payne. Please see page 28 for a tribute to the unique contributions they have made.

In closing, I would like to announce that in September, I will step down as President of the HCC Foundation. However, I will be leaving the Foundation in very capable hands: Board Vice President Christopher McCormack has agreed to take on the role of President. I have greatly enjoyed my tenure, and I am grateful that I have had the honor of being associated with the Foundation, the College it supports, and the extraordinarily gifted and dedicated people with whom I have served.

Paul Antinozzi  
President, HCC Foundation

# WHO WE ARE OUR MISSION



#### HCC Foundation Board

(standing, from left) Mary Hoyt, John Sopchak, Ed Rodriguez, Robert Mihalcik, James Connelly, Kevin Russo, Christopher Carollo, Paula Chapla, Roberta Hatch (seated, from left) Dan Wisneski, Mary McNamara, Paul Antinozzi, Anita Gliniecki, Christopher McCormack, Marianne Laska, Linda Bayusik (Emeritus). Not shown: Peter Clarke, Bruce Ennis, Denise Fenton, Barbara Johnson, Ken Lisk, R. Michael Meo, Mark Tillingier, Wiley Mullins, Sandra Wilson

*The mission of the Housatonic Community College Foundation is to solicit, secure and manage contributions from the private sector through philanthropic individuals, corporations and foundations for the benefit of Housatonic Community College.*



(from left) Diana Barros, Institutional Advancement Associate, with Christopher Carollo, Director of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the HCC Foundation, and Cindy Cominsky, Scholarship Coordinator. (Not shown is Robbin Zella, Director of the Housatonic Museum of Art.)



Anita Gliniecki, President of HCC and an Ex-Officio Foundation Board Member.

“ Today, the HCC Foundation works in partnership with the College to bring a broad range of financial assistance to men and women from the Greater Bridgeport area who have the desire to learn and the determination to build a better life..... ”

All funds received in connection with a program are managed by the HCC Foundation on behalf of the College. The HCC Foundation supports funding for student scholarships, student emergencies, child care costs for parents enrolled, program enhancements and support of the Housatonic Museum of Art.

The HCC Foundation was established in 1990 when a dedicated group of citizens from the region joined together to raise funds to assist local students. Today, the HCC Foundation works in partnership with the College to bring a broad range of financial assistance to men and women from the Greater Bridgeport area who have the desire to learn and the determination to build a better life.

In addition to assisting students, funds raised by the Foundation help provide supplemental support to the College to meet needs including staff development and educational resources not covered by state funding.

The HCC Foundation also provides necessary funding for strategic initiatives and capital improvements that enhance HCC's ability to thrive as a quality academic institution, and serves to strengthen and expand community support for the educational, cultural and community programs the College offers.

# FOUNDATION NEWS



Christopher R. Carollo



## News from the Executive Director

*Over the past year, the HCC Foundation succeeded in accomplishing several major objectives. We secured large gifts from Fairfield County and other areas; added additional board members; brought greater awareness to the communities HCC serves by creating a new fundraising event; established two new Foundation committees – Marketing/Communications and Planned Giving; and developed a new Foundation website, [www.housatonic.edu/hccf](http://www.housatonic.edu/hccf).*

This fiscal year, approximately 56% of all pledged/received donations represented new dollars to the College. Approximately \$700,000, which includes multi-year donations, was secured mainly through the efforts of Foundation Board Members and Administrators from the College. HCC received a gift of \$400,000 – the largest gift in its history, to be used for scholarships and financial assistance for full-time students taking a minimum of 12 credits.

In addition to cultivating important new donors, Institutional Advancement – in conjunction with the HCC Foundation – expanded its efforts this year to secure an increase in grant funding. Those efforts paid off. Whereas for the 2011-2012 fiscal year the Foundation submitted 13 grant applications and secured \$83,010 in funding, for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, we submitted 34 grant applications and secured

\$263,250 – a 217% increase in funding. Additional grants submitted this year are still pending and could result in even more funds being generated.

Significant inroads also were made this year in strengthening the HCC Foundation's ties to the Greater Bridgeport business community and in further engaging business leaders in the Foundation's efforts. Last spring, a luncheon – sponsored by the Foundation – was created to introduce the Distinguished Citizen Award, which is presented to an individual who exemplifies the ideals of the College by having supported education, flourished within his or her profession, and shown a commitment to the community.

The first recipient of this award was Armando Goncalves, Market President of People's United Bank, who oversees the overall strategic direction



for branches in both retail and business banking in Southern Connecticut. He was honored at the luncheon in HCC's Beacon Hall Event Center. Approximately 120 guests were in attendance to congratulate him on his achievement. In addition to his role at People's, Mr. Goncalves is highly involved in the Greater Bridgeport business community. He serves on numerous boards, provides his talents and time to many community organizations and projects including the Barnum Festival, and participates as an active member in several civic organizations. The event was sponsored by People's United Bank, First Niagara Bank, Pullman & Comley LLC and TD Bank.

In addition to attracting the business community to HCC's campus, the HCC Foundation works to connect with its alumni as potential mentors, ambassadors, donors and volunteers. This is facilitated through Institutional Advancement's Office of Alumni Relations (see page 13).

As we move forward in the 2013-2014 fiscal year, our goal is to continue our efforts to expand our financial resources, continue to bring new friends onto the HCC Foundation Board and involve the community at large in the efforts of the Foundation and the College.

**Christopher R. Carollo**  
Director of Institutional Advancement  
and Executive Director of the HCC Foundation

(top) Past Barnum Festival Ringmasters with Armando F. Goncalves (center). Mr. Goncalves was Ringmaster in 2011.

(bottom left) Armando F. Goncalves (standing, center) is presented with the 2013 Distinguished Citizen Award by HCC President Anita Gliniecki and Christopher McCormack, Foundation Vice President and Luncheon Chairman.

(bottom right) Luncheon Committee Chairman Christopher McCormack with sponsors Peter Keller, representing First Niagara Bank; Blanca Kazmierczak, representing People's United Bank; Maureen Hanley-Bellitto, representing TDBank; and Edward P. McCreery, III, representing Pullman & Comley; and HCC President Anita Gliniecki.

# SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE FOUNDATION

*There are many reasons to contribute to the HCC Foundation. Whether personal, business or civic in nature, the result is the same: all contributions support the work of the College in educating its students and in strengthening the economic and cultural integrity of the community it serves.*

The HCC Foundation offers many options that provide you with flexibility in your contributions while also giving you the opportunity to increase your current income, secure additional retirement income and/or maximize tax advantages. Some of these options are listed below:

- A monetary contribution is, by far, the most popular way to make a donation to the HCC Foundation. We gratefully accept cash, checks, and charge cards including American Express, Visa, MasterCard and Discover.
- A Matching Gift program through your employer is an easy way to increase the value of your donation. Check with your Human Resources Department to see if your company participates in a Matching Gift program, or any other donation-based incentive program.
- Gifting Appreciated Securities can be an extremely advantageous way to give. Such gifts may eliminate your capital gains tax liability and provide income tax savings.
- IRAs are an excellent vehicle for charitable giving. Individuals over seventy and one-half years of age can distribute up to \$100,000 from an IRA directly to the HCC Foundation without incurring income tax on the assets (although the charitable deduction is not available). Individuals also can designate the HCC Foundation as the beneficiary of all or part of their IRA or other qualified plan upon their death.

- A Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT) is a tax-advantaged philanthropic strategy that allows you to direct your wealth in ways that reflect your charitable values and beliefs, while providing you with an income stream during your lifetime from the contributed assets (cash, securities, real estate or other property), as well as income tax benefits. After your death or a term of years, the assets in trust would either belong to the HCC Foundation, or the HCC Foundation could choose to continue receiving the income stream.
- A Charitable Lead Trust (CLT) is another type of tax-advantaged split interest charitable trust. The difference, however, is that the CLT directs the charitable interest *during your lifetime*, enabling you to enjoy seeing the benefits of your gift. That is, the HCC Foundation would receive the income stream generated by the trust during your lifetime, and after your death or a term of years, the remaining assets in the CLT – which will often have appreciated – will pass to your beneficiaries without further gift or estate taxes.
- A Planned Gift, which can be stipulated in your will, is an excellent way to contribute for those who appreciate the work of the HCC Foundation, but may be financially unable to contribute during their lifetime. Bequeathing personal assets through your will may be the most appropriate way for you to contribute.
- Life insurance plans will allow the HCC Foundation to be your beneficiary and all premiums are tax deductible. This is an excellent way to give a substantial gift with only a small amount of financial outlay. Annuities are also to be considered.

Before considering a contribution, it is best to consult with your financial advisor to determine which vehicle will work best for your individual financial situation. Once you know how you want to proceed, please make an appointment with the Foundation to discuss your plans. Christopher Carollo, Director of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the HCC Foundation, is available to assist you at (203) 332-5078 or at ccarollo@hcc.commnet.edu.

*“Estate planning provides a great opportunity to leave a legacy. By planning ahead, you can fund scholarships to be awarded in the future that will allow students to receive the education that will better their lives – and they may better the lives of still others in years to come.*

*You never know – you might just fund a student who changes the world!*

*My wife and I are updating our wills to include a donation to HCC.”*



Robert Mihalcik, HCC Foundation Treasurer and Senior Vice President at RBS Citizens, and his wife, Mimi Rios-Mihalcik.

*“I believe in the work the Housatonic Community College Foundation does to further the mission of HCC, which in turn has a vital impact on the educational, vocational and cultural life of our community. That’s why I personally chose to make an unrestricted gift.*

*I am very proud that my employer has a Matching Gift program, which increased the size of my contribution. To me, that says a lot about how invested Bank of America is in our community.”*

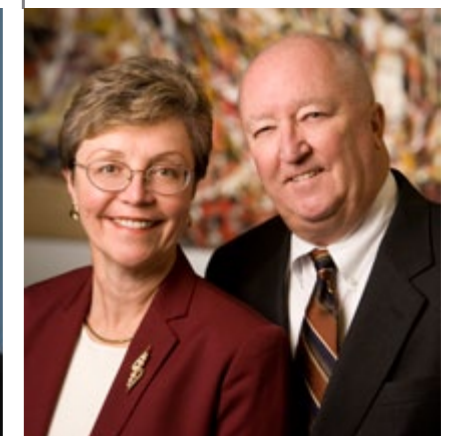


Roberta Hatch, Senior Vice President and Senior Trust Officer U.S. Trust, Bank of America Private Wealth Management. Roberta has agreed to join the HCC Foundation Board.

*“Housatonic Community College holds a special place in our hearts. Our son received his Associate Degree from HCC and because of that accomplishment, was able to complete his Bachelor’s and Master’s Degrees at four-year academic institutions.*

*We felt it was important to acknowledge the impact the education he received at HCC had on his college career and ultimately, his professional success.*

*We intend to show our appreciation through a planned gift to Housatonic.”*



HCC Foundation Board Member Barbara Johnson and her husband, Carl.

# ALUMNI HALL OF FAME GALA

*(standing from left)* Karen Carollo and her husband Christopher Carollo, Director of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the HCC Foundation, with Marianne Laska, a HCC Foundation Board Member and her husband, Bob. *(seated from left)* Robert Dombroski, husband of HCC President Anita Gliniecki, Guest Speaker Bobby Valentine, Anita Gliniecki, and Herb and Simin Allison, founders of the Allison Foundation.

*(from left)* HCC President Anita Gliniecki with Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees Paul Piorek, Linda Bayusik, Kevin Russo and Guest Speaker Bobby Valentine.

HCC Graduate Joseph Dagher spoke on how the scholarship he received from the HCC Foundation helped him complete his coursework and graduate with the goal of becoming an aerospace engineer.

*(from left)* David Bigelow and his wife, Eunice, Guest Speaker Bobby Valentine, and Tammy Janezic and her husband Don Janezic, Bigelow Tea CFO and HCC Board Member Emeritus.



## Honoring Distinguished Alumni

*At the fourth annual "Alumni Hall of Fame" Gala – sponsored by the HCC Foundation – three distinguished alumni were honored for maximizing the education they received at HCC and for distinguishing themselves in their careers and in the realm of community service. Family, friends, administration and faculty, Foundation board members and staff, as well as business, community and government leaders all attended the event to congratulate the honorees.*



*(fourth from left)* Dorothy Larson, President of the Bannow Larson Foundation – a longtime supporter of the HCC Foundation's efforts, and *(fifth from left)*, her daughter Denise Fenton, Secretary of the Bannow Larson Foundation and a HCC Foundation Board Member, with their family members and guests.

### 2012 Distinguished Alumni

**Linda Bayusik** graduated HCC with an Associate Degree and received her Bachelor's Degree from UCONN (Stamford). She became Director of Student Activities at HCC, was a HCC Foundation Board Member and Officer, and is now a Board Member Emeritus. Linda has volunteered for Make America Better, the Salvation Army, the Thomas Merton House and Habitat for Humanity. She does volunteer work for children with cancer and is an outreach volunteer for Patient Airlift Services and for the Rhode Island Blood Center.

**Paul Piorek** graduated HCC with an Associate Degree and earned his Bachelor's of Science Degree at Southern Connecticut State University. For more than 23 years, he has been the Television Weathercaster for News 12 Connecticut/Cablevision in Norwalk. Paul is a four-time winner of the Connecticut Associated Press Broadcasters' Association "Best Weathercast" Award, an Emmy award winner for television weather at the 50<sup>th</sup> annual National Association of Television Arts & Sciences awards banquet in New York, and has been voted Best Local TV Personality.

**Kevin Russo** is the Supervisory Assistant State's Attorney for the State of Connecticut, and is the Chief Administrative Assistant for all criminal matters within the Judicial District of Ansonia/Milford. He is also an adjunct professor at HCC, teaching Microeconomic and Macroeconomic Theory and Application. Kevin earned his Associate in Science Degree at HCC and his Bachelor's Degree in Business Economics

at Southern Connecticut State University. He received his Juris Doctor in Law from Western New England College School of Law. He is a fundraiser for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, speaks on juvenile crime, and was the recipient of the Trio Achievement Award sponsored by the National Council of Educational Opportunity Associations.

The evening included a presentation by Bobby Valentine, former MLB player, ESPN baseball analyst, and manager of the NY Mets and the Boston Red Sox. Mr. Valentine chronicled his career in sports, comparing the ups and downs of the sporting world to that of a student struggling to better him or herself through education. Mr. Valentine also made a generous contribution to the Scholarship Program and invited gala attendees to a complimentary lunch at his restaurant, "Bobby Valentine's Sports Gallery Cafe" in Stamford.

The Alumni Hall of Fame Gala is the Foundation's primary fundraising event. Proceeds from the event fund the Foundation's Scholarship Program, which disburses an average of \$150,000 annually to deserving HCC students.

## SAVE THE DATE

*Saturday, November 16, 2013*

*Fifth Annual Alumni Hall of Fame Gala*

### A special thank you to our 2012 Gala sponsors:

#### \$10,000 +

The Bannow Larson Foundation  
Bigelow Tea  
General Electric  
Pitney Bowes

#### \$5,000 - \$9,999

Hearst Media Services  
People's United Bank

#### \$3,000 - \$4,999

Advanced Cleaning Concepts  
Antinozzi Associates  
BlumShapiro  
Anita Gliniecki and Robert Dombroski  
Barbara and Carl Johnson  
Lacey Manufacturing Company  
Pullman & Comley  
RBS/Citizens Bank

# GIFTS AND GRANTS

## Supporting Financial Goals

The HCC Foundation actively pursues financial gifts and grants from individuals, private and public foundations, and other organizations in an effort to meet the expanding needs of the College and its students. During the past year, the Foundation succeeded in securing funding from a number of organizations – including important new donors – to benefit HCC programs. This funding was largely due to the collaborative effort by Janet Zamparo, HCC Foundation's grant writer, and Andrea Macnow, HCC Grants Development Specialist, both of whom have done an excellent job in increasing the dollars raised by significantly increasing the number of grant applications to viable funders.

### The HCC Foundation's Scholarship Program

The **Allison Foundation** of Westport made a first-time donation of \$400,000 to establish a full-time scholarship fund for students attending Housatonic



(from left) In addition to their generous donation to the Scholarship Program, Herb and Simin Allison, founders of the Allison Foundation, attended the 2012 Alumni Hall of Fame Gala. They are shown with HCC President Anita Gliniecki.

Community College. This is the largest gift made to the College since its inception. The fund provides \$200,000 a year for two years for scholarships, stipends for academic success and emergency assistance for students in need.

**The William H. Pitt Foundation**, established by the late Stamford-based real estate entrepreneur and community leader William H. Pitt, has been a long-term supporter of the Scholarship Program. This year, the Pitt Foundation provided a generous grant of \$34,000. The **Near and Far Aid Association**, whose generosity to the Scholarship Program has spanned many years, committed to a grant of \$10,000. **GE (General Electric)** awarded a continued donation of \$10,000, and the **Xerox Foundation** granted \$4,000. These funds will help finance the education of students enrolled in HCC's many Associate Degree and Certificate programs.

### The Regional Advanced Manufacturing Center

This year, the HCC Foundation was the recipient of a \$100,000 donation from the **Klein Family Foundation**. The donation will be used to build the College's manufacturing endowment and to fund scholarships for both new and current students enrolled either full-time or part-time in HCC's Advanced Manufacturing Program. It also will



The Klein Family Foundation was established by Carla Klein, widow of the late John A. Klein (shown above.) Mr. Klein was President and CEO of People's United Bank.

fund scholarships for students in HCC's engineering programs, which provide the education and credits they need to transfer to Bachelor's Degree programs in engineering at four-year academic institutions. This donation will be awarded in sums of \$20,000 a year for five years.

The Foundation also received a donation of \$10,000 from an **Anonymous Donor** to support scholarships for students enrolled in the Advanced Manufacturing Program. **Bank of America** awarded a grant of \$5,000 to help support the part-time position of the Academic Associate, who will maintain the labs or classrooms, storage rooms and equipment, and provide assistance to the Director and faculty for the operation of the Manufacturing Center and lab.

### Smart investing@your library Initiative

**The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) Investor Education Foundation and the American Library Association (ALA)** have granted \$100,000 to the Housatonic Community College Library as part of the "Smart investing@your library" initiative. The HCC Community College Library and the Bridgeport Public Library will work together and with other partners during the 2013-2014 fiscal year to help young Bridgeport residents acquire the knowledge and skills essential for sound financial decision-making before, during and after college. Among other topics, the instructional sequence will encompass banking basics, introduction to credit, how to pay for college and maintain financial aid, introduction to investing and how to avoid financial fraud.

### Housatonic Community College Bridges Program

Developed several years ago, HCC's *Bridges* Program is an Achieving the Dream Initiative designed to forge strong partnerships with area high schools in an effort to close the gap between high school preparation and college expectations and to help students make a seamless transition from high school to college.

This year, the HCC Foundation was notified that it would be in receipt of a grant of \$20,000 from **Citibank** to support the *Bridges* Program in six high schools that met the requirement of having 50% or greater of their

student bodies receiving free or discounted lunch. Those schools are Ansonia High School; Bridgeport's Bassick, Bullard-Havens Vocational, Central and Harding High Schools; and Derby High School. **People's United Community Foundation** awarded \$7,000 to help fund an Assistant Coordinator's position to help facilitate this cooperative program.

### The Early Childhood Laboratory School

HCC's Early Childhood Laboratory School (ECLS) provides quality early care and educational programs for children of HCC students, faculty and staff as well as for the Bridgeport community. The ECLS also serves as a laboratory setting and observation site for students and teachers studying in the field of early childhood care and education.

This past year, **The Bridgeport Public Education Fund** awarded the school a \$960 First Book Grant to facilitate the purchase of books for children's home libraries. The school also received a **Mohammad Ali Center Peace Garden Grant** valued at \$500 from the National Gardening Association. The grant included a \$100 check and a gardening package valued at \$400 that included raised gardening beds, tools and curriculum. It was awarded to the ECLS because the school recognizes "the important role the environment plays on the lives of students, teachers and the community."



Children enrolled in HCC's Early Childhood Laboratory School witness the sprouting of seeds they planted in connection with the Mohammad Ali Center Peace Garden Grant.

# THE REGIONAL ADVANCED MANUFACTURING CENTER

*"We believe there can be a manufacturing renaissance in this country," Gene Perling – Director of the National Economic Council and a point person for President Obama said recently – "if we are smart."*



Students Pierre Antoine (foreground) and Brett O'Brien (background) operate an American Standard Lathe.



Student Joseph Lisboa operates a Bridgeport Manual Milling machine.

Over the years, HCC has maintained long-term relationships with several local manufacturers, developing credit and non-credit courses to meet their specific business and/or industry needs for the education or retraining of their workforce. HCC's efforts have helped those employers to sustain their operations and take advantage of emerging trends and commercial opportunities in the global market.

During the 2011-2012 academic year, HCC was advised it would receive significant funding from the State of Connecticut to open a Regional Advanced Manufacturing Center and offer an Advanced Manufacturing Program. The state funding was designated to support construction and equipment purchases for the Center. This was an important opportunity for the College to further distinguish itself as an institution having a long-term impact on the economic viability of the Greater Bridgeport region.

HCC's Regional Advanced Manufacturing Center opened in the fall of 2012 with an enhanced manufacturing laboratory equipped with state-of-the-art precision equipment and an impressive engineering design studio offering students the opportunity to develop and execute manufacturing projects from concept to reality. Additional state funding will also support construction and equipment purchases for the second phase of the project – the addition of a welding lab that will officially open in the fall of 2014.

Many of the students who participated in the 2013 program are in internships now and some have already been offered positions pending their completion of the program and graduation. Currently, there are openings for approximately 750 manufacturing jobs in the Bridgeport and New Haven areas.

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**HCC's Advanced Regional Manufacturing Center is not only enabling HCC to establish itself further as a valuable resource for employees and employers in the manufacturing industry, but the important role it is playing in strengthening the regional economy has attracted monetary support from significant new donors, such as the Klein Family Foundation, which gifted \$100,000 to the Center this year. In addition, an Anonymous Donor gave \$10,000 and Bank of America granted \$5,000. (Please see Gifts and Grants on page 10.)**

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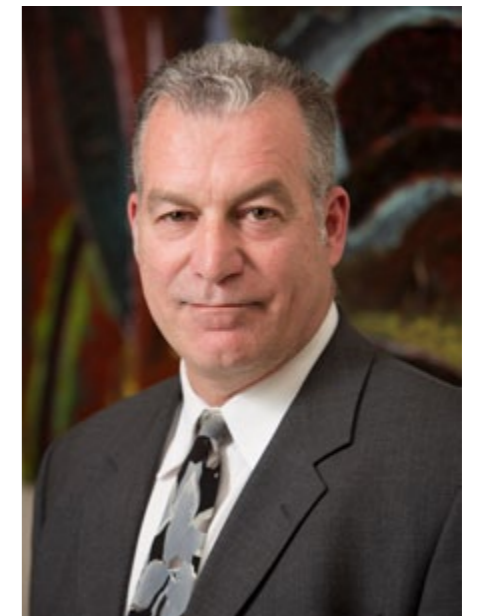
# OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS ALUMNI NEWS

*Under the auspices of Institutional Advancement, the Office of Alumni Relations is committed to developing lifelong relationships between HCC and its alumni by working to cultivate and encourage alumni as leaders, volunteers, advocates and donors for the College.*

An excellent example of a successful alumni relationship is that of Kevin Russo. Kevin is the Supervisory Assistant State's Attorney for the State of Connecticut, and is Chief Administrative Assistant for all criminal matters within the Judicial District of Ansonia/Milford. He is also an adjunct professor at HCC, teaching Microeconomic and Macroeconomic Theory and Application.

Last November, Kevin was inducted into the HCC Alumni Hall of Fame in recognition of his professional achievements and community service. He has agreed to join the HCC Foundation Board and take on the role of Chair for the Alumni Committee – a subcommittee of the Board's Resource Development Committee. The Alumni Committee was formed to help the Foundation further identify, reconnect with and engage alumni. His commitment to HCC is greatly appreciated.

The Foundation would also like to acknowledge the accomplishments of alumna Linda Bayusik, who graduated HCC with numerous awards, a perfect 4.0 GPA and an Associate Degree. She received her Bachelor's Degree from UCONN (Stamford), and later became HCC's Director of Student Activities. In that role, she produced a number of popular alumni events and fundraisers and paved the way for the Office of Alumni Relations. She served as a HCC Foundation Board Member and as Board Secretary, and is now a Board Member Emeritus, and a member of the Alumni Hall of Fame. Although Linda retired recently, we are grateful she is continuing to serve HCC as a member of the Alumni Committee.



HCC Alumni Kevin Russo



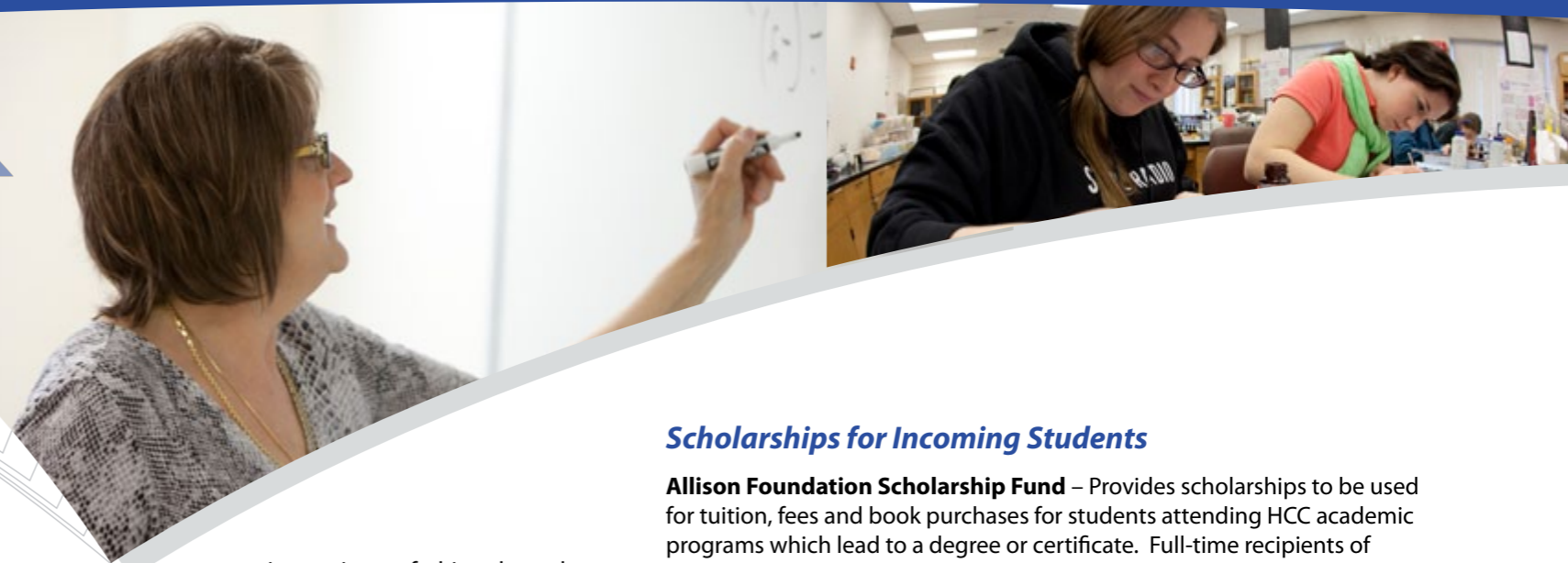
HCC Alumna Linda Bayusik

For more information on the Alumni Association, please contact Diana Barros at 203-332-5038 or [DBarros@housatonic.edu](mailto:DBarros@housatonic.edu), or visit <http://www.hctc.commnet.edu/HCCF/alumni>



# SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

## RECOGNIZING BOTH MERIT AND NEED



### ***“Mother’s Advantage Scholarship.”***

***“Our mothers were born at a time when higher education for women was far from the norm. Both of them were caring and compassionate women and would be very pleased with the opportunities this scholarship gives to the underserved women of our community. We truly believe this scholarship not only changes the life of the recipient for the better, but that of her family as well.”***

Marianne Laska and her husband, Bob, established the Mercy Learning Center “Mother’s Advantage Scholarship.”



Each semester, the HCC Foundation awards scholarships to a wide range of students in recognition of their outstanding academic performance and/or their financial need. Scholarships often make a major difference in the lives of the recipients – sometimes determining whether or not the student can enroll at HCC, or if already enrolled, complete his or her course work and graduate.

Many scholarship recipients graduate with Associate Degrees or Certificates and enter rewarding careers in the workforce. Others transfer their credits and continue their education at prestigious four-year colleges and universities including Yale, NYU, Johns Hopkins, Columbia, Smith, Wesleyan, Fairfield, and the University of Connecticut, to name a few.

Throughout the past, scholarship grants from generous individuals, organizations and foundations have helped support the HCC Foundation’s efforts to provide a wide range of scholarship opportunities to deserving students.

One such couple is Marianne and Bob Laska. Marianne, an alumna and HCC Foundation Board Member, has been working with Institutional Advancement and the HCC Foundation for the last eleven years. She has devoted considerable time and energy developing both awareness building events and fundraising events for the Foundation, including numerous

wine tastings, a fashion show, the HCC 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party and the Alumni Hall of Fame Gala. These events have netted significant funding for the HCC Foundation’s Scholarship Program.

Marianne and Bob also created the Mercy Learning Center “Mother’s Advantage Scholarship.” The Mercy Learning Center - whose motto is “Educate a woman, educate a family” - serves low-income, Bridgeport-area women who are mothers, and provides them with basic literacy and life skills training. The “Mothers Advantage Scholarship” is awarded annually to a graduate of the Center who is a mother and who attends HCC.

### ***Scholarships for Incoming Students***

**Allison Foundation Scholarship Fund** – Provides scholarships to be used for tuition, fees and book purchases for students attending HCC academic programs which lead to a degree or certificate. Full-time recipients of scholarships from the Fund are eligible for a stipend of \$250 for a GPA of 2.5 – 2.9, \$400 for a GPA of 3.0 – 3.5 and \$500 for a GPA of 3.6 or higher, at the end of the fall and spring semesters. This stipend may be used for any purpose so designated by the student.

**Klein Family Foundation Fund** – Awards full/partial scholarships to be used for tuition and fees for students attending HCC to obtain a certificate in Manufacturing and/or a degree in Engineering.

**Karen D. Torres Memorial Scholarship Fund** – Provides scholarships to be used for tuition and fees for students registered in Allied Science program, Nursing, Occupational and/or Physical Therapy.

**Richard E. Parent Memorial Scholarship Fund** – Provides scholarships to be used for tuition, fees and book purchases for students who are registered for a Chemistry course. The scholarship was established in memory of HCC Chemistry Professor, Richard E. Parent.

**Pay It Forward Scholarship Fund** – This student scholarship, established in 2010, is funded 100% by students to assist current or incoming students who demonstrate financial need, are in good academic standing and are not receiving financial aid.

**William H. Pitt Foundation Scholarship Fund** – Awarded to full-time Housatonic students who are in good academic standing with a GPA of 2.3 or better and who are not receiving financial aid. Students are not required to have nine credits for this particular scholarship.



*I am truly thankful and honored to be one of the recipients of the Allison Foundation Scholarship. Thanks to your generous support, I am able to continue my path... I grew up in a single parent household, and was raised by my father. He is my hero and all I want to do in life is make him proud. I have chosen Psychology as my major and once I graduate HCC I would love to continue with my dream and transfer to Sacred Heart University.....I promise you, I will work very hard.*

Vanessa Buynak  
Allison Foundation Scholarship Recipient



*I would like to thank you for providing me with a scholarship from The William H. Pitt Foundation. I am going to have many things to worry about less, including paying for next semester as well as purchasing tools necessary for class. Having tools such as micrometers and calipers will provide me with the ability to bring my knowledge from the classroom to the outside world (and) create my own workshop at home. Once again, thank you so much. I couldn't begin to describe how grateful I am.*

Joshua Feroletto  
William H. Pitt Foundation Scholarship Recipient



**Manufacturing Association of Southern Connecticut Inc. (MASC) Endowed Scholarship Fund** – Awarded to students who are pursuing studies in an area related to the Manufacturing Industry and are taking the technical courses within the Engineering Science & Industrial Technology Programs. Students are not required to have nine credits for this particular scholarship.

### Scholarships for Current Students

**Dr. Janis M. Hadley Endowed Scholarship Fund** – Awarded to students who have completed their first year at HCC and are continuing their studies there. The scholarship was established by Dr. Hadley, HCC's third president, who retired in 2006.

**Mercy Learning Center "Mother's Advantage Scholarship" Fund** – Established by HCC Foundation board member, Marianne Laska, and her husband, Bob, in memory of their mothers. The scholarship is available to graduates of the Mercy Learning Center who are mothers and are attending HCC.

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### Scholarships for Graduating Students

HCC's Counseling Center and the HCC Foundation also have scholarship information available for HCC graduates. These scholarships are offered by area businesses and organizations, the HCC Foundation and other colleges and universities, and include scholarships based on outstanding academic achievement and/or financial need. The nature of the scholarships available each year may vary and the scholarships may have additional requirements. They are available to students graduating from HCC and transferring to four-year colleges and universities.



*I am truly grateful and overwhelmed that I was granted a scholarship at Housatonic. This will take the burden off my father who is still unemployed and my mother who is still trying to pay off loans for my older brother who recently graduated college. If it wasn't for this scholarship, I would probably have had to take a year off of school to be able to save up money for the classes I need to graduate. But because of this scholarship, I don't have to do so. Thank you for all your support and for giving me the chance to move forward and make something of myself.*

Natalie Villa  
Scholarship Recipient



*I would like to express my deepest gratitude for the scholarship you have given me... your generosity and support will help me focus on my academics without having to worry about the tuition fee... I plan to continue my education in Accounting and eventually have a career in the field... I promise I will work hard to prove myself worthy of this opportunity you have given me. I am looking forward to the day I am able to help other students just as you have helped me.*

John Lee  
Scholarship Recipient





The POEMobile - presented by City Lore and Bowery Arts + Science - featured poets performing, while their verses were projected on the façade on the McLevy Building at State and Broad Streets. The program was featured during Bridgeport's Arts Fest this past July.



*The Art of Business: Collectors Press Lithographs* exhibit, curated by Maura Brennan, highlighted works from the Museum's impressive print collection, and represented an opportunity for the public to see works on paper that are rarely on display, due to their fragility.

# MUSEUM

## HOUSATONIC MUSEUM OF ART

### Exhibition Schedule 2013-2014

#### Sept/October 2013

*Our Fragile Home: Pat Musick and Jerry Carr/ A Collaboration in the Burt Chernow Galleries* (Catalog)  
*John Taylor Arms in the Community Gallery*

#### November/December 2013

TBD

#### January/February 2014

*Pins And Needles/Curated by Suzan Shutan*

#### Feb/March 2014

*Nontsikelelo Mutiti/ New American Dream*

#### April 2014

*Annual Faculty Show*

#### May 2014

*Annual Student Show*

#### June/July 2014

*Anna Held Audette: A Retrospective*

**The Housatonic Museum of Art (HMA) is home to one of the premier community college art collections in the United States. Its collection offers students and the community alike the opportunity to view works that span the history of art from the ancient to the contemporary. This permanent collection is on continuous display throughout the 300,000 square foot facility, offering a rare opportunity for both art enthusiasts and casual observers to view and interact with the art on a daily basis.**

The Museum serves as a rich cultural resource for the Greater Bridgeport area, presenting lectures, programs and changing exhibitions in the Burt Chernow Galleries for viewing by HCC students and the community at large. More than 10,000 people visited the Museum last year to enjoy a series of exhibitions including the following:

- *Paper Trail: 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Burt Chernow Galleries*, Curated by Maura Brennan
- *Reimagining the Distaff Toolkit*, Curated by Rickie Solinger
- *The Art of Business: Collectors Press Lithographs*, Curated by Maura Brennan
- *Gil Scullion: UP ALL NIGHT*, Curated by Robbin Zella
- *Eye of the Storm*, Curated by D. Dominick Lombardi
- *POEMobile*, HMA and City Lore poetry event in partnership with Bridgeport's ARTSFest

In addition, two small shows were on view in the Community Gallery in Beacon Hall. The first show featured artwork by third graders from six Bridgeport elementary schools who had participated in a modified version of the Werth Family Foundation Peer Docent Program. (See more on the Peer

Docent Program below.) The show was based on the students' interpretation of works in the HMA's permanent collection and was funded through grants from the **Annie E. Casey Foundation and the Rotary Club of Bridgeport**. The second exhibit featured posters created for the Bridgeport Arts and Cultural Council "Heroes" Campaign by award-winning graphic designer Greg Chinn of Fairfield. This exhibit highlighted the contributions of inventors, scientists and industrialists, among others. The posters are now in the HMA's permanent collection.

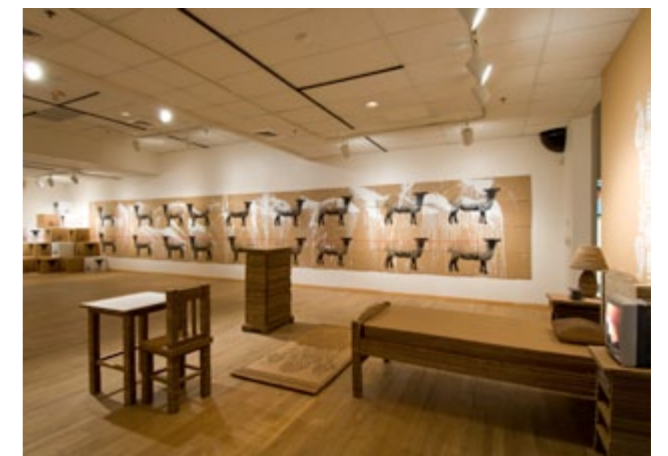
With works by Warhol, Wesselman, Christo and Jeanne-Claude, Yoko Ono, Rodin and Picasso in its trust, it is imperative the HMA maintain the highest levels of conservation. Last July, the Museum completed a **Conservation Assessment Program (CAP)** – funded by the Institute for Museum and Library Services – to determine what Museum staff could do to improve the care, storage and environment of the collection. Based on CAP recommendations, improvements to the air handling system were made to stabilize the gallery environment, and preliminary design work began for the installation of additional painting racks and shelving to safely store framed objects. Museum staff also completed the inventory, cataloging and photographing of the entire paper collection.

The Museum has a long history of outreach to the community. Last academic year – in partnership with HCC's Continuing Education Department – the HMA developed an **Arts Handling Certificate Program** that was conducted as a weekend workshop in December. The program was developed in conjunction with Brent Powell, Chair of the Preparation, Art Handling and Collections Care Information Network (PACCIN), a committee of the American Association of Museums (AAM). The program includes both fundamentals and advanced training in short but intensive programs designed to introduce the principles of art handling to those new to the field, as well as strengthening and building the skills of experienced art technicians. The first workshop was extremely successful with attendees from California, Canada and throughout New England. The workshop was offered again in May, and will run for a third time in September.

None of these efforts would be possible without the strong support of HMA funders. Recently, the Museum received \$70,000 as the second of three installments (totaling \$210,000) from the **Werth Family Foundation**. The funds will help support the Museum's on-going conservation programs and special exhibits, as well as the Arts Handling Certificate Program and the Werth Family Foundation Peer Docent Program – a highly successful after-school enrichment program that introduces students to art and art history, teaching them how to look at art critically, and ultimately providing them with an opportunity to develop visual and analytical skills that will assist them in all areas of learning throughout their lifetimes.

Last year, seventh and eighth graders from Bridgeport's St. Raphael School and St. Augustine School participated in the program, which focused on the *Reimagining the Distaff Toolkit* exhibit and works from the Museum's permanent collection.

Funding from the **Werth Family Foundation** and the **Fairfield County Community Foundation** supported the *The Art of Business: Collectors Press Lithographs* exhibit. In addition, grants of \$3,750 each through the **Department of Economic and Community Development's Office of Culture and Tourism** and from an anonymous donor enabled the HMA to bring City Lore's *POEMobile* to Bridgeport to participate in Arts Fest this past July.



*Up All Night*, curated by Robbin Zella, HMA Director, was inspired by the sleep disorders that the artist, Gil Scullion, has wrestled with for several years. This theme evolved through the recognition of insomnia's intriguing formal relationships, especially its foundation as a presence defined by an absence: insomnia is the absence of sleep, which is itself the absence of consciousness.



(from left) HCC Foundation President Paul Antinozzi, Director of the Housatonic Museum of Art Robbin Zella, honoree Ann Chernow, HCC President Anita Gliniecki, HMA Curator Maura Brennan, and Christopher Carollo, Director of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the HCC Foundation at an event celebrating Ann Chernow's support of the HMA.

# AWARDS NIGHT & COMMENCEMENT



(below) Joseph Lisboa, Joshua Feroletto and Courtney Hudson, Jr. all completed HCC's Advanced Manufacturing Program, with the assistance of scholarships awarded by the HCC Foundation.

## Celebrating Student Success

Students, administration, faculty and staff, and many family members and friends attended the College's annual Awards Night on May 29, 2013. The event was held to recognize outstanding students and the generous individuals, groups and organizations supporting them. Foundation Board Member Paula Chapla, who serves on the HCC Foundation's Scholarship Committee, once again took the lead as Mistress of Ceremonies again this year.



(above) Scholarship recipients and 2013 graduates Melissa Figueroa, Barcatun Noccioli and Cepea Burton. Melissa and Barcatun have been accepted into Schools of Nursing. Cepea is pursuing a career in Criminal Justice.

Thirty-two Housatonic Foundation Scholars who received their Associate Degrees this year were honored both for their academic achievements and for having merited scholarships or financial awards during their education at HCC. Financial awards provided by the HCC Foundation included the following:

**Academic Dean's Prize\*\*** – Awarded to graduate students who have achieved the highest academic average at HCC.

**Beverly G. Anderson Memorial Award\*\*** – Established in memory of HCC and Harding High School counselor and presented to an outstanding graduate who graduated from a Bridgeport high school.

**Lillian Andersen Award** – Awarded to a graduate who has furthered the goals of the Art Program outside of regular assignments.

**BlumShapiro Accounting Scholarship Award\*\*** – Presented to an outstanding student in the Business Administration: Accounting Department who will be continuing his or her degree in accounting at a four-year institution.

**Burt Chernow Endowed Scholarship Fund\*\*** – Established in memory of the founder of the Housatonic Museum of Art, Coordinator of the HCC Art Program, and Professor of Art, and presented to a graduate continuing his or her education in art or art education at a four-year institution.

**Connecticut Post Award** – Presented by Post Publishing Company and the *Connecticut Post* to outstanding journalism students.

**Salvatore Curiale Scholarship Fund\*\*** – Established in memory of the Director of Admissions at Housatonic and presented to a student continuing his or her education in nursing.

**Elizabeth Lombardi Doane Honors Award** – Presented to a student in the Honors Program who has exhibited outstanding achievement and potential for four-year study.

**Ralph Fabrizio Scholarship Fund\*\*** – Established in memory of a HCC Psychology Professor and awarded to an outstanding student in the behavioral sciences.

**George Endowed Scholarship Fund\*\*** – Established in honor of HCC Business Professor, Thomas George, and presented to a graduating student in the Computer Science Associate Degree program who demonstrates academic achievement.

**Joyce Gerber Early Childhood Education Endowed Scholarship Fund\*\*** – Established in honor of HCC Professor and Director of the HCC Early Childhood Lab School, and presented to a student who is graduating with a degree in Early Childhood Education with the highest grade point average among graduates of the Early Childhood Education Program, and who plans to transfer to a four-year college.

**Greater Bridgeport Chapter of the Connecticut Society of CPAs Accounting Prize** – Presented by this local professional group to an outstanding accounting student continuing his or her education.

**Jane Mahoney Memorial Award\*\*** – Established in memory of HCC English Professor and presented to a student who began his or her studies in developmental English classes.

**Maureen Maloney Scholarship Fund\*\*** – Established in honor of HCC Psychology Professor and awarded to a graduating student or students who are pursuing an education in the field of Psychology or medicine at a four-year institution in Connecticut.

**Marshall Rachleff Scholarship Award\*\*** – Established in memory of a HCC History Professor and presented to an outstanding student in history, government, economics or labor studies.

**David Susskind Memorial Scholarship Award\*\*** – Established in memory of TV personality and public affairs commentator David Susskind and awarded to an outstanding student in the social sciences who intends to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in political science, history or public administration.

**Swain Prize\*\*** – Established in honor of a HCC English Professor and awarded to the outstanding student in English.

**Peter Ulisse Literature Award** – Established by HCC English

Professor and Chair of the Humanities Department and awarded to a graduating student who has demonstrated a passion for and excellence in the field of literature.

**Dale Ward Endowed Scholarship Fund\*\*** – Awarded to the highest-ranking students planning to continue their education. This scholarship complements the HCC Senate Scholarship named in honor of former History Professor Dale Ward.

**Dale Ward Scholarship Fund** – Established by the Student Senate in honor of Housatonic History Professor and Senate advisor, Dale Ward, and presented to the graduates with the highest cumulative averages who are planning on continuing their education.

\*\*Administered through the Housatonic Community College Foundation, Inc.

## Commencement

HCC's forty-sixth commencement ceremony was held on May 30, 2013 at the Webster Bank Arena in Bridgeport. The commencement address was delivered by State Representative Andres Ayala, Jr. from the 128<sup>th</sup> District. A total of 503 students received Associate Degrees and 133 students received Certificates. This was the largest graduating class in the history of the College.

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended June 30,			2012	
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total	Total
<b>Revenue and support</b>					
Contributions	\$ 56,953	\$ 843,285	\$ 15,125	\$915,363	\$403,594
Special events	102,724	6,300		109,024	101,242
Interest and dividends	16,097	7,077		23,174	16,210
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	63,609			63,609	(2,622)
Net assets released from restrictions	304,864	(304,864)			
<b>Total revenue and support</b>	<b>544,247</b>	<b>551,798</b>	<b>15,125</b>	<b>1,111,170</b>	<b>518,424</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Scholarships and awards	135,781			135,781	142,023
Programs	84,118			84,118	84,461
Museum	84,965			84,965	70,857
Management and general	140,955			140,955	128,918
Fund raising events	60,070			60,070	81,687
Other fund raising					6,150
Impairment of endowment match					58,118
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>505,889</b>			<b>505,889</b>	<b>572,214</b>
<b>Change in net assets</b>	<b>38,358</b>	<b>551,798</b>	<b>15,125</b>	<b>605,281</b>	<b>(53,790)</b>
<b>Net assets, beginning</b>	<b>124,182</b>	<b>376,256</b>	<b>539,027</b>	<b>1,039,465</b>	<b>1,093,255</b>
<b>Net assets, ending</b>	<b>\$162,540</b>	<b>\$928,054</b>	<b>\$554,152</b>	<b>\$1,644,746</b>	<b>\$1,039,465</b>

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Christopher McCormack (right), who has been on the Board for three years and has served as Vice President for the last year, is taking on the role of Board President, as Paul Antinozzi's term concludes. Paul (right) served as a Board Member for nine years, and as President for four years.

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*The HCC Foundation Board and Staff, the College and its students wish to thank the following Board Members who have completed their terms. They have provided great service to the Foundation and College, and have enriched the lives of countless HCC students through their efforts.*

**Carol Birks** served with dedication for six years and was a member of the Scholarship Committee, allocating funding to students of merit and students in need.

**Sean Carroll** served for twelve years, and held the position of Secretary for six years, providing oversight and support for Foundation endeavors.

**Virginia Guiffre** served on the board for thirteen years and as Vice President for six years. Additionally, as President of the Connecticut Women's Forum, she showed great tenacity as a proponent of women in the workplace and was responsible for securing scholarship funding from the Connecticut Women's Forum, as well as additional financial gifts in support of full-time female students.

**Don Janezic** – the Foundation's longest standing Board Member – served for more than fourteen years and as Treasurer for seven years. In addition to his invaluable service, Don was responsible for securing significant contributions toward the Scholarship Program from

Bigelow Tea (where he serves as Chief Financial Officer). He also was responsible for the award of a \$238,998 grant from the Manufacturer's Association of Southern Connecticut Inc. (MASC) to support scholarship awards for HCC students pursuing studies in areas related to the manufacturing industry.

**Cynthia Payne** served for six years and was a member of the Planned Giving sub-committee of the Resource Development Committee. She worked diligently with fellow committee members to determine the criteria for offering Planned Giving to potential donors.

We also wish to welcome our newest Board Members: **Bruce Ennis**, Vice President, Human Resources at Bigelow Tea; **Cesar Garcia**, COO Premier Printing; **Rodolpho "Rudy" Garcia**, Branch Manager, Citi; **Roberta Hatch**, Senior Vice President, U.S. Trust – Northeast; and **Kevin Russo**, Supervisory Assistant State's Attorney, State of Connecticut, Division of Criminal Justice.







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