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College unveils new Center for Alternative Fuels

As national interest in alternative fuel sources gains momentum, the college is using its resources and experience in applied learning to develop a comprehensive program that will help ensure that Macomb County is not left behind.

The Macomb Center for Alternative Fuels, located in the Robert E. Turner Advanced Technology Center on the college's South Campus in Warren, was unveiled at a symposium cosponsored by Automation Alley and *Crain's Detroit Business* in October. The new center will provide a variety of educational opportunities to those currently employed in or entering the automotive technology field, emergency medical personnel who will be first responders to accident scenes involving a high-voltage Hybrid Electric Vehicle (HEV) and consumers interested in learning more about the viable options to fossil fuel, as well as serve as a forum to advance discussion and exploration of the emerging alternative fuels field.

"With more than 500,000 hybrid electric vehicles currently on American roads, there is clearly an unprecedented intersection of key factors—technology, economic pressures, public policy and consumer preference—that is accelerating advancement and acceptance of alternative fuel vehicles," said Dr. Albert Lorenzo, Macomb's president. "Macomb's long-standing, recognized expertise in providing automotive technology education, training public safety professionals and offering relevant



Alternative fuel vehicles like this one were part of the draw at the symposium cosponsored by Macomb's new Center for Alternative Fuels this fall.

continuing education for individuals uniquely positions the Macomb Center for Alternative Fuels to help nurture a regional expertise in alternative fuels technology."

HEV technology is being integrated into Macomb's associate degree program in au-

tomotive technology, with the first course offered this fall. The curriculum has been developed in conjunction with the Division of Engineering Technology at Wayne State University, partners with Macomb in a National Science Foundation grant supporting

the creation of an integrated education and industrial-based training program involving an alternative fuel source. ◀

Take a break this spring

If you find yourself turning just a little envious when you hear about the spring break plans of current college students, don't despair. As a Macomb alumna or alumnus, you are invited to join one of two spring break trips being organized by Macomb faculty this year.

The only question: are your interests more arts than science or vice versa?

London: March 9–17, 2007

Phil Barrons, humanities professor, is an old London hand who helps his fellow travelers get the most out of this premier city of culture. Sites to explore include Westminster Abbey, Tower of London, British Museum, Harrods, The Tate and Charles Dickens' house. Accommodations are at the Bonnington, located in the Bloomsbury district where Virginia Woolf and other creative elite once reigned. There are also the possible day trips to Cambridge, Bath, Canterbury, Oxford or Windsor Castle. For those interested in visiting London's famed theater district, choices in March will include "Dirty Dancing," "Chicago," "Mary Poppins," "We Will Rock You" and "Woman in Black" to name a few.

Included in the \$1,475 per person price are airfare, hotel accommodations, bus transfers between airport and hotel, a half-day guided sightseeing bus tour and a Sunday evening buffet dinner and entertainment. A few single rooms are available for an additional \$285. A deposit of \$295 will be accepted at the South Campus Cashier's Office—G-302 to reserve a place. Subsequent payments may be made by mail with the balance due by Feb. 1. For more information, contact Phil Barrons, humanities professor, at 586.445.7354 or 586.445.7018.

Hawaii—March 9–18, 2007

Joseph Sarnecki, science professor, annually takes his students on a geographical tour of the country's most beautiful tropical paradise. Sites you will explore if you join them include an active volcano, the world's orchid capital, waterfalls, towering cliffs, deep valleys, Hawaii's "Grand Canyon" and the famous Waikiki Beach. Islands to be visited include Hawaii, Kauai and Oahu. Accommodations are at the Volcano House, Royal

What's age got to do with it? Alumna's lesson: You're never too old to learn

Sheila LeBlanc was feeling her age. She'd been a waitress for more years than she cared to remember, and she knew she needed to make a career change—for herself and as a role model for her son, Kyle.



Alumna Sheila LeBlanc stays in touch with Macomb by volunteering as a fundraiser for the Lloyd Michael Todd scholarship (see related story on page 3) and helping honor Macomb law enforcement instructor Jon Howington as he approaches his retirement, which includes the establishment of a scholarship in his name.

But she thought she was too old to go to college. And she wasn't too sure she would be able to handle it academically either.

"My biggest fears of going to college were that I'm too old and I'm not smart enough," says LeBlanc, who dropped out of high school at age 16.

Leaving high school was never a conscious decision, LeBlanc explains. She simply missed too many days, so she just stopped going. She always planned to go back, but didn't. Then life got in the way. She began studying for GED, general education development, when she was 18 so she could apply for a position on the Detroit Police Department. Injuries from a serious automobile accident, however, made the prospect of being a Detroit police officer unlikely.

So she continued to waitress. And while LeBlanc has high respect for those in the restaurant business, noting that it is hard, physical work, she knew she didn't want to spend the rest of her life as a waitress. At age 30, and as a single mother, she earned her GED. She registered for a semester at Macomb. She dropped the classes, though, before even attending.

"I was freaked about thinking I would be the oldest person (in class)," she says. "But, I knew that without a college degree I wasn't going to get out of the restaurant business. I needed to change careers for myself and to show my son that it can be done."

LeBlanc now has a double associate's degree from Macomb and is working on her bachelor's degree in psychology from Rochester College. She's eyeing a master's degree at the University of Detroit Mercy. Her age, now 37, no longer seems to be a concern.

LeBlanc credits instructors at Macomb for the transformation in her life. She laughs as she shares how her various instructors helped her through her computer ineptness, noting that when she was in high school no one had computers. Her previous interest in law came back full force when she took Criminal Law, "because it sounded interesting." She's pursued that interest and hopes to become a probation officer.

She's had her desired affect as a role model too, only it was her sister who she inspired.

"My sister came back to school after I did. We graduated together with law enforcement degrees," LeBlanc says.

Will her son, now age 14, follow in her footsteps? LeBlanc isn't sure, but she knows she's set a good example.

"He thinks it's pretty cool," LeBlanc notes with a smile. ◀

Reality TV comes to Macomb



The television cameras were rolling in the Haas Technical Center in S Building on South Campus this fall semester as Gary Walters (center), automotive technology faculty, was filmed by cable television's Discovery Channel for an episode of "Biker Build-Off." Dave (left) and Jamie Kay of Detroit Bros. Inc. competed on the reality show. They commissioned Walters and his students to make parts for the front end of a custom motorcycle, which debuted July 21 at C Pop Art Gallery in Detroit. The television episode aired on the Discovery Channel on Sept. 25, but the Kays' bike did not win. ◀

Kona Hotel and Islander on the Beach. Other options included snorkeling and sea kayaking on Captain Cook Reef, a South Pacific Dance Show, shopping in the "land of Hanalei," hiking part of the ancient Kalalau Trail, golf at Princeville, visiting the original Bali Hai and a look at Pearl Harbor.

Included in the \$1,995 per person price are airfare, hotel accommodations, all inter-island air and land transportation. A deposit of \$450 is required to reserve a place, which will be held on a first-come basis. Deposits may be sent to Shelby Travel Agency, Inc., Attention: Nancy, 51290 Van Dyke Shelby Twp., Mich. 48316 and marked for the Hawaii Geology Trip. For more information, contact Sarnecki at 586.445.7319. ◀

Scholarship honors injured police officer

Alumnus Lloyd Michael (Mike) Todd tells classes of Macomb students that he has no regrets that he chose law enforcement as a career, but that does not necessarily mean that he wants his eight-year-old son to do the same.

“I don’t want to discourage him,” offers Todd, “but I am not disappointed that right now, he wants to go to med school.”

Todd has reason for his concern. On Dec. 5, 1998, while on duty as a Detroit Police officer, he was shot in the head with an AK47 and is now both partially blind and paralyzed. Another Detroit police officer, Shawn Bandy, was killed in the incident and Todd’s partner, Dave Pomeroy, suffered minor injuries. The assailants were captured and convicted, but that doesn’t change the fact that Todd’s injuries were so severe that he will never work again. The partners have remained close, and Pomeroy sometimes accompanies Todd when he speaks to students at Macomb.

“I tell them what it’s really like out there. The textbook explains the laws but what’s going on on the streets—that’s something different,” says Todd, who wanted to be a police officer since high school. “I always had an interest to help people, to protect them from being victimized. I was told by members of the law enforcement community ‘Go to Macomb if you want to get into law enforcement.’”

Fresh from a four-year stint with the Coast Guard, Todd’s commitment and determination made an impression on Macomb’s law enforcement faculty—seasoned law enforcement veterans who, self-admittedly, don’t impress easily.

“If every student had his motivation,” says Jack Ramsdell, one of Todd’s former teachers and the idea person behind the scholarship recently established in Todd’s honor, “my job would be easy.”

Faculty, together with other law enforcement officers, Macomb alumni, and Todd’s family have established the Lloyd Michael Todd Endowed Scholarship program for students who have completed at least six hours in Macomb’s law enforcement program, have maintained a grade point average of 2.5 and are pursuing a career in law enforcement. The \$500 scholarship will be awarded to two students each year prior to the fall and winter semesters.



Alumnus Lloyd Michael Todd (left) and his former partner Dave Pomeroy share their experiences as Detroit Police officers with Macomb law enforcement students. A scholarship was established in honor of Todd, who was seriously wounded in the line of duty.

“I am delighted by it,” says Todd. “I miss (police work) so much, I miss being out there. This helps because it provides an advantage to someone who wants to get into this field.”

The endowed scholarship, which uses only interest earned, received a big boost last year from a fundraiser held at the Fraternal Order of Police Hall in Warren. Helping organize the fundraiser were Charles Flanagan, a Detroit police lieutenant, who had worked with Todd, and Sheila LeBlanc (see her profile on page 2 of this issue of *at Macomb*,) a Macomb law

enforcement program graduate who is now attending Rochester College, who had heard Todd speak in class.

“(LeBlanc) was so impressed by his courage that she wanted to help,” said Donna Sherwood, Macomb law enforcement faculty. “Help, in fact, came from all over the police community so that others could follow in (Todd’s) footsteps. You don’t sacrifice much more than he has—this scholarship is our way of giving something back.” ◀

Teachers can earn CEUs at Macomb

Macomb Community College continues to meet alumni’s educational needs, even after they’ve earned their advanced degrees. Alumni who have pursued a career in education can continue to meet state requirements for renewal of their professional education certificate by attending specified courses through Macomb’s Center for Continuing Education.

Fifteen courses offered on campus meet the Michigan State Board of Education Continuing Education Units (SBCEUs) requirements. Among the choices is the class, Cognitive Diversity, which is an interactive workshop that explores different learning styles and how to create lesson plans that encompass the di-

versity of learning styles. Another course, Stop the Bullying, tells how to create an anti-bully team at your school by using creative and fun student/staff/parent relationship strategies.

The amount of SBCEUs earned varies per course. For more information regarding course availability, call 586.498.4000 or go online to Macomb.edu and click on WebAdvisor.

A myriad of other courses is offered online. The online courses are designed for K–12 teachers and administrators, with classes starting every month. Each class equals 2.4 SBCEUs. For more information about these courses, go online to ed2go.com/Macombsbceu. ◀

Celebrate diversity with series of speakers and presentations

To address the changing demographics of Macomb County and the student population of Macomb Community College as well as increasing globalization, the Macomb Multicultural International Initiatives (MMII) committee is offering a series of events open to the public to assist in adjusting perspectives to include the newer members of the community.

“We seek to educate both the college community and the broader community in the importance of recognizing, respecting and ensuring diversity; multicultural and international programs; and varied educational opportunities and experiences across all levels of college life,” states the MMII vision statement.

MMII’s educational and enrichment series, entitled “Big Ideas Series, Building Community,” began with the fall 2006 semester and continues through the winter 2007 semester. The remaining programs are:

- “How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accent,” a discussion of the book written by Julia Alvarez, Nov. 29, 11 a.m. to noon, Center Campus Library, room C 262.
- “Immigration, International, Political and Multicultural Initiatives” with Gary Fleming, political science professor, hosting a guest speaker, Nov. 29, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Center Campus Library, room C 262.
- “Stereotypes in Film,” a presentation by Mark Caporali, history professor, Feb. 8, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., South Campus Library, Macomb Room, J 340.
- “Talking Across the Generations: Feminism in Michigan, Then and Now,” a presentation by Gerry Barrons, women’s activist, March 7, 12:30 to 2 p.m., South Campus Library, Macomb Room, J 340.
- “Multiculturalism, Human Rights and the Corporal Punishment of Children,” a presentation by Susan Bitensky, Detroit College of Law and Michigan State University law

Alumnus at home in Alaskan wilderness

“If future generations are to remember us with gratitude...we must leave them something more than the miracles of technology,” philosophized President Lyndon B. Johnson when he signed the Wilderness Act in 1964. “We must leave them a glimpse of the world as it was in the beginning.”

If Steve Hunt’s life were plotted like a movie script, preserving that glimpse would be its central theme.

“I like to think I am making a contribution to America,” acknowledges the 1973 Macomb graduate. “I’m protecting something that is really important.”

Hunt has been in environmental management for 30 years, 20 with the National Park Service. He has worked at the Big Cypress National Preserve in Florida and the Coast Guard Air Station on Kodiak Island, Alaska. He met his wife, Dory, while stationed at a National Park Service office in Denver, helped stake out new parks along the Mississippi/Louisiana Delta (returning to help clean them up after Katrina) and watched his children grow up while managing the environment at Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve in Alaska.

And, with apologies to Tony Bennett, if Hunt leaves his heart anywhere, it will be at Wrangell-St. Elias.

Preserving the sublime

“Wrangell-St. Elias is considered the crown jewel of the park service,” relates Hunt. “It is still obscure, but it is the largest designated wilderness area in the country.”

Diversity

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professor, April 18, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., South Campus Library, Macomb Room, J 340.

■ “Multicultural Fair” at the new Macomb Cultural Center on April 17 and the “Macomb Celebration of Library and Learning,” on April 18. For more information, contact Paula Drewek, 586.445.7147 or at drewekp@macomb.edu ◀



When he’s not protecting what former President Lyndon B. Johnson characterized as a “glimpse of the way the world was in the beginning,” alumnus Steve Hunt, who lives and works in Alaska, enjoys sport fishing and, when the thermometer registers 65 degrees below zero, watching ice hockey on television.

At 13 million acres, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve is also the largest of all U.S. parks. It contains four major mountain ranges and nine of the country’s 16 highest peaks. Roads and trails are few, glaciers feed into rivers and fiords border Icy Bay. Making the park home are bears, moose, sheep, eagles, seals, porpoises and whales. And it is here where Hunt has experienced nothing less than the sublime, part of a long and rewarding career that almost didn’t happen.

“I have always been interested in the natural world but didn’t know what I wanted to do when I got out of high school,” he says. “It wasn’t until I took a trip to Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico while I was going to Macomb that I found out I wanted to be a park ranger.”

Toward that end, Hunt earned a bachelor’s degree in natural resources from the University of Michigan and a master’s degree in environmental policy and management from Denver University. And, he credits Macomb for making it all possible.

“Macomb,” says Hunt, “helped lay a solid science foundation that I could build upon.”

A personal peak

It was on Kodiak Island that Hunt hit one of the highest points in his career. While stationed there, he had lent his knowledge and experience to an archeological dig coordinated by the Alutiiq Museum and Archaeological Repository, dedicated to protecting and preserving the cultural artifacts and traditions

of Alaska’s native people. The project earned the National Award for Museum Service in 2000, and Hunt was among those invited to a reception at the White House to be hosted by then President Bill Clinton.

“I came down with the worst cold,” he offers with a trace of Charlie Brown still in his voice, “and I just couldn’t make it.”

Hunt and Dora, who works for Anchorage schools, have lived in Alaska for 20 years and are accustomed to temperatures that occasionally dip to 65 degrees below zero and an average of only five to six hours of daylight in the winter. “The bonus is you get such long days in the summer,” offers Hunt. “We have two seasons in Alaska—winter and the 4th of July.” Two of the Hunts’ children have migrated to milder climates: Tyler attends the University of Hawaii in Honolulu and Drew attends New Mexico State University, while Holly attends the University of Alaska.

Not one to rest on his laurels and with dad duties no longer commanding his time, Hunt decided it was time for a change and accepted a post overseeing environmental issues at the U.S. Air Force Base in Anchorage this fall. Although admittedly preoccupied by the challenges of a new job, he was looking forward to the opening of the movie “The Guardian,” which is about an elite squad of Coast Guard swimmers, which is partially set on Kodiak Island.

“I think I’ll go see it,” he muses, “for the chance to reminisce.” ◀

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Countdown is on for Macomb's accreditation process

All the t's have been crossed and i's have been dotted. Now, all that remains is the on-site visit next February—a three-day event from a team of consultant-evaluators from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the commission authorized by the United States Department of Education to evaluate colleges and universities—before Macomb Community College knows if it will receive HLC accreditation for another 10 years.

It has been a two-year process in which the college has undertaken a required and intensive self-study to help it identify both strengths and opportunities for improvement. Even after the self-study has been turned in, the college's HLC Steering Committee will continue to gather evidence and update new developments that have occurred during the writing process, explains Jerry Bosler, Macomb director of libraries and a resources team leader on the HLC Steering Committee.

Macomb 2 Oakland makes its debut

The 2006 fall semester commenced with a little more excitement than usual as the first students enrolled in the new Macomb Community College and Oakland University (OU) program dubbed *Macomb 2 Oakland*.

The first program of its kind in Michigan, this innovative partnership provides joint admission and concurrent enrollment at Macomb and OU. Here are some of the program's offerings:

- Joint admission through one application (available online at www.oakland.edu)
- Concurrent enrollment at OU and Macomb, offering the flexibility to take courses at one or both simultaneously
- Maximized financial aid at both institutions by combining credit
- Expanded course selections
- Coordinated advising and course planning
- Timely completion of associate and bachelor degrees

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"The self-study shows Macomb to be a strong higher-education institution," notes Bosler.

The importance of being accredited is obvious for current students, faculty and staff, but Bosler adds that it's also important for the college's alumni.

"The HLC accreditation adds to the integrity of our alumni's degrees and studies," says Bosler. "It shows that Macomb remains a credible, quality educational institution."

After devoting two years to the HLC process, Bosler says the steering committee

has been pleased to see that "Macomb has moved along quite significantly in the last 10 years."

HLC accreditation is based on an evaluation of an institution's educational activities, governance, administration, financial stability, admissions, student services, institutional resources, student learning, institutional effectiveness and its internal and external relationships using five criteria: mission and integrity; preparing for the future; student learning and effective teaching; acquisition, discovery and application of knowledge; and engagement and service.

Don Ritzenhein, Macomb provost and chief learning officer, sums up the importance of an institution receiving its accreditation.

"Only accredited colleges can administer many kinds of financial aid, most senior colleges will only accept transfer credit from accredited colleges, and many careers would be closed to our graduates unless they received their education from an accredited institution. In some cases they would not be able to sit for licensing exams or employers would question or not even consider them for jobs." ◀

Alumni notes

W. Robert Sampson, Ph.D., 1962, recently retired after 40 years of service as an educator. He taught speech communication at Macomb and Ferris State University, served as associate professor of management and associate dean of business at Eastern Michigan University, and was professor of organizational communication at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, where he also served as chair of his department.

Jennie Zehnpfennig, 1984, worked at St. John Hospital in Detroit after graduating from Macomb's nursing program and has held a variety of nursing positions including as-

sistant head nurse, acting director of nursing and director of nursing. She lives in Everett, WA, where she helps take care of a grandson whose parents are naval officers. Her oldest son, Johnny, is a West Point graduate who is currently stationed in Iraq. She also had a poem she wrote, "Deepest Sigh," published in "The Best Poems and Poets of 2005."

"Without the confidence and expertise within the nursing program that the Macomb faculty instilled, neither my family nor I would have experienced so much success and the ability to face dilemmas."—Jennie Zehnpfennig

Cassie Pinnoo, 1991, earned a bachelor's degree in finance from Walsh College. She

has recently started her own business, "My Girlfriend's Kitchen," where customers assemble meals from prepared ingredients, in Shelby Township. She lives in St. Clair with her husband, Gary, and children: Jordyn, Seth, Eli and Ian.

DeeDee Briski, 1997, earned reading and English as a Second Language certification from the Macomb Literacy Project. She is a reading tutor and a writer. Her first book, "Impressive Deception: Creation or Evolution—You Decide," was published by White Mane Publishing Company in 2004. Her second book, "Matty's Home," a young adult Christian novel, was published by Holy Fire in May. She resides in Michigan with her husband and three children.

Kathy Stafford, 1997, is currently working as a medical case manager for Travelers Insurance in Orlando, Fla. Previously, she worked as a nurse at Crittenton Hospital and as medical case manager with Citizens Insurance and American International Group.

"I treasure my years at Macomb College. I owe a great debt and much gratitude to Christine Bouwman of South Campus. She was an encouraging, sympathetic, compassionate and a wonderful mentor to me. I owe my present career to her."—Kathy Stafford

Lori (Levitte) Hughes, no date given, earned a bachelor of science degree in physical therapy from Oakland University and master's degree in education from Central Michigan University. She is currently a pediatric physical therapist with the St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency and lives in Marysville. ◀

News about alumni

Send us a note, and let us know what you've been doing since you graduated from Macomb. Please include the year you graduated (or last year attended), advanced degrees earned, job history since leaving Macomb and any other items of professional or personal interest.

E-mail to: alumni@macomb.edu **Mail to:** Alumni Macomb
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Experience the sounds of the holidays at the Macomb Center

The sights and sounds of this holiday season will ring true at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts.



Mark your calendars for Dec. 7 when Holiday Brass with Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings (DCWS) takes the stage for their annual seasonal spectacular. Enjoy an evening of holiday

music performed by some of the area's most accomplished brass players. The DCWS was founded in 1982 and has established a local and national reputation for artistic excellence. The show is at 7:30 p.m., and tickets are \$25 gold circle, \$20 all other seats.



family members as part of the extravaganza. Tickets for this 3 p.m. show are \$45 gold circle, \$42 adult, \$38 students and senior citizens.

The Sandi Patty Family Christmas is Dec. 10. Patty will perform Christmas favorites and original songs from her *Yuletide Joy* project, which includes her

Marie Osmond brings her warmth, joy and "magic" to the stage Dec. 16 with Marie Osmond's *Magic of Christmas*. The Osmond name is synonymous with family entertainment, and Marie will sing holiday favorites along with a medley of some of her own hits over the last 25 years. She'll also share videos from some of the most famous televised Osmond Family Christmas shows. Shows are 2 and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$45 gold circle, \$40 adults, and \$35 students/senior citizens. Each ticket includes a \$5 contribution to the Macomb Center. ◀



Macomb 2 Oakland

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- Access to the on-campus resources of both institutions, including OU housing

Additionally, *Macomb 2 Oakland* is designed to reduce false starts to bachelor's degree completion. The program helps move students more quickly towards obtaining their degree and eases educational debt levels. Research indicates that students who first earn an associate degree are more likely to obtain a higher degree than those who don't.

To accommodate the anticipated growth of *Macomb 2 Oakland* and to increase options for students to complete college coursework within the county, Macomb College is building a third phase of the Macomb University Center, located on the college's Center Campus in Clinton Township.

For more information about *Macomb 2 Oakland*, contact Macomb College at 586.445.7999 or Oakland University at 586.263.6258. ◀

Commemorating Black History Month

February has been nationally recognized as Black History Month since 1976 and as it has for nearly every February since then, Macomb will host several free programs designed to highlight the cultural contributions of black Americans.

- Thursday, Feb. 1: Kicking off the college's celebration of Black History Month will be a poetry reading by Nandi Comer, 11 a.m. to noon, in the South Campus Library. Light refreshments will also be served.
- Thursday, Feb. 15: Singer and storyteller Tiana Marquez, presents *Remembering the Children's Crusades*, a dramatic interpretation of one woman's remembrances of marching with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as a child, 1 to 2 p.m., in K-301, South Campus.
- Wednesday, Feb. 28: Marygrove College Dance Company in a performance that

illuminates the African dance tradition, presented by Marygrove associate professor Penny Godboldo, dance education, noon to 1 p.m., at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Center Campus.

And, also in commemoration of Women's History Month:

- Wednesday, March 21: Rochelle Riley, *Detroit Free Press* columnist, will speak on "Seizing your Moment to Lead," 1 to 2 p.m., in K-324, South Campus. An optional lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m.

All of Macomb Community College's Black History Month events are free unless otherwise noted (there is a yet-to-be determined charge for the luncheon on March 21) and open to the public. Black History Month events are cosponsored by the college's African-American

History and Culture Committee, the Forum Committee, Multicultural International Initiatives, South and Center Campus libraries and Student Activities. For more information, call Tom Salas or Sister Joyce Campbell at 586.445.7378. ◀

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A legacy of service and courage

The Macomb Cultural Center, Macomb County's new place for discovery, will turn its focus to the World War II generation beginning in February. Exhibits, interactive workshops, musical presentations and talks will showcase the era, covering not only the war front but also the home front and the role the media played in shaping views.

Specific program details will be available in January. Visit www.MacombCulturalCenter.com or call 586.445.7348. ◀