Dear Fellow Alumni and Friends,

My experience at Hudson Valley Community College was one of academic rigor, rich with extra-curricular activities and friendships that will last a lifetime. It provided a solid foundation for my later education and prepared me for my legal career today. I am honored to serve as the chairwoman of the Alumni Association, and I look forward to further developing our strong alumni community!

Check for alumni communications and upcoming events at www.hvcc.edu/alumni, or contact me directly at (518) 629-8012 to get involved.

Maxine Barasch ’01
Chairwoman, Alumni Association

Welcome, New Chairwoman!

I am excited to share with you that Maxine Barasch ’01 has accepted the role of Chairwoman of the Alumni Association. I look forward to working with Maxine not only in this capacity but also in her role as a member of the Hudson Valley Community College Foundation Board of Directors.

Maxine is very well respected in the Capital Region and sits on a number of committees with other Hudson Valley alumni. Maxine’s enthusiasm and energy will inspire other alumni to get involved and reconnect with their alma mater.

Connect with Maxine on Hudson Valley Community College’s Alumni Facebook page.

Drew Matonak
President, Hudson Valley Community College
Can you talk a bit about your trajectory through the Army and some of the missions you have been involved in?

I never intended to stay in the Army after my initial four-year commitment and always swore I would get out if I ever stopped having fun. It wasn’t long before I was captivated, not so much by the Army — but by the people that serve in it. It gave me an opportunity to be part of something bigger than myself and to try to make a positive difference in those around me. I found it both rewarding and fun. I enjoy continuous learning and am comfortable with change, so it turned out to be a good fit. Our soldiers are an incredible group and are some of the most successful people I have ever met. They have certainly held me to a higher standard than I ever would have held myself. Couple that with a fantastic family and I think I’m a pretty lucky guy. The Army has never been just a job — I’ve never watched the clock or counted my paystubs.

I like what I do and I like being associated with a great team. I’m not sure everyone can say that.

How about your current post — what does it involve?

I’m currently assigned as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics at headquarters, International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) located in Kabul, Afghanistan. I guess the best way to describe my duties — I’m the logistics advisor to General McChrystal who is the commander of ISAF. As such, we work with the 43 contributing nations (including the U.S.) to coordinate the force expansion and associated logistics and sustainment for the force. Afghanistan is a landlocked country with incredibly challenging terrain and very limited road and airfield infrastructure.

What advice would you give a young person who was just graduating from high school and thinking about his or her future?

My daughter graduates from high school in June, so it is a great question. I’m inspired by our young people and the promise they represent for our future. Although the job market has changed significantly over the years, I guess I’d offer the following as advice that can withstand the test of time: (1) be prepared to work hard — reliability counts; (2) grow every day — we never stop learning; (3) more importantly, don’t miss an opportunity to invest in others — make a positive difference in those around you; (4) change is the one constant — be prepared to adapt and manage change responsibly; (5) only you can give away your integrity, so guard it carefully; (6) finally, don’t underestimate the power of faith (the gift of believing).
Do you have fond — maybe fuzzy-with-the-years — memories of taking science classes in Brahan Hall at Hudson Valley Community College? Do the concepts of high-performance liquid chromatography and real-time PCR detection systems have special meaning for you?

If so, you’ll be glad to know that Hudson Valley is moving along with recently announced plans to build a new 100,000-square-foot science center boasting the latest in 21st-century technology in classrooms and laboratories. The building will be located to the west of Brahan Hall, which also will undergo significant renovations for reuse. It will house an estimated 33 laboratories, 18 classrooms, 60 offices, a conference room, student centers, and ample storage on four floors. The departments of Biology, Chemistry and Physics, as well as other science-related programs, will find a new home in the center.

"Hudson Valley Community College must be poised to offer a 21st-century education that meets the needs of the 21st-century workforce," said President Drew Matanok. "To do this, the college’s academic buildings must have the academic atmosphere and technology that empowers students to learn and to thrive in 21st-century laboratory settings."

Not only that, but in an era so mindful of ecological responsibility, the center’s planned building specifications are expected to result in Silver Certification — the third highest — from the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program of the U.S. Green Building Council. The LEED program encourages designers of new structures, as well as renovation projects, to strive toward national standards for energy and water conservation, air quality and carbon emission reduction and construction and operation of high-performance green buildings.

LEED-certified projects cost less to operate and maintain, are healthier and safer for occupants, and are a physical demonstration of the values of the organization that owns and occupies them.

The building is being designed by Mosaic Associates of East Greenbush, a firm that has been in business since 1865 and specializes in the design of educational, commercial and community facilities.

According to Hana Panek, AIA, a partner of Mosaic Associates, some of the green building features the company will propose are solar hot water equipment, solar window blinds and roof-mounted wind turbines, as well as low-flow fixtures throughout and reclaimed-water systems for water conservation.

Following a series of meetings between Mosaic staff and Hudson Valley faculty and staff to determine and assess specific needs for the new center — a process that is expected to take about a year — construction will begin in the summer of 2011. The anticipated completion date is the summer of 2013. The overall project also includes much-needed renovations to Amstuz Hall and Fitzgibbons Health Technologies Center.
As Upstate New York strengthens its role as Tech Valley, the need for technicians with a strong biotechnology background has become apparent. Community colleges are poised to train these much-needed technicians. Many of the biotechnology incubator companies that begin in Upstate end up leaving because they cannot find technicians needed to fill key positions. With a new Biological Sciences A.S. degree program and a Biotechnology certificate available, Hudson Valley is ready to meet the challenge of this imminent workforce need. Biotechnology is one of the most rapidly expanding sectors in the Capital Region, and instrument acquisition is key to Hudson Valley’s ability to meet this growing need.

Immunohistochemical stain of a cultured smooth muscle cell. Green staining actin and red staining myosin are two proteins involved in the contraction of muscle fibers. The orange/yellow areas represent regions where there is presence of both actin and myosin. Taken with a laser confocal microscope.

Some of the technologies that will be used in the science center are: high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) coupled with mass spectroscopy; nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR); confocal microscopes; flow cytometer and sorters; advanced digital microscopy; DNA sequencers; real-time PCR detection system; and automated protein/RNA electrophoresis.

Graduates from the college’s Science Programs have enjoyed much success:

- Graduates with Chemical Technician or Biotechnology degrees work as lab technicians in a variety of fields. Many of the college’s graduates work at the New York State Police forensic lab, for example, or work alongside research scientists at places like Regeneron or the Wadsworth Lab.

- Graduates of the Biological Sciences program generally are aiming at completing a four-year degree in medical science, veterinary science, dentistry, pharmacy or other research in science-related areas. The college has transfer agreements with Sage Colleges, Empire State College and SUNY Plattsburgh for this program.

- The Environmental Science major provides students with a strong foundation in biology, chemistry, the liberal arts and other environmental sciences such as zoology, botany and meteorology. Most of the students in this program also transfer to four-year schools. The college has transfer agreements with Russell Sage College, Plattsburgh and SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry.
Most folks who like to draw and write stories, never take that next step. How and why did you decide to become a professional illustrator and author? I’ve always loved to draw and make up stories, and finally decided after graduating from Hudson Valley Community College to have a go of making a living from it. Children’s books seemed like a fantastic field to express my creativity.

Has having a child inspired you to become a better writer? My son definitely keeps me on my writing toes. He’s always asking me to tell him a story, so I have to make something up off the cuff. I’ve found this keeps my writing juices flowing, and I’ve even developed some of the stories I’ve told him into possible book projects. He gives me endless material to draw from.

Have you ever thought about combining your careers and writing a children’s book about taking X-rays? I have thought about combining the two careers. I haven’t gotten around to it yet, but it’s something I plan on doing — probably animals taking x-rays or something. A dog having a CAT-scan… who knows?

Any new projects on the horizon? I’ve been trying to sell a picture book I’ve written and illustrated, and right now I’m in the process of revising it from the suggestion of an editor. It’s about a monster’s first day of kindergarten.

Five graduates of the Nursing program returned to campus this winter to help administer an H1N1 flu vaccination clinic at the McDonough Sports Complex. Bonnie Ferguson ’06, Stacey Dibone ’06, Amanda Rokjer ’08, Michele Schottenham ’89 and Julie Laurange (Kristensen) ’91 all work as public health nurses for the Rensselaer County Department of Health. The nurses were aided at the clinic by senior students in the college’s Nursing program. Each nurse oversees a special public health concern for the county, including lead poisoning, prenatal care, tuberculosis and sexually transmitted diseases. They also administer dozens of vaccination clinics around the county each year.


Recent Faculty Retirements

The following faculty members retired this fall. Their length of service is listed in parentheses.

Thomas G. Griesemer, Assistant Professor, Civil, Construction, Industrial and Mechanical Technologies (30 years)
Betty J. Mangold, Professor, Business Administration (27 years)
Robert J. Ormond, Assistant Professor, Automotive, Manufacturing and Electrical Engineering Technologies (52 years)
Vincent Pennisi, Professor, Business Administration (31 years)
M. Terri Pennisi, Professor, Business Administration (30 years)
Are you a former Hudson Valley Community College Athlete?

We want to hear from you. Let us know what sport you played, what year(s) you were a Viking and who your coach or coaches were. And tell us what you’re doing now. Send your information to athletics@hvcc.edu. We look forward to hearing from you!

FORMER VIKING ATHLETES!

GO VIKINGS!

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- Lance Cooley (Decatur, Decatur, GA) was honored as an NJCAA Defense Second Team All-American. Cooley helped to anchor a talented Viking defense as a defensive lineman/nose tackle. Kadeem Hall (West Deptford, Camden, NJ) made Northeast Football Conference First-Team Defense and First-Team Kick Return Specialist.

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WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

The Lady Vikings were 5-7 to begin the season and near the bottom of the Region III standings. The second half of the season was a different story as the team won 11 of its last 12 contests, finishing with a 16-8 record before going into the Region III tournament.

Hockey
With the NJCAA Hockey National Tournament held at Hudson Valley, the Viking hockey team has put together quite a campaign to be in the event as it ranked fourth in the country with a 15-4 record.

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Men’s Basketball
Ken Dagostino from the University at Albany replaced Andre Cook as head coach of the men’s basketball team. Dagostino had been the head of basketball operations with the Great Danes. Cook accepted a position as head coach at an NCAA scholarship-level school.

Under Dagostino, the Vikings finished the regular season with a 19-8 record. Sophomore guard Ramel Alexander (Berkshire, Albany) became a member of the Viking 1,000 Point Club, which only three other Vikings have accomplished in the program’s 55-year history. Alexander is the school’s third all-time leading scorer and is second all-time leader in rebounds and steals.

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Women’s Soccer
The women’s soccer team reached the Region III quarterfinals before losing to North Country Community College, 2-1. The men finished with a 9-8-1 record.

Men’s soccer striker Collin Legge (Maple Hill, Schodack) earned an All-Mountain Valley Conference selection for the 2009 season. Legge was the fifth leading goal scorer in the NJCAA and finished as the top scorer in the Mountain Valley Conference with 20 goals in a 16-game regular season.

Women’s Soccer
The women’s soccer team fell short of post-season play with a final record of 4-6-3.

Volleyball
The women’s volleyball team finished with a 3-15 record under first-year head coach Shelby Sayre. The squad showed huge gains throughout the second half of the season.
Did you know that the college has a fascinating history reaching back to post-Industrial and post-WWII Troy? Two WWII air force veterans, Colonel Lawrence Jarvie and Ralph O’Brien, an officer who had served with him, foresaw the need to provide technical training to local GIs returning to the workforce. Jarvie, working for the New York State Department of Education after the war, chose the Earl and Williams building at Broadway and Seventh avenues in Troy in which to open his long-dreamed-of Veterans Vocational School. The building had once been a collar-and-cuff factory for Troy’s shirt-making industry and had also housed an Army Signal Corps School. When, by the mid-1950s, the veterans’ school no longer had a purpose, it grabbed the notice of Troy Record newspaper editor, Dwight Marvin, whose insight and determination guided the school through its transition to a community college. An old dilapidated building, said to have a leaky roof, rotted window frames and uneven floors, the former factory required the efforts of faculty and staff in the very early years for maintenance and even some of the construction. Renamed Troy Technical College, the school rapidly began outgrowing that space and by 1960 its founders had acquired and began development of the present site on Vandenburgh Avenue.

In 1954, the name was tweaked into Hudson Valley Technical Institute and in 1959, at the suggestion of board of trustees member Hy Rosenblum, it came to be called Hudson Valley Community College. Hudson Valley was thought to be a better descriptor than Troy or Rensselaer County, because the school was meant to serve a much wider area than the city or the county encompassed.

The land on which the present campus now sits — its hillside perch on the southern edge of Troy — was farmland, and it was largely surrounded by farmland. It might be hard to envision now that the land is developed, but as late as 1960 from various points on the campus, cows from neighboring farms could still be seen grazing on the property.

Those really in-the-know at Hudson Valley Community College can tell you where on campus you’ll be safest in the event of a nuclear holocaust, where you’ll find yourself most scared, what the college’s oldest book is, what sport distinguished the school in the late 1960s, and what the most common student complaint is.

If you’re in need of a bomb shelter — circa the 1960s — you’ll find it in the basement of Guenther Enrollment Services Center complete with still-hanging Department of Defense Fallout Shelter Signs. The scariest place on campus is probably the basement of Fitzgibbons Hall where the Mortuary Science labs are located.
As much as things change, sometimes they still remain the same. Five of the present buildings on campus are those that formed the original quadrangle. Of course, renovations have been made over the years to accommodate growing staff and student populations and for purposes of updating classrooms and facilities, but A, B, C, D and E are still here. Confused by the lettering system? The buildings are, in order, Guenther, Amstuz, Lang, Higbee and Hudson halls. And in that original configuration, the first cafeteria was located in the south end of Hudson Hall — now the site of racquetball courts and the weight room. The library in our early years was housed in what is now the President’s Suite and the old gymnasium is now the construction lab in Hudson Hall. By the way, don’t overlook that other building — G — better known as The Grove. Who didn’t take classes there?

How many of you know that Hudson Valley has its very own anteater? Overseeing the comings and goings along a third floor corridor in Fitzgibbons Hall, near the Biology Department, Andrea the (stuffed) anteater lives in a glass cage. She came to Hudson Valley in 1973, the gift of Harold Fox of Fox’s Petting Zoo in West Sand Lake. Posted next to her is documentation telling you all you ever wanted to know about anteaters. And, by the way, rumor has it that Andrea does not like to be referred to as an aardvark.

**Give some thought to your days at Hudson Valley. You likely have your own stories to tell.**
E-mail us at alumni@hvcc.edu.

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How many of you know that when the football team started up in 1969, much to the delight of faculty, staff, students and community members, it was a unique sport for two-year colleges? So much so that Hudson Valley served as a model for other New York State community colleges looking to begin their own football squads and became one of the founding members of the Northeast Football Conference.

What bugged you the most when you were a student at Hudson Valley? The parking? Then you know what was, and still is, the most common student complaint.
Fellow Alumni, Community Partner and College Employee Honored

Last fall, Hudson Valley Community College recognized four individuals and one local hospital for their loyal dedication and service to the college and to the community. Three of the recipients are alumni.

Steven B. Bouchey ’78 of Troy, president and CEO of Bouchey Financial Group, Ltd., one of the region’s most distinguished financial investment firms, received Hudson Valley Community College’s Otto V. Guenther Career Achievement Award in recognition of his commitment to the college, its alumni and the Capital Region. Bouchey is a certified financial planner who has established himself as one the Capital Region’s most regarded experts in the financial services and management industry.

Debra Jean-Lashwa ’96 of Troy, director of activities and volunteer services at the Eddy Heritage Nursing Center, received the 1953 Award for Distinguished Service to Hudson Valley Community College by an Alumnus. Lashwa was recognized for her dedication to the college’s Human Services program and her active involvement with its advisory committee.

Dr. Richard H. Alfred of Slingerlands, a Board Certified Orthopedic Surgeon specializing in sports medicine at Capital Region Orthopedics, received the 1953 Award for Distinguished Service to Hudson Valley Community College by a Non-Alumnus. Dr. Alfred was honored for volunteering his medical expertise to the college and his commitment to students and athletics at Hudson Valley Community College.

Clement W. Campana ’81 of Troy, operations assistant of Physical Plant at Hudson Valley Community College, received the Dr. Frank Morgan, Jr. Humanitarian Service Award. Campana was honored as an alumnus who is actively involved in numerous non-for-profit organizations, especially the Troy Boys and Girls Club.

Judith E. Romano of Waterford, department chairperson of Dental Hygiene at Hudson Valley Community College, received the newest award, the Dr. Joseph J. Balmer Award for Service to the Hudson Valley Community College Foundation by a College Employee. Romano was recognized for her efforts in furthering the mission of Hudson Valley’s Foundation.

St. Peter’s Health Care Services/Steven P. Boyle, president and chief executive officer of St. Peter’s Health Care Services, received the Corporate Excellence Award in recognition of the hospital’s commitment to the college, its alumni and the Capital Region.

Hudson Valley Community College Foundation Awards More than $177,858 in Scholarships

In December, the Hudson Valley Community College Foundation awarded more than $177,858 in scholarships to 93 Hudson Valley students who are pursuing degrees in a variety of programs, including Nursing, Early Childhood Education, Civil Engineering Technology, Business Administration, Dental Hygiene and Physical Education.

Hudson Valley Community College Foundation scholarships are awarded based on a variety of criteria, including need, academic performance, civic involvement and academic program. The awards ranged from $200 to full tuition, books and fees, were put toward the students’ spring semester educational expenses.

Center for Service Learning and Civic Engagement

The concept of service learning is a simple one — students become more deeply engaged in learning when they can directly relate it to something tangible.

Over the past five years, the college’s Center for Service Learning and Civic Engagement has been a growing part of the humanities and social science curriculum at the college, engaging students in a variety of outside organizations, businesses and public service projects that relate directly to their curricula.

Recent service learning placements have seen students working in locales as diverse as the New York State Museum, the ARK Charter School in Troy and the U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants in Albany.

Research shows that 80 percent of students who are involved in service learning expressed a greater interest in continuing volunteer community service. If you know
SAVE THE DATE!

2010 Calendar of Events
The Hudson Valley Community College Foundation has planned a variety of events for alumni throughout the year to ensure they stay connected with their alma mater. Keep your eyes open for postcards and invitations to these events:

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If you would like additional information on any of the Foundation’s upcoming events, contact the Foundation at (518) 629-8012 or alumni@hvcc.edu.

Hudson Valley Community College students visited the New York State Capitol to meet State Legislators. Two students had the opportunity to tell Senator Roy McDonald about the importance of affordable higher education. Students Samantha Allen and Latoya Sanders were joined by college president Drew Matonak, vice president Sarah Boggess, and Board of Trustees member Donald Fane.

Are you a Hudson Valley graduate who holds political office? We want to know! Send your information to politicaloff ice@hvcc.edu. Tell us what political office you hold and where, and what year you graduated and with what degree.

Check the next issue of Valley View to see who is running your government. And if you want to connect sooner, share your information on Hudson Valley’s alumni Facebook page.

(or run) a community organization that would like to get involved in service learning, e-mail David Van Aken, the assistant director of the college’s service learning project, at d.vanaken@hvcc.edu.

Project Aware
Across campus, another group of students is reaching out through the counseling center’s Project Aware, a peer education group that creates a wide-ranging support structure for students and provides valuable experience for those interested in psychology, counseling and other helping professions.

Students involved in Project Aware promote healthy lifestyle choices, particularly in regard to alcohol and drugs, and help raise awareness of mental health issues that often arise during the college years. The peer educators involved in the group may become Certified Peer Educators through the BACCHUS Network, a national university and community based network focusing on comprehensive health and safety initiatives.

In less than a year, the group has quickly become one of the most visible student organizations on campus. It has sponsored several awareness programs in the Siek Campus Center and even staged a 5K race in the fall — the Race Away Stigma 5K Race & Fun Walk.

For more information about Project Aware, contact Michael Washco, the head of Project Aware, at m.washco@hvcc.edu.

Web sites
Project Aware: www.hvcc.edu/cct/aware
Service Learning: www.hvcc.edu/servicelearning

“Meeting Senator McDonald was amazing. He has a lot of important goals, beliefs and initiatives. He made us (the students) feel very comfortable and important to the work he is doing. As a graduate of Hudson Valley Community College, the Senator spoke highly of the college and is proud of his college beginnings.”

— Latoya Sanders
New Programs
This past year, the college added a new degree program in 
**Theatre Arts**, which currently has an enrollment of 21 students. Two new certificate programs, **Biotechnology** and **Bereavement Studies**, were also added in the fall.

Academic topics in the Theatre Arts program include acting, theatrical design and stage management. From the ancient Greek roots of comedy and tragedy to contemporary realism, students are given a strong foundation in theatre arts that prepares them to continue their studies at a four-year institution.

Over the last several years, the growth and progress in the field of biotechnology have been tremendous. With innovation and technological development increasing, companies in a variety of industries are looking to hire those with strong laboratory skills. To address that demand, the new Biotechnology certificate program was developed to prepare students for immediate employment in the areas of health science, pharmaceutical development, medical diagnostics, basic research and forensics.

The Bereavement Studies Certificate is designed to offer specialized training in the ways that people grieve after the loss of a loved one. The program also provides an opportunity for those individuals already working in the field to receive advanced training in this area.

**$3.5 Million Awarded to Hudson Valley Community College**

Last fall, the college was awarded a $3.5-million grant from the United States Department of Energy. The grant will be used to provide training to the Northeast Solar Workforce Training Project, a Hudson Valley-led program that has established a network of certified instructors across the Northeast, which will have a significant positive impact on the photovoltaic industry and the promotion of sustainable renewable energy. It is intended to address the critical need in New York for qualified solar system installers.

New Parking Garage to Open in August
The college’s new parking garage is right on schedule to open this August and will hold approximately 800 cars. Three hundred spaces will be dedicated to faculty/staff and the remaining 500 spaces will be for students.

A 350-ton crane was needed to erect the garage, made of 533 precast concrete sections — some sections weighing as much as 40 tons. At 28-feet wide, the “stick” (contractor lingo) can handle a boom of 225-feet and has the capability of picking up each concrete section and placing it a considerable distance away — and it only takes one operator to man it.

**Did you know? Two flags sat at the top of the crane — an American flag and a checkered flag. The American flag was for patriotism, but what about the checkered flag? It helps the operator know the direction of the wind so he or she can plan how to pick up and swing the concrete sections.**

TEC-SMART Opens for Classes!
Hudson Valley Community College’s newest facility, TEC-SMART (Training and Education Center for Semiconductor Manufacturing and Alternative and Renewable Technologies), opened Monday, Jan. 25, 2010. More than 160 students are taking English, math, history and sociology, to name just a few classes being held at the facility. And the Semiconductor Manufacturing seniors are completing their program in TEC-SMART’s new semiconductor lab. The facility features state-of-the-art laboratories that will be used to train the workforce in semiconductor manufacturing and green technologies, including photovoltaic, geothermal, alternative fuels and wind energy. For more information, visit www.hvcc.edu/tecsmart.