

# The Voyager

a Frontier Community College newsletter



November 2018

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### November

- 22 No classes  
Thanksgiving Break
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- 29 Program Showcase  
9AM- 1PM / Workforce Dev. Ctr.

### December

- 1 Breakfast with Santa  
9AM / Bob Boyles Hall
- 1 Kiwanis Christmas Parade  
4:30PM / City of Fairfield
- 3 Gift Wrapping Workshop  
6-8PM / Bob Boyles Hall
- 5 Christmas Cupcakes  
6-8PM / Bob Boyles Hall
- 7 Last day of classes
- 10 Final exams begin
- 11 IECC Board Meeting
- 14 Last day of semester

**The FCC campus will be closed from December 19 through January 1 for Winter Break. The campus will re-open on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.**

## McDuffee Hired as Coordinator of Literacy Development at FCC



Fairfield native Hayden McDuffee has recently joined the Adult Education Program on the campus of Frontier Community College. McDuffee was hired as the program's Literacy Coordinator and began his duties on Thursday, November 1.

As the Literacy Coordinator, McDuffee will manage the Adult Volunteer Literacy (AVL) Project, a state-funded grant that provides assistance to those who want to improve their reading, writing, math, and language skills. The grant also provides support for English language learners by helping with comprehension, reading, and speaking. Adult learners who qualify for free assistance are signing up with the Adult Education Program, so McDuffee is seeking to expand the tutoring base throughout the Illinois Eastern Community Colleges (IECC) district.

"I'm very excited to take on the AVL Project and see it succeed and grow in the community," stated McDuffee. "My biggest priority in this position will be recruiting volunteer tutors in our local communities so that we may help those in need of support." Currently, learners are waiting to be paired with a tutor.

McDuffee wants to increase awareness about the AVL Project throughout the entire IECC district and recruit both learners and tutors in each county. He will be working with individual Adult Education Directors at the other three IECC campuses (Lincoln Trail, Olney Central, and Wabash Valley), as well as area service providers. McDuffee will also visit community organizations and clubs to increase the tutor base. Additionally, he will plan fundraisers or community events that will support the AVL Project.

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Tutors can make a difference in a learner's life by offering one-on-one tutoring for just one hour each week. After 12 hours of required training (via face-to-face, web, or program manual), tutors are carefully matched with a learner in their community and meet on a scheduled basis in a public setting.

"I'm thrilled to have Hayden join this team," said Dena Weber, who serves as the Program Director for Adult Education. "I have a lot of confidence that he will work hard to achieve the goals for this grant and develop the literacy rate within the IECC district."

For those that are in need of literacy tutoring or would like to serve as a literacy tutor, call Frontier Community College at 618-842-3711.

McDuffee is a 2010 graduate of Fairfield Community High School and received his Bachelor's in Psychology from Illinois Institute of Technology in 2014. He resides in Fairfield with his wife, Sam, and two daughters, Alyss and Scarlett.

## FCC Celebrating Holiday Season with Community

The Community Education department of FCC has prepared multiple workshops, along with a "Christmas With the College" event, for the upcoming holiday season. Individuals are welcome to sign up for any of the classes or trip, regardless of whether or not they live within the IECC district.

FCC held its first workshop of the season on Saturday, November 10. Gayla Templeman was the instructor for the Snowman Table Runner class, and students learned how to create and sew a wintry table runner in just five hours. Students took home their projects at the end of the day and will be able to display their work of art during holiday dinners.

Christmas With the College will feature a "cultural package" of events in Evansville, Indiana in the afternoon and evening of Thursday, December 13. The trip will begin with a guided tour of the Reitz Home Museum, Indiana's only preserved Victorian home. The museum will be decked out for the Christmas season and decorated to make guests feel that they have stepped into 1871, the year in which the home was constructed.

Following the tour, dinner will be held at Cork 'N Cleaver, and then guests will be driven through Garvin Park's Fantasy of Lights tour. The evening will conclude with an evening show titled "Christmas Wonderland Holiday Spectacular" at Old National Events Plaza.

Those who need to sharpen their gift wrapping skills are invited to attend a workshop on Monday, December 3. Instructor Kirsten Melton will teach both traditional and contemporary methods of wrapping styles, and supplies are included. Students should bring two to three small or medium-sized gifts to practice their creativity.

Students can learn how to create tasty treats just in time for holiday parties with the Christmas Cupcakes workshop on Wednesday, December 5. Instructors Julie Bryant and Heather Nelson will cover basic decorating skills, such as coloring frosting, pastry bag techniques, and methods. Each student will leave with recipe cards, pastry bags, decorating tips, and six tasty cupcakes.

To sign up for any of the holiday workshops or Christmas With the College, call FCC at 618-842-3711. Class sizes are limited and filled on a first-come, first-serve basis, so students are encouraged to register soon.

The Community Education department is planning several classes and one-day workshops for individuals of all ages for the Spring 2019 semester.



# Nursing Students Receive Scholarships

Four students in the Nursing Program on FCC's campus recently received scholarships for the Fall 2018 semester. Lori Noe, Coordinator of Financial Aid, presented both the Clemence Elizabeth Cox Scholarship and the Vicky Lemons Memorial Scholarship.

The semi-annual Clemence Elizabeth Cox Scholarship, which awards two \$500 scholarships semi-annually to second-level nursing students, was awarded to Bethaney Sutton of McLeansboro and Macy Locke of Fairfield. Both Sutton and Locke are on track to complete the Associate Degree in Nursing in May 2019.



*Pictured with recipients Sutton and Locke (seated), from left to right: Nursing Instructor Bethany Harris, donor Jerry Cox, Nursing Advisor Julie Bullard, and Assistant Professor Wanda Douglas.*

Clemence Elizabeth Cox was well known in the Fairfield community. She and her husband James (Jim) Cox operated the Western Auto store in Fairfield for many years and were the builders and first operators of the Uptown Motel.

This memorial scholarship was established by Jerry Cox of Mill Shoals, the son of Clemence Cox. Jerry is a retired salesman for Airtex Products, a Southern Illinois University graduate, and a Vietnam veteran. Grateful for the care that both his parents received in the hospital and nursing home, and recognizing the care nurses give to the VA patients, Jerry thought it only fitting to award the scholarship to nursing students.



*Pictured: recipients Elizabeth Fortier (left) and Sara Williams (right).*

Students Elizabeth Fortier of Crossville and Sara Williams of Flora were the recipients of the Vicky Lemons Memorial Scholarship. These \$500 scholarships are awarded semi-annually to nursing students at FCC.

Vicky Lemons was well-known and loved at FCC and in the community. Serving as a member of FCC's nursing faculty from 2006 until her passing in March 2015, Vicky played an important part not only in the education of her students, but also in their everyday lives. A lifetime learner, Vicky was working towards a Master's in Nursing at the time of her passing, and she was awarded the degree posthumously in May of 2015.

The Vicky Lemons Memorial Scholarship was established by Vicky's family and friends in an effort to give back to the students she loved helping so much. Even in passing, Vicky continues to help students achieve their nursing goals through this scholarship award.

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# FCC Foundation Hosts Fall Fashion Show

Frontier Community College's Foundation held a Fall Fashion Show on Sunday, October 21. The event, which was co-hosted by Carnaby Square in Fairfield, was held at Johnny and June's in Flora and drew a large crowd throughout the IECC district.

Kristi Hornung, owner of Carnaby Square, emceed the event and also styled the models with new and popular pieces from her store. The show featured the latest fashion trends across a large variety of boutique brands. Hornung, who has hosted fashion shows for nearly 30 years, enjoyed the event and was happy to support the FCC Foundation.

Models displayed autumn shades as well as classic colors, complete with Brighton jewelry and other accessories. Individuals modeling the clothing included community individuals from both Wayne and Clay counties, as well as FCC students, employees, and Foundation members. Models were escorted by Bobcats Baseball athletes, who also modeled tuxedos from Blacks Fashion Flowers in Fairfield. Blacks Fashion Flowers is owned and operated by Foundation member Tina Turner.

All proceeds from the Fall Fashion Show will go toward the Foundation's purchase of a new digital sign for Frontier's campus.



## 2nd Annual Monster Mash Held at FNB Field

Frontier Bobcats Baseball and Softball held the second annual Monster Mash Charity Game at FNB Field on Monday, October 29. The event featured a slow-pitch softball game between baseball and softball athletes, who were evenly split between two teams.

Prior to the start of the Monster Mash Charity Game, FCC held its Trunk-or-Treat on the parking lot of The Bobcat Den. Several student clubs had trunks set up, and club members were dressed in costumes to accommodate their trunk's theme.

The charity game was a success, as FCC raised over \$300 from gate admission alone. All proceeds from the event were donated to the Dr. Scranton Cancer Memorial Fund, which provides support for cancer patients within the community.





# The Bobcat Beat

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## Volleyball Ends Season at Parkland with 12-20 Record

### NJCAA HONORABLE MENTION



Sophomore athlete Nadia de la Torre (Bayamon, PR) was recently recognized by the NJCAA Region 24 Volleyball All-Region Team.

The NJCAA named athletes to both the 1st and 2nd team, and she was one of four athletes to receive an honorable mention. De la Torre was the only Frontier Volleyball athlete named to the list, and 1 of 18 from Region 24 in the complete report.

“Nadia is well deserving of this recognition,” said Head Volleyball Coach Marjorie Jordan. “One of her strongest abilities is back row attacking, which helped lead our team in kills. Nadia has been a huge asset to our team for the past two years, and we couldn’t be happier for her.”

Congratulations, Nadia!



Frontier Volleyball earned their spot in the NJCAA Region 24 tournament after a competitive match against John Wood College (Quincy, IL) on Monday, October 29. Frontier hosted John Wood and earned a victory after four sets, with final scores of 25-13, 21-25, 26-24, and 25-15.

The win qualified Frontier for the Region 24 tournament, and they traveled to Parkland College (Champaign, IL) on Wednesday, October 31. The team suffered a three-set loss against the Cobras, who have previously won the national championship. Thus, Frontier Volleyball ended its 2018 season with 12 wins and 20 losses, an improvement from the 2017 season.

## Softball Hosts 5K Fundraiser

Frontier Softball hosted the second annual 5K event on Saturday, November 2. The race was a success, with multiple awards presented to racers. Frontier Softball would like to thank the organizations who generously sponsored the 5K! Sponsors include: Wabash General Hospital, LeMonds Chrysler, CountryMark, SynEnergy, Dr. Patrick Molt, Save A Lot, Carter Trucking, Brain Training Center, Vaughan’s Equipment, and Vaughan’s Diesel.

