Students, faculty, and staff were on hand on February 18th for a celebration in honor of the 60th anniversary of Jamestown Community College.

A warm welcome was extended to those gathered by President Gregory DeCinque, followed by remarks from Kristy Woodfield, Student Senate president for the Jamestown campus. She highlighted some of the changes that have happened over the years, noting that the college’s classes were originally held on the third floor of Jamestown High School during the inaugural year, and that the original ‘Muskies’ mascot from earlier years was eventually changed to the current ‘Jayhawks.’

As part of the celebration, students were treated to live music from steel drum band Trinidad and Tobago. Refreshments were also served.

JCC, founded in 1950 as a predominantly transfer, liberal arts oriented institution, was the first community college chartered by the State University of New York. 150 students were enrolled that first year.

Sixty years later, the college has produced more than 16,000 graduates. Thousands more have benefited from the school’s opportunities, including liberal arts transfer degree programs for the university-bound, occupational skills for the career-minded, and specialized training programs for business and industry.

The remarkable development of the college is a tribute to a dedicated faculty and administration, combined with support and encouragement from the officials and citizens of its service area.
Dear Graduate,

This issue of the JCC alumni magazine is chock-full of wonderful news. First and foremost, we are celebrating the 60th anniversary of the chartering by the State University of New York of JCC as the very first community college in the state. It’s great to be first but, more importantly, we are proud that over the past 60 years we have become one of the very best. Our graduation and retention rates and the success of our students transferring to complete bachelor’s programs or entering the workforce remain among the very top of community colleges nationally and within the state. You can rest assured that the quality educational experience that you had at JCC continues today.

We are proud of the accomplishments of our alumni and you will certainly enjoy the alumni profiles in this issue of Susan Heppenstall ’87 and Thu Trung Van ’77. Take a look also at the women’s basketball alumni game results. It was an exceptional year for our women’s basketball program as coach Keith Martin led the Jayhawks to the regional championship for the first time since 1976 and narrowly missed a trip to the nationals. You can be certain that the great tradition begun by our athletic alumni is going strong today.

Over the past several years we have worked to globalize and diversify our campuses. Our students are engaging in more study abroad opportunities and we are bringing more international students to our campuses. I think you will be impressed with the JCC students who traveled to China over the semester break as part of a statewide SUNY initiative involving over 200 students, faculty, and administrators. Thanks to assistant professor of history Jon O’Brien ’84 who accompanied our students. At the same time professors Greg Rabb and Martha Zenns took a group of students to Ireland to participate in a European Union simulation. As usual, we were the only community college to participate with four-year colleges and universities from around the world.

If you are in the area, please stop by and say hello or visit one of our campuses and see for yourself the great things happening at JCC.

Read on and enjoy.

Sincerely,

Gregory T. DeCinque
President

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JCC Alumna Providing Healthcare In Zimbabwe

by Dave Emke ’01

Calling the nation “totally captivating” with people that are “incredible,” Susan Heppenstall ’87 has been working for the past several years to make Zimbabwe a better place for its people.

Mrs. Heppenstall, who received a degree in nursing from JCC more than 25 years after graduating from Dickinson College in Pennsylvania with a sociology degree, first visited the African nation in 2006 on a visit with Global Ministries. She’d always had an interest in African culture, and the New Hampshire native would find herself in a country full of people she would come to care for deeply.

“I had a basic interest in human services to start with, studying sociology and anthropology and just being fascinated by other cultures,” she said. “When I got to a point in my life when the kids were in college and on their own and I could spend some time, I started actively looking (for a chance to explore those cultures).”

While it was Global Ministries’ choice to send her to Zimbabwe and not her own, Mrs. Heppenstall said that the connection that was made between herself and the nation was instantaneous. And though the medical issues she found people facing there were much different from those she was familiar with treating in New England, creating a steep learning curve, it was a step Mrs. Heppenstall was more than willing to take.

“We don’t really see malaria, tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS so much in New Hampshire, so it was a big learning experience from the medical point of view,” she said. “And though these people have little or nothing, they would like to share their last bread with you - and we were told before we went by a person from Global Ministries that you have to let them do that. It’s just such a startling contrast.”

Struck by a desire to continue to help these selfless people individually, Mrs. Heppenstall - along with friend and fellow registered nurse Ann Leroux - started A Light For Zimbabwe, a non-profit organization that sends food, medical supplies, clothing and other necessities to the families of Southeastern Zimbabwe, primarily those in the province of Manicaland. But the purpose behind the organization is more than just giving handouts, she said. It’s about providing empowerment for people who desperately need it.

“Our focus for the future is going to be about empowerment and, if we can, self-sustainability,” Mrs. Heppenstall said of the goals of the organization. “Education is about the most empowering tool one can have.”

In Zimbabwe, Mrs. Heppenstall said, there are two kinds of orphans. The “lucky ones,” she said, are those who live in orphanages. The rest live on their own in child-headed households, and those are the ones that A Light For Zimbabwe would like to focus upon helping.

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JCC Students Enjoy “Experience of a Lifetime” in China

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In the aftermath of an earthquake that crippled the Sichuan Province in China, the State University of New York opened its doors to 150 Chinese students.

Two years later, the Chinese government returned the favor by allowing more than 200 SUNY students and administrators to tour China.

“In response to the spring 2008 earthquake in Sichuan Province, China, the State University of New York and the Levin Institute launched an unprecedented humanitarian effort and brought 150 Chinese college students whose educational experiences had been disrupted by the earthquake to SUNY colleges and universities for the 2008-09 academic year,” said Nelson J. Garifi Jr., JCC executive director of marketing and academic initiatives.

JCC hosted five students from China - one of 22 SUNY campuses selected to host students.

In an expression of gratitude, the Chinese government invited 200 SUNY students and additional representatives to China for a two-week visit. Between the fall 2009 and spring 2010 semesters, sophomores Jordan Brown and Becky Chriscaden and Jon O’Brian, JCC assistant professor of history, joined the rest of the SUNY group to experience all China has to offer in person.

“arbitrarily in large slabs at the supermarkets. In their hotel, the heat and electric weren’t turned on, although temperatures were in the 50s. In order to turn utilities on, they needed a key. They did eventually get heat. “We saw a lot of energy conservation in China,” Ms. Chriscaden said. Water was also conserved at the hotel.

The students stayed at a government-owned hotel which they said was very charming. They toured the cities and participated in many cultural activities. They received a tour of the University in Beijing. The second week of the trip, students broke into small groups and stayed at a hotel on campus where there were seven girls to a dorm.

While at the university, the students noticed how different their educational experience compared to the one they receive in the United States. “A lot of Chinese students want to come here to learn and change their major,” Ms. Chriscaden said. Once a Chinese student selects their major, they may not change it. Another interesting fact they learned is that the students are not allowed to ask questions during class. They can only listen. “They study so much there,” Ms. Brown said, noting there are tables and tables of students studying from books, not laptops, in complete silence.

As for O’Brien, he said the trip was a great experience for him. It was an opportunity to meet with fellow teachers and administrators who expressed a great interest in sending their teachers to the United States to see how the school and teachers perform their duties here. Shadowing them, sitting in on their classes and co-teaching is also of utmost interest to them. They met in hopes of creating more opportunities for ICC students to travel and study in China, according to O’Brien. “JCC might offer one month courses over the summer to give the Chinese students an English immersion experience,” O’Brien said.

As part of their visit, the students visited the “silk market,” which is a five-story building full of goods for sale. The items are all unmarked and shoppers bargain for the best price. “The things are very cheap if you’re good at bargaining,” Ms. Chriscaden said. If you’re not, you can get ripped off, she said, adding “it was a fun experience.”

For more information about Mrs. Heppenstall’s work in Zimbabwe, visit www.alightforzimbabwe.org
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Marilyn Gerace ‘88 has been promoted to assistant professor at Jamestown Community College, and teaches criminal justice on the Cattaraugus County Campus. She earned an associate’s degree at JCC, a bachelor’s degree at the State University of New York at Fredonia, and a master’s degree in criminal justice at Buffalo State College. She began teaching criminal justice and political sciences courses at JCC as an adjunct instructor in 2000.

Meme Yanetsko ‘88 has been named chief operating officer of the Greater Olean Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Yanetsko has worked for the chamber for the past 18 years. She also serves as president of the JCC Cattaraugus County Alumni Association.

Randall Lewis ’93 has joined The Resource Center in Jamestown as the agency’s corporate counsel. He was previously with the law firm of Fessenden, Laumer & DeAngelo. After earning an associate’s degree at JCC, he received a bachelor’s degree from SUNY Fredonia and a law degree from Albany Law School of Union University. He is a member of the Jamestown and New York state bar associations.

Tammy Smith ‘91 has been promoted to assistant professor at Jamestown Community College, and is counselor in the Counseling and Career Development Center on the Jamestown Campus. She earned an associate’s degree at JCC, bachelor’s degree at SUNY Fredonia, and a master’s degree at Old Dominion University. She teaches criminal justice and political science courses at JCC as an adjunct instructor in 2000.

Kari Degnan ’00 has been promoted to manager for the Youngsville, PA office of Northwest Savings Bank.

Tiffany Wakely ‘00 is engaged to marry Mark Heintzman. An August 2010 wedding is planned.

Brian Cook ’03 married Molly Smith on November 21, 2009 at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Jamestown. The couple resides in Jamestown.


Reginald Cole ’04 is engaged to marry Erin Bell. An August 2010 wedding is planned.

Ryan Cobb ’05 is engaged to marry Adria Terrill ’06. An April 2010 wedding is planned.

Kristi (Dean) Senske ’05 married Cory Senske on September, 12, 2009 at Sts. Peter and Paul Roman Catholic Church in Jamestown. After a honeymoon in Las Vegas, NV, the couple resides in Jamestown.

Adria Terrill ‘06 is engaged to marry Ryan Cobb ’05. An April 2010 wedding is planned.

Christine Peterson ’06 is engaged to marry Matthew Emmick. An August 2010 wedding is planned.

Rochelle Wiltzie ’09 is engaged to marry Matthew Slaven. A September 2010 wedding is planned.

Tatyana Eckstrand ’82 has authored The Librarian’s Book of Quotes, published by the American Library Association in 2009. She is a project manager and senior cataloger for the Donohue Group, Inc., a library contract services firm located in Windsor, CT.

Katie Smith ’71 has been appointed executive director of the YWCA of Westfield, NY. A former director of the Chautauqua County Office for the Aging, Katie is a member of the JCC Jamestown Alumni Association board of directors.

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NOTES

Stanley A. Weeks, who with his wife, Sarita Hopkins Weeks, were significant benefactors to JCC, died on January 7, 2010, at the age of 97.

“Jamestown Community College has lost a dear friend and strong supporter,” said JCC President Gregory DeCinque.

Mr. Weeks served as mayor of Jamestown during 1952 and 1953, formative years for the college. He and Sarita, who was a charter member of the college’s board of trustees and who died in 2004, supported the college generously with their time, talent, and resources through a span of over five decades.

The Weeks name is honored, and now memorialized, across the Jamestown Campus through the Stanley A. Weeks Boardroom and the Stanley A. Weeks Teleconference Hall. The Weeks Gallery is named for both Mr. and Mrs. Weeks, and the Weeks Reception Hall is named for Mrs. Weeks.

“The Weeks’ passion for education and culture will enrich both the college and the community for many decades to come,” added President DeCinque.

with the pandas, much closer than permitted at zoos back home. Forbidden City received its name because at one time, the common people weren’t allowed to enter.

The students drew a lot of attention everywhere they went - especially in Sichuan. The Chinese don’t see a lot of commoners there, according to the students, and the people wanted their pictures taken with them. “They don’t see Westerners a lot,” Brown said. “They are admiring of the U.S. So many random students want to come and study in the U.S.,” Ms. Chirsarden said. There is a definite interest among young Chinese for coming to the U.S. for education, short-term or long-term, according to O’Brien. JCC offers certificate programs for students with this interest.

The students received an offer to come back to China after they receive their bachelor’s degree to teach at the university. According to the students, as long as a student has their bachelor’s degree, they’ll be accepted. “It was amazing,” said Chirsarden.

JCC offers a variety of study abroad opportunities to students including semester and year-long experiences through the College Consortium of International Studies and a variety of short-term experiences. During the holiday break JCC had a small group of students and faculty in Ireland as a capstone to a fall semester European Union simulation course. A larger group will travel to Italy in March as part of a painting course. Currently JCC is enrolling students for a summer Spanish course based in Guatemala. “We are proud to tell students that, “You can see the world from JCC,” Garfit said.
Alumni Athletes Honored

Two JCC alumni athletes were honored on January 23, 2010 for their accomplishments during the 2008-09 academic year.

Kari Barmore was recognized by the Western New York Athletic Conference as its outstanding female athlete of the year. She was also named an NJCAA Division III women’s volleyball All-American and a Region 3 Division II first team all-star.

In addition to volleyball, Barmore also played on the JCC women’s basketball team.

Nat Barone was named the WYNAC male sophomore of the year. He was named an NJCAA Division III All-American for baseball and was also named to the Region 3 Division III first team. In basketball, he was named to the Region 3 Division II second team.

Both were also recognized for their accomplishments in 2009 at the Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame’s 29th annual induction banquet.

Lady Jayhawks Annual Alumni Game

Seventeen former Lady Jayhawks returned to campus for this year’s alumni women’s basketball game, held on Saturday, January 23, and were cheered on by over 100 enthusiastic fans.

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Alumni Profile: Thu Trung Van

It was a long road to Jamestown Community College for Thu Trung Van ’77.

Thu, an officer in the South Vietnamese Navy during the nation’s battle with its Communist counterparts to the north, was summoned into a commander’s office late one night in 1975. South Vietnam was surrendering to the Communists, and Thu and his fellow officers were being given a chance to make a split-second decision: join the new regime or defect.

Gathering his family in the dead of night, Thu led them onto a destroyer that sailed into the South China Sea. The ship sailed to the Philippines, where its occupants were transferred to a smaller ship that sailed to Guam, a territory of the United States.

Thu and his family eventually arrived as refugees in a small town in Pennsylvania, from which he was able to contact Rolland Kidder, a Jamestown area resident with whom he had served and formed a friendship with during the Vietnam War. Thu was coming to Jamestown -- and though he had received a naval education in Vietnam, he had no paperwork to prove any of it.

“In order to make a good future (in the United States), I knew I had to go back to school,” Thu said.

Filling out an application to JCC, Thu told the college what he could.

“...I told them I finished high school in Vietnam and that I wanted to continue on with my education,” he said. “I don’t know what they did for a background check -- I don’t have any idea. It was just up to me to prove myself.”

JCC was able to offer Thu a modest financial aid package, he said, as well as some work study programs. He also worked full-time at Jamestown General Hospital to support himself and his family while working toward his associate degree in accounting, he said.

“During that time I didn’t have a car or anything, so I had to go by bike to school and everywhere,” he said. “I had to go up the hill, and it was a little bit cold during the fall semester. It was quite an experience, but you had to just keep going.”

Thu just kept going and performed admirably at JCC, earning a 3.5 GPA and his associate’s degree. Being familiar with the tropical climate of South Vietnam, however, he and his family decided that life in Jamestown wasn’t for them. Thu transferred to the University of North Florida in Jacksonville to earn his bachelor’s degree. He then settled into a career in accounting with the Shell Oil Co., retiring in 2004.

Though his life in the United States has been long and fruitful, in much a warmer climate, he still credits JCC for giving him his initial opportunity to prove himself.

“They helped me to improve my English and have some basic education, to know a little more about U.S. history and all kinds of things,” Thu said. “Somehow JCC accepted me, and that’s pretty good.”

Sayegh Appointed Vice President/Dean At JCC

Jean (John) Sayegh of Allegany will be the newest member of Jamestown Community College’s administrative team. His appointment as vice president/dean of the Cattaraugus County Campus, continuing education, and external partnerships was announced by JCC President Gregory T. DeCinque.

In addition to having daily oversight responsibilities for the Cattaraugus County Campus in Olean, Sayegh will have college-wide duties that include overseeing non-credit instruction and programming.

Sayegh’s most recent post was as director of economic development, planning, and tourism for Cattaraugus County while also serving as executive director of the Cattaraugus County Business Development Corporation - Small Business Assistance Program and export coordinator for the Southern Tier including Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Chautauqua counties. He served as chief operating officer of the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce and the Cattaraugus Empire Zone Corporation from August 2001 to June 2009 and as community development director for the city of Olean from 1999 to 2001. In addition, he has been a long-time member of the adjunct business faculty at both JCC and St. Bonaventure University.

A graduate of Miami Dade Community College, Sayegh continued his studies to earn a bachelor’s degree in business administration at Florida International University and a master’s degree in business administration at St. Bonaventure.

Sayegh currently serves as a member of the Industrial Management Council, an advisory board member of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany Motherhouse, and a board member of the Cattaraugus County Business Development Corporation and Leadership Cattaraugus. He previously was a member of the Chamber Executives of the Western New York Chamber Alliance, a board member of Olean General Hospital, and a board member and chairman of the Cattaraugus Rehabilitation Center, Inc. and the Cattaraugus County Rehabilitation Fund, Inc.
Susan Carlson Book Fund Established
A Gift to Nursing Students and To Mom

Susan Carlson had always dreamed of becoming a nurse. When she graduated from high school in the Niagara Falls area, she enrolled in a nursing program. Sadly, her father was diagnosed with lymphoma shortly afterwards and her career plans had to be placed on hold.

It was only after Susan was married and had a young family living in Olean that she decided to once again follow her dream to become a nurse. She enrolled in the nursing program on JCC’s Cattaraugus County Campus and maintained the difficult balance of being a full-time mom and working through an aggressive nursing curriculum. Reflecting on her mother’s experience, Natalie Certo stated, “It was an arduous process for her since she still had children and a home to take care of. She took school very seriously though and worked extremely hard to do well in her classes.”

In 1992, Susan graduated from JCC and was later employed as a nurse at Olean General Hospital.

This past holiday season, the Carlson’s family wanted to collectively get their mother a gift. They wanted to give something that would represent her greatest strength as well as help someone in return.

"Whenever she referred to her education at JCC, she described it as a great experience that taught her so much,” said Ms. Certo. The family decided unanimously that a book scholarship at JCC for non-traditional nursing students would embody their goals well.

The family worked with the JCC Foundation to create the Susan Carlson Book Fund. The fund provided a scholarship to JCC nursing student April Krisher for the 2009-2010 academic year.

We are deeply touched by this gift all the way around. Being a student in the nursing curriculum can be very expensive," stated Jill Ballard, director of development for the JCC Foundation. “The Susan Carlson Book Fund is a wonderful way to help alleviate some of those costs. In addition, Susan Carlson’s story exemplifies many of our alumni experiences at JCC. This experience has been a great reminder of what our work here is all about."

On Christmas Eve, the family presented Carlson with two framed documents from the JCC Foundation describing the scholarship and information about the first student recipient. Carlson read the documents aloud. Danielle Eaton, Susan’s daughter, remarked, “It was wonderful. Lots of happy tears were shed!”

For more information about the Susan Carlson Book Fund or information about creating a fund, contact the JCC Foundation at 716.376.7590 or via email at jillballard@mail.sunyjcc.edu.

Planning Underway for Foundation Golf Tournaments

Spring is here and many college and foundation employees, along with volunteers from the community, have been busy preparing for the two annual golf tournaments to be held in May.

The JCC Foundation golf tournaments provide critical support to the college’s athletic programs, with over 80% of the proceeds directly supporting scholarships for student athletes. Proceeds from these events also support the purchase of uniforms and equipment.

This year, the Jamestown Campus golf tournament will be held at the Chautauqua Golf Club on Saturday, May 15. The Cattaraugus County Campus tournament will be held at the Bartlett Country Club on Wednesday, May 26.

Volunteers provide critical support for these events, and many opportunities are available for students, staff, alumni and community members to help make the tournaments a success.

Sponsors are needed to ensure another successful year of fundraising for athletics. Those who are interested to learn more about sponsorships or volunteer opportunities should contact the Foundation office at 716.338.1010 or foundation@mail.sunyjcc.edu.
Sheldon and Hultquist Foundations Are “LEED” Science Facility Donors

Visitors to the Jamestown Campus will notice structural steel and a new concrete foundation in place behind the Carnahan Center. Contractors have been busy since last fall working on a new green science facility that is projected for completion by January 2011.

Ellen Lehning, associate professor of biology, notes, “The building will contain visible green technology with an emphasis on sustainable living. Exposing students to that at the beginning of their college career could lead to a lifetime of environmental advocacy, and will impact their choice of further education, profession, and how they live at home. The importance of helping students internalize this as a way of life cannot be underestimated.

“In addition, the building is going to contain research spaces in which students will have open access to go in, work, and explore science. The opportunity to learn how to discover and uncover knowledge will provide them with skills that they will be able to use in a variety of professional formats, and we’re hoping it will lead to a generation of new biotech and environmental industries locally.”

There is an excitement within the campus community about the opportunities for future science students at JCC and the greater community. Two local foundations, the Ralph C. Sheldon Foundation and the Hultquist Foundation, are the lead donors of the project. Both foundations each made a generous $1,000,000 commitment to the JCC Foundation.

Linda Swanson, executive director of the Ralph C. Sheldon Foundation, stated, “The Sheldon Foundation has been a strong contributor to JCC and has awarded significant grants to almost every capital project on the Jamestown Campus over the past 50 years. We awarded this grant with the intent that JCC remain competitive in attracting and educating local students so that they may provide the skills and talents needed by our community. It is hoped that our investment in this public post-secondary educational facilities will give our students an opportunity to earn sufficient income to support their families and in turn sustain our local economy.”

“The Hultquist Foundation, carrying on the tradition of the Hultquist family since the founding of JCC, believes that the college is very important to the financial well-being of the southwestern New York area,” said Thomas Flowers, president of the Hultquist Foundation. “Recognizing that a new science building is needed for the Jamestown Campus and the increasing importance of the green economy to the country, the Hultquist Foundation believed that its $1,000,000 investment in this project was warranted.”

“Our relationship with both the Hultquist Foundation and the Sheldon Foundation has been a strong one for many years and is one that we hold in high regard,” said JCC President Gregory T. DeCinque. “We continue to be deeply grateful to the leadership of both foundations for their amazing commitment to Jamestown Community College.”

Wallace Joins Foundation Board

Daniel J. Wallace of Allegany has been appointed to the JCC Foundation board of directors.

Wallace, human resources director at Dresser-Rand Company, earned a bachelor’s degree at Penn State University and a master’s degree at Syracuse University. He is a member of the Regional Community Development Council and Southern Tier Advanced Manufacturing Institute. He is also a member of the Archbishop Walsh Academy board of directors.

Lake Shore Savings Bank Supports JCC Funding Priorities

Lake Shore Savings Bank has made a $60,000 donation to the JCC Foundation by establishing the Lake Shore Savings Bank USA Scholarship and providing a gift to the college’s green science facility, which is currently under construction on the Jamestown Campus.

The first Unified Student Assistance (USA) Endowed Scholarship was established at JCC in 1979 through private donations. Community and college leaders wanted to guarantee that the most talented students in JCC’s service area would be able to start their college careers at JCC. USA scholarships cover the cost of tuition at JCC (less public financial aid assistance such as TAP and PELL) for Regents diploma students graduating in the top 20% of their high school classes.

Fundraising for the USA scholarship program has been a priority at the college for several years and will continue to be one in the future.

David Mancuso, president of Lake Shore Savings Bank, said the bank and its leadership are happy to support the college and spoke fondly about the friendship between JCC and Lake Shore Savings Bank.

“JCC is an important part of our community and we know the importance of the USA scholarship program to students in our area. We are happy to partner with JCC and hope our gift will continue to benefit students in our area for many years to come.”
2008-09 Reflections

Dear Friends,

We would like to extend our appreciation to each member of the JCC family -- alumni, friends, faculty, staff, and parents -- for their support of the JCC Foundation during the 2008-2009 fiscal year. Although this past year has been economically challenging, we are deeply touched by many who were inspired to stretch their giving or make a first time gift. Total giving for this period in terms of commitments and gifts was $1,444,371.

As we express our gratitude, it is important that we share how giving during this time has, or will, make an impact on students at Jamestown Community College. Gifts and commitments during this fiscal year were made to support the Annual Fund, scholarships (annual and endowed), technology, the arts, and athletics. Here are a few highlights:

- $317,626 was raised in support of student scholarship funds.
- $1,036,334 was raised in support of our new “green” science facility currently under construction on the Jamestown Campus.

The JCC Foundation is creating a strategic plan which will help sustain the growth of Jamestown Community College. As we go through this exciting process, we are reminded that the work we do is all about placing our students first. We are grateful for the many benefactors who remain dedicated to supporting JCC and the JCC Foundation. Our endurance comes from the commitment of people like you.

Thank you for your support
The JCCF Team

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2009 JCC Foundation Report

Jamestown Community College Foundation, Inc.
Financial Statements

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The 2009 Scholarship Luncheon honored donors and students. Seated, from left: John Garfoot, Executive Director, JCC Foundation and Vice President of Administration, JCC, Lance Spicer, President, JCC Board of Trustees, Mark Maytum, JCC Foundation Board of Directors, Dan Siracuse, DFT Communications. Standing, from left: Gregory T. DeCinque, President, Jamestown Community College, Pamela Duvall, Brady Duvall, Hadley Weinberg, President, JCC Foundation Board of Directors.
John D. Hamilton Society

The prestigious John D. Hamilton Society is comprised of donors who generously made unrestricted or restricted gifts of at least $250 during the 2008-09 fiscal year to the Jamestown Community College Foundation.

The JCC Foundation established the John D. Hamilton Society in 1995 in recognition of Mr. Hamilton’s exemplary service and dedication to Jamestown Community College. Long active in community affairs, Mr. Hamilton was among the devoted community leaders who worked diligently to see Jamestown Community College chartered in 1950 as the first community college in the State University of New York. Mr. Hamilton served as the college president and was a member of the JCC Board of Trustees.

Today, we honor Mr. Hamilton and our JDH Society members for their leadership, philanthropy, and strong commitment to Jamestown Community College.

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The foundation is an independent, not-for-profit organization which develops, maintains, and manages an endowment to support projects and activities deemed to be compatible, complementary, and consistent with the mission of the college.

Every effort has been made to avoid errors in this annual report. Please notify us and accept our sincere apologies for any inadvertent errors.

JCC Foundation’s asset allocation strategy, commitment to “best-in-class” investment managers, and low investment expenses has limited downside risk while producing good relative results over the past several years. For the 3-year period ending August 31, 2009, the stock market’s (S&P 500 Index) total return was -5.8%, the Treasury bond market’s (Barclay’s U.S. Treasury Bond Index) total return was 3.3%, and the Foundation’s total return was -2.4% after all investment expenses. For the same period, the Foundation’s benchmark Policy Index was 2.9%. During the Fiscal Year ended August 31, 2009, the stock market’s total return was -18.3%, the Treasury bond market’s total return was 1.3%, and the Foundation’s total return was -12.1%.

As of the fiscal year ending August 31, 2009, our endowment totaled $6,577,474. A total of $510,098 scholarship dollars was made available to 348 students in the 2008-09 academic year.

The sole purpose of the Jamestown Community College Foundation is to benefit Jamestown Community College.
MAY 26
18th Annual JCC Scholarship Classic Golf Tournament, 1 p.m. shotgun start, Bartlett Country Club. The event is a fundraiser for JCC athletics scholarships. Call 716.376.7529 to register.

JULY 7-11
National Junior College Athletic Association Division 3 men’s golf championship Chautauqua Golf Club. Featuring teams and individual qualifiers from nearly 40 two-year colleges, sponsored by JCC. Call 716.338.1180 for information.

JULY 6
Summer Session II begins. Visit www.sunyjcc.edu for course listings.