

MAY 2024

## President's Report



## 2024 STUDENT AWARDS BANQUET HONORS STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

SCC celebrated student achievement at the annual Student Awards Banquet, held Thursday, April 25, at Ameristar. The event honors outstanding students in the classroom and in leadership roles on campus.

**Anita Dzeremo** received the President's Rising Star Award and Scholarship for her leadership in her work, academic, and civic pursuits. She is an international student who has immersed herself in SCC culture. She is an active student leader, a member of the Track & Field team, a student worker in the Marketing Department, and volunteers to assist in campus engagement activities.

**Breanna Lewis** received the Maria Espinoza Presidential Leadership Award and Scholarship, an award given to a student who has made outstanding contributions to the campus. Breanna was selected for her dedication, academics, service, and leadership in the Multicultural Student Association.

**The 2024 Student Award Winners are listed by category.**

**School of Adult Education and Literacy, ESL, & Continuing Education:** Shaibi Bila (Outstanding ESL Student Award), Rhiannon Lemond (Outstanding Adult Education Student Award), Maryana Hado (Outstanding International Student).

**School of Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences:** Kirill Slabun (Outstanding Visual Arts Student Award), Dharma Hotmer (Outstanding Art Student Award), Hailey Smith (Outstanding Theatre Student Award), Outstanding Theatre Technical Performance Student Award, Landis Buckley (Outstanding Theatre Unsung Award), Peter Shea (Outstanding Music Student Award), Kennedy Webb (Outstanding Social Sciences Student Award), Janika Bell (Outstanding Reading Award), Lucas Schultz (Annie Dillard Award), Thandizo Chifungo (EB White Award), Matthew Evans (Student of Promise Award), Adam Vaughan (Durkheim Award for Sociology and Anthropology).

**School of Business, Technology, & Workforce Readiness:** Patrick Baue (Outstanding Business Student Award), Athul Jaishankar (Outstanding Technology Student Award), Ethan

Gottschall (Outstanding Accounting Student Award), Tiffany Broz (Outstanding Digital Media Student Award), Wesley Wright (Outstanding Workforce Readiness/Welding Student Award).

**School of Health Sciences: Human Services: & Natural Resources:** Samantha Moonier (Outstanding Agriculture Student Award), Kayla West (Outstanding Culinary/Baking Student Award), Megan Foster (Outstanding Education Student Award), Anthony Freund (Outstanding Occupational Therapy Assistant Award), Tehya Schemkes (Outstanding Nursing Student Award), Khijharona Linnear (Advocacy in Nursing Award), Danyelle Williams (Compassionate Care in Nursing Award).

**School of Mathematics & Sciences:** Nicholas Johnson (Outstanding Math Student Award), Milo Kirn (Outstanding Chemistry Student Award), Thi Quynh Nhu Le (Outstanding Biology Student Award).

**Outstanding Service to Student Organizations:** Hugh Metz & Tiffany Broc (Outstanding Service to Phi Theta Kappa), Ashley Cole (Outstanding Service to Student Nursing Organization), Emily George (Outstanding Service to Student Missouri State Teachers Association), Janessa Diez-Melo (Outstanding Service to Student Occupational Therapy Assistant Club), Sofia Sancci (Outstanding Service to Global Student Network Club), Christian McMahon (Outstanding Service to Graphic Design Club), Stephanie Nunez-Cruz (Outstanding Service to Culinary Club), Nicholas Johnson (Outstanding Peer Tutor of the Year).

**Campus Activities: MSA:** Multicultural Student Association (Organization of the Year).

**Academic Support:** Jordan Pham (The Excelsior Award).

**Athletics:** Emily Geary (Softball) (Female Student-Athlete of the Year), Michael Quinn (Soccer) (Male Student-Athlete of the Year).



## SCC BUYS LAST PARCEL OF PROPERTY FOR WENTZVILLE CAMPUS

On Wednesday, April 24, SCC closed on nearly 12 additional acres at the construction site for the Regional Workforce Innovation Center in Wentzville, near the David Hoekel I-70 interchange. The additional acres are adjacent to the 55 acres the college purchased in 2021 and 2022.

SCC is expanding west, with its new campus at the corner of Interstate Drive and Schaper Road. The new center, located at the campus, will be future-focused on innovation, and meeting the needs of business and industry.

The anticipated opening for the Regional Workforce Innovation Center is in the fall of 2025.





## SCC STUDENT COMPOSER PREMIERES OWN WORK

The SCC Jazz Band premiered student Peter Shea's original composition for big band, 'Salt', before an enthusiastic audience at Shook Theatre on Sunday, April 28. A 2021 graduate of Francis Howell Central, Shea, now a sophomore at SCC, started his St. Charles Community College musical journey while in high school — at an SCC summer jazz camp. Shea is finishing his Associate of Fine Arts degree this spring. After graduating, he plans to pursue his passion for music, both performance and composition, at Lindenwood University.



## BASEBALL TEAM IS MCCAC CHAMPION

The SCC Baseball team made history this season, with their first-ever Missouri Community College Athletic Conference Championship title. They finished a record season 37-17. Congrats Cougars!





## SCC HOSTS NC3 NATIONAL SIGNING DAY

Students pursuing programs in SCC's School of Business, Technology, and Workforce Readiness, had an opportunity to participate in a National Signing Day ceremony on April 18. The event is part of the National Coalition of Certification Centers and honors students who make a commitment to pursue a technical career. SCC students also received a \$250 scholarship for signing the letter of intent.



## SCC SPONSORS 'BUILD MY FUTURE' EVENT

SCC was a proud sponsor and participant in the "Build My Future" event, an event highlighting careers in the construction and trade industries. The event was held April 24-25 at the St. Charles Family Arena.





## YPT PRESENTS 'SEUSSICAL'

Young People's Theatre presented 'Seussical,' May 16-19. Based on the works of Dr. Seuss, "Seussical" is a fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza.



## SCC FOUNDATION'S 'BE TRANSFORMED' DINNER & AUCTION RAISES \$43,000



The SCC Foundation's annual dinner and auction was held Friday, May 10, at the Field to Table Institute. Supporters, friends, and alumni enjoyed a meal prepared by Chef Brian Manhardt, and SCC's culinary students. Proceeds support scholarships and academic enhancements.

Guests bid on auction items like diamond earrings from Vincent Jewelers, a Culinary Class Adventure at SCC, Brewery Lights Tour, YMCA Trout Lodge Weekend, City Soccer tickets, Cardinals tickets, and more. The Emcee was Julie Tristan from KEZK and Y98 radio.

Thank you to everyone who attended or helped with this event!



## RETIREMENT CONGRATS

Congrats to the 2023-2024 retirees and thank you for your service to SCC. Jeffrey Drake, Joanne Hare, Victoria Swartzenberg, Keith Kolander, Alan Hoeckelman, Lucia Busch, Phyllis Marchand, Frederick Tiek, Diana Shaw, Ying Li, Jacqueline Gray, Debra Crank-Lewis, Brian Smith.

## DOCTORATE CONGRATS

This year, four from SCC earned their Doctorate of Education, Educational Practice (Ed.D.).



**Left to Right:** Dr. Vicky Herbel, Dr. Christina Cox, Dr. Amy Koehler, Dr. Kim Mecurio.

## APRIL PRESIDENT'S AWARD WINNERS



**Cathy Daugherty**, Assistant Professor of Reading, received the April President's Award for Faculty.



**Laura Grant**, Manager of Food Services, received the April President's Award for Staff.