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1967 Milford Graduates, 50-Year Alumni Reunion,  
Milford Campus. . . . . May 5  
Memorial Day, College Closed . . . . . May 29  
Spring Quarter Ends . . . . . June 8  
Lincoln Graduation, 7 p.m. . . . . June 8  
Milford Graduation, 6:30 p.m. . . . . June 9

Beatrice Graduation, 7 p.m. . . . . June 9  
Automotive Summer Camp, Milford Campus . . June 9 & 10  
Independence Day, College Closed . . . . . July 4  
Summer Quarter Begins . . . . . July 10  
Labor Day, College Closed . . . . . Sept. 4  
Summer Quarter Ends . . . . . Sept. 20



# Spring Time of New Beginnings

Spring time brings a season of new beginnings. As the days become longer, the weather warms and the trees, lawns and flowers begin to green. Spring brings with it a new energy, awakening of life, new birth, and renewed feelings of promise and dreams of the future.

For more than 80% of the SCC enrolled students financial assistance is needed to pursue their educational goals and dreams of the future of making a living with an education from SCC. Although SCC continues to be one of the most affordable higher education institutions in Nebraska, not everyone who wants to attend SCC has the available resources to do so. Scholarship support has become an increasing important source of tuition assistance. The SCC Foundation is focused on raising more dollars so that more students can experience what you as SCC Alumni experience by building a career with an education from SCC.

Does a review of your 2017 New Year's resolutions, goals, and dreams have you moving towards accomplishments that have been impacted and made possible by your SCC Educational experience?

Does a review of your goals and resources include making a difference in the lives of current and future SCC Students by demonstrating an "Attitude of Gratitude" in the form of "Paying it Forward" with a donation to the SCC Educational Foundation?

The SCC Educational Foundation is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation responsible for encouraging, receiving, investing, stewarding, and disbursing private support on behalf of the donors of Southeast Community College for the benefit of the College, its programs, facilities, students, faculty, staff, and alumni. The Foundation Board is comprised of community leaders representing a broad cross-section of businesses within the College's 15-county service area. Board members represent leadership and community service and share the Foundation's value of ensuring opportunities for success at SCC.

Spring is a time of new beginnings. We are reminded of the saying that we make a living by what we get but a life by what we give. Spring is an opportunity for renewed commitment to incorporate your goals into your daily tasks and to make a difference for many of our SCC students by donating to the SCC Educational Foundation. What you plant now you will harvest later.

Designate a specific scholarship or make a donation to the SCC General Scholarship Fund. For a current list of scholarships funds access the student scholarship listing for the SCC Educational Foundation Scholarships at [www.southeast.edu](http://www.southeast.edu). On behalf of the entire Foundation Board thank you for your support of SCC and our Students.

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- Lincoln Campus  Lincoln Campus
- Milford Campus  Milford Campus
- Area-wide Scholarship  Area-wide Scholarship

Specific Program of Study \_\_\_\_\_

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# BEATRICE CAMPUS

## Keith Muller Receives State Award

Fairbury native and Wilber-Clatonia High School athletic director, Keith Muller, received the state Athletic Administrator of the Year in 2016. The honor was awarded by the Nebraska State Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association at their spring banquet. Although not his first award, Muller was chosen as the 2011-2012 District I AD of the year and the NSASSP Region I Assistant Principal of the Year for 2012-2013, the 1978 Southeast Community College-Fairbury graduate, said he was humbled and honored to be selected.

Keith was honored again this past January when the National High School Athletic Coaches Association advanced him to a finalist for national coach of the year in the area of Athletic Director. The Nebraska School Activities Association selected him based on longevity, service to high school sports and much more. The finalists will be honored during The National Coach of the Year Banquet during their national convention in East Peoria, Illinois where the selections will be made on June 21.

"I had a great experience at SCC Fairbury. I believe SCC is a



**From left to right:** Gary Pingel, Marty Hughes, Carolyn Wurm, Mark Wittler and Keith Muller manned the telephones for the 1977 Muscular Dystrophy Labor Day telethon.

great educational institution - all campuses, as I have known classmates and former students I had the pleasure to teach, get great educations from all the facilities."

*Keith Muller  
1978 Pre-Business Administration*

## Featured Year: 1967

Rita Shepherd retired after 22 years as a Juvenile Probation Officer & Supervisor in Phoenix, AZ. Her retirement plans include travel to Europe and in the United States. Rita, we hope you share some travel stories with us in the future.

*Rita Shepherd  
1967 Speech/English -  
Academic Transfer*

"Earning my associate degree provided me the background for 40 years in community college education and enabled me to transfer all credits to UNL and earn my BS in Education, my Master's in Education and work toward my doctorate. I taught at SCC in Milford from 1970 to 1974 and at Dodge City Community College from 1974 to 2002. (From there she went to MidPlains Community College in North Platte.) I retired as the Area VP for Educational Services and Student Development." Pat is now enjoying retirement in Kansas with her husband, Ted, also a 1967 graduate of SCC (FJC). All their kids are community college grads as well.

*Patricia (Seggerman) Allison  
1967 Education (Business)*

"I had to work and pay for all of my college education. Having Fairbury Junior College was an asset to me. I could stay at home, work and take my classes. I got a good education that prepared me for the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. I taught school for 30 years and substitute taught 3 years. I am retired after a total of 33 years teaching."

*Doyle Kershaw  
1967 Elementary Education  
& Social Science*

After graduating from Fairbury Junior College, Arden Svoboda transferred to Kearney State College (University of Nebraska - Kearney). "After I graduated from Kearney I taught history at Elba, Crofton and North Loup-Scotia. I got an administration degree from Kearney and was superintendent at Niobrara for six years and Winside for five years." After spending over 35 years in education Arden retired and has been working part-time at Hy-Vee.

*Arden Svoboda  
1967 General Studies*

"I wouldn't have had my teaching background and current employment without the education/training that I received." James worked for the Bruning/Davenport Public School for 37 years, teaching for 25 and also working as a bus driver and in maintenance for 12 years.

*James Hogeland  
1967 Pre-Education*

"FJC got me interested in business where I have spent my working career." Rex worked as a Professor of Business/Accounting. Now retired he also served in the capacity of Emeritus Professor at Northwestern Oklahoma State University from 1977-2002 and then as Emeritus Professor at College of the Ozarks from 2002-2013.

*Rex Mahlman  
1967 Business Administration*

## In Their Own Words

Editor's note: Dennis Zabel recently retired, which allowed him time to reflect on key turning points that changed his life and career.

"I graduated from Fairbury High School in 1965 without much serious thought about what to do next. I thought about attending a tech school (Milford) to learn diesel technology, but instead registered for classes at Fairbury Junior College, one of the institutions of higher learning that later became part of SCC. That decision made all the difference. I was the first in my family to attend and eventually graduate from college.

"Once classes started at FJC, I set my goal to eventually graduate from the University of Nebraska. Away from the daily drama and regimen of high school, it was easier to settle down and enjoy learning, and I developed a desire to better understand how the world works. And, since FJC was close to home, it was economical.

"I give credit to George Johnson, (agriculture and biology) instructor at FJC, for nudging me in the right direction and for giving me a good reference for my first job interview. While Mr. Johnson and most of the other instructors at FJC from that time have long ago passed, their legacy lives on within us.

"My two-year degree in Agriculture from FJC was excellent preparation for attending UNL beginning in the fall of 1967. I graduated from UNL in the summer of 1969.

"My life has been one adventure after another. After graduating from UNL I was drafted into military service. After a year of training stateside, I served a year with a reconnaissance unit in the 1st Cavalry Division gathering intelligence on the ground in Vietnam. The U.S. Army kept me

busy for nearly all of 1970 and 1971.

"Most of my jobs through the years required a college degree. The very first was as a soil conservationist with what used to be called the Soil Conservation Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Today it's known as the Natural Resources Conservation Service. I was transferred to several work locations in Nebraska and Minnesota.

"Later, after farming a few years, another opportunity knocked on my door. It led to becoming an agronomist for a fertilizer manufacturer with national exposure. And that led to positions as an agronomist with more responsibilities with other companies. All required a college degree to get a foot in the door. I traveled back and forth across the country educating our clients on how to best use the company's products.

"I retired two years ago from the Nutra-Flo Company, headquartered in North Sioux City, S.D. I worked as agronomist and photographer for its marketing department. The company needed pictures of crops and agricultural equipment for advertising purposes. I caught the photography bug, which led to numerous personal trips to some of the most beautiful locations in the country, and I met a lot of interesting people along the way.

"If I were a college student today, I think I'd still want to major in an agriculture-related field, but with more training in climate science. About 20,000 career-level jobs in agriculture go unfilled in the U.S. every year. Crop breeders using genetically modified organism technology will be

needed more than ever to rapidly adapt crops to a changing climate. Learning to manage crops through increased weather stress and more frequent severe storms will keep future agronomists busy.

"Considering whether to attend a community college or a four-year school is a decision that is different for each student. Each type of school has advantages and disadvantages. For me, I'd look at my nearest community college to see what's offered and whether it fits my long-term goals. English 101, for example, is about the same everywhere. It's the same for basic courses in history, chemistry, physics, and the others that most students must take early in their college careers. It makes sense for most students, I believe, to take those courses at a community college.

"Without taking those first steps into a classroom at Fairbury Junior College, it's hard to imagine that the most interesting accomplishments of my life could ever have happened."

Dennis A. Zabel  
1967 Pre-Agriculture



**Saxophone Quintet**

**Seated, from left:** Peggy Schoen, Brian Fincham, Ron Ramsey.

**Standing, from left:** Dennis Zabel, Roger Schierkolk.

### 1967 Historical Hysteria



Third place winners in club skits at College Capers were Phi Theta Kappa members. Jeannie Chancellor and Dean Pretzer were part of the "Historical Hysteria" skit.

### Featured Year: 1987

Retired from state government after 24½ years of employment and now have worked for Indian Center, Inc. in Lincoln for four years. Responsibilities as the Program Director include oversight of program budget and activities. Duties as the Contract Officer include to develop, implement and maintain oversight (of the Center)."

Nettie (Grant) Sikyta,  
1987 Business Administration

### We Like to Hear from Our Graduates!



**2014** - "I work at a farrow to wean swine facility. I am a farrowing and breeding technician. After attending two universities and one college, SCC is hands-down my favorite. I love the hands-on ag program and the learning opportunities it provides to the students."

Courtney Thomas,  
Agriculture Business &  
Management Technology

## Former Athlete Connects By Using New Athletic Alumni Form

Tregenza Henry, formerly from Sandy Point, St. Kitts, West Indies, checks in with SCC. The former SCC basketball player continued his education at the University of Maine at Fort Kent. He now lives in Clinton, Maryland where he works as a Network Engineer.

Answering some questions *'What are you doing now?'* he states "6 years active duty Army, currently DC National Guard. Coached high school in Kitts for two years. Got six kids basketball scholarships to University of Maine at Fort Kent. Currently coach my son's 9-U Basketball."

*'What do you remember most about SCC?'* "Mary Ann, Cheryl Parks and the ladies in the office always looked out for me. The science department professors constantly challenged and encouraged me to do more."

*Tregenza Henry  
2001 Academic Transfer*

## In Their Own Words

"I remember the close personalized attention in SCC classes. If I didn't understand something (which happened quite a bit), the instructors would stop the lesson and go over it for me because they understood that if one student was not getting it, then others may not be as well. I am so grateful to SCC for REALLY educating me! I am surprised at how much education I received from SCC that I use on a daily basis.

"I graduated from SCC in December 1985 with a degree in building construction, but I knew that to compete, I needed at least a bachelor's degree. I didn't know what that was until I began working at Beatrice State Developmental Center and became interested in physical therapy. I then joined the U.S. Air Force and used the G.I. Bill to help pay for college.

"After graduating from the University of Nebraska Omaha with a bachelor's degree in biology, my first job was as a chemical technician at Dow Chemical's polyolefins and elastomers research and development. The irony is that I told Mr. (Bob) Eddy in my SCC chemistry class that I would NEVER use polymer chemistry! In his wisdom (that I didn't comprehend at the time), he said 'You just never know.' So after he found out where I was working, I had to eat my words!

"After eight years of building and running chemical pilot plants (small research plants from lab scale to 130 feet tall covering one city block), I applied for the position of technical advisor in Dow's Freeport, Texas, Environmental Operations - Thermal Treatment. The position provides technical guidance and

expertise for all plant operations and guides and coaches operators, engineers and operations leadership to properly operate the plants.

"Nothing happens in the plant that the technical advisor does not allow. Troubleshooting major problems in the plant also is a big part of the job, so that means some phone calls in the middle of the night. Another part of the job (my favorite), is to make improvements to our plants. My latest major improvement was on a Thermatrix Flameless Thermal Oxidizer. The project was to take a dual reactor plant being utilized at 40 percent of capacity, idle one reactor while directing the vent load to the other reactor at 80-percent utilization. The project won a Dow Chemical WRAP (Waste Reduction Always Pays) award and an American Chemistry Council's Energy Efficiency Award for Dow. This project saves natural gas (about 200 million standard cubic feet per year) and reduces the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions that would have resulted. This was a great opportunity to save money and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> (greenhouse gas) emissions.

"If we could have stayed in Beatrice

## 1967 "Professional" Cheerleaders



*"Professional" cheerleaders in the form of Larry LeMaster, Larry Ayers, Don Hooper, Bob Barton, Tim McCarthy, Dennis Koinzan and Tom Tower cheered their team at the girls' football game.*

with the same type of opportunity as Dow offered, we would have. It is nice not to have to shovel snow, but being so far from our hometown and family members has been tough. Lake Jackson is a beautiful city and has become our home. We do miss Valentino's pizza and, of course, Runza!

"I met my wife, Marissa, in Mr. Eddy's chemistry lab, so we both look back at SCC with very fond memories. We have three daughters, and attending their school activities takes up our free time!

"I am deeply grateful for the education I received from SCC, and I always speak fondly of my instructors."

*Darrel Applegarth  
1996 Academic Transfer, Beatrice*

## Setlik Graduates From Nebraska Water Leaders Academy

Nichole Setlik recently graduated in the sixth class of the Nebraska Water Leaders Academy, a one-year program that provides leadership training and educates participants about the vital role rivers, streams and aquifers play in the economic sustainability of the state. A project of the Water Futures Partnership-Nebraska, Academy sessions feature classroom as well as field trip experiences presented by acknowledged experts in leadership and natural resource topics.

"The Water Leaders Academy is a great learning experience. We had six sessions that were located across the state and we could visit multiple locations such as the State Capitol, the Niobrara River and water treatment plant (just to name a few). While listening to many speakers, they covered topics such as water laws, leadership and current water events happening state wide. By attending this academy, everyone is able to have multiple connections with others across the state. Those who attend are passionate about water and how we can take care of it for future generations to enjoy."

*Nichole Setlik  
2011 Agriculture Business & Management Technology  
Ag Pro Insurance Sales/Office Manager*

## Class of 2006 Alumnus Inspires Patients Every Chance He Gets

When it comes to inspiring patients, **Rick Haith** is somewhat of an expert. He draws on his own personal experience for inspiration.

"I not only show people by my example that they too can live independently despite having a disability," Haith said, "but to also steer individuals down a path that will allow them to reach their fullest potential."

About 16 years ago Rick was involved in a tragic car accident that killed his friend and left Haith paralyzed. While recovering in a hospital bed, he was motivated by a doctor who was in a wheelchair. He realized there can be a fulfilling life after an accident, and he wanted to make that happen.

Rick graduated from Southeast Community College's Academic Transfer program on the Beatrice Campus in 2006. He transferred to the University of

Nebraska-Omaha and graduated in 2009 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education in Therapeutic Recreation. He was the Honors Convocation winner for earning the top spot in recreational therapy.

Haith now works at Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital in Lincoln as a recreational therapist. He is able to work with spinal cord patients at the same facility where he was treated following his car accident.

He recently received two awards from the Lincoln Tennis Association and the Nebraska Tennis Association for his work in developing and implementing a youth adaptive tennis program. The goal is to provide individuals with disabilities the skills to play tennis against able-bodied peers.

"To be completely honest with you, I do not develop and implement programs

for individuals with disabilities in order to win awards," Haith said. "I create and run these programs with the ultimate goal of enriching people's lives."

Rick recently was inducted into the EducationQuest Hall of Fame. He was a past recipient of EducationQuest's "Reaching Your Potential Scholarship Program" which helped him pay for his education at SCC. He was selected for achieving success after overcoming tremendous obstacles and for serving as an inspiration to others.



*Rick Haith  
2006 Academic Transfer*

### 1987 Pop Culture

**#1 Hits**

- "Walk Like An Egyptian"
- "Livin' On A Prayer"
- "You Keep Me Hangin' On"
- "I Think We're Alone Now"
- "Mony Mony"
- (I've Had) "The Time of My Life"
- "La Bamba"

**Movies You Might Have Seen**

- "Broadcast News"
- "Dirty Dancing"
- "Good Morning, Vietnam"
- "The Lost Boys"
- "The Princess Bride"
- "Robocop"
- "Three Men and a Baby"

### 1967 Pop Culture

**#1 Hits**

- "I'm a Believer"
- "Respect"
- "Light My Fire"
- "All You Need is Love"
- "Ode to Billie Joe"
- "To Sir with Love"
- "Windy"

**Movies You Might Have Seen**

- "Bonne and Clyde"
- "The Dirty Dozen"
- "The Graduate"
- "In Cold Blood"
- "Valley of the Dolls"
- "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner"
- "Cool Hand Luke"

### Can You Help Us Locate the Following 1967 Graduates?

**We want to stay in touch with our grads!**

Email information to [alumni@southeast.edu](mailto:alumni@southeast.edu) or call **800-233-5027 ext. 1216**.



Karen Achtemeier	Larry Davis	Donald Hooper	Franklin Rytych
David Alexander	Wesley Ehlers	Randy Hoppe	Donald Scheiding
Beverly (Graham) Anderson	Nancy Fangmeier	Norma Jantz	Gary Schoenrock
Margaret Anderson	David Fischer	Evelyn Jensen	Donald Spitler
Shirley Benson	David Fleischman	Gretchen Lillich	Armin Storms
Richard Brackle	John Franzen	James Linenberger	Cheryl Thomas
Ruth Brown	Kenneth Franzen	Gary Mahler	Carrie Thurber
Robert Burda	Darlene Grueber	Pamela Mariska	Kenneth Wasserman
Cheryl Cerveny	Judy Gunther	Charlene Marquart	Thomas Wolf
Roberta Cook	Myrle Hindman	Justin Mintle	John Wrigley
Patrick Cox	Susan (Ahl) Hinkle	Janice Nekuda	Roz Yost
	Patricia Holliday	Michel Nelson	

### Can You Help Us Locate the Following 1987 Graduates?

Marjorie (Baxa) Badousek	Sabina Cortney	Leroy Harris	Meredith (Wickwire) Rahman
Amy Borenphohl	Anita (Fritz) Cory	Betty Hohensee	Frank Rothell
James Braun	Sandra (Kinzie) Davis	Cristina (Durman) Jackson	Jeffery Rownd
Michael Carnes	Sharon Deal	Kristin (Weyer) Kraus	Gary Sexton
Lisa (Elder) Carroll	Jeffrey Doering	Tammy (Cottam) Lahndorf	Cynthia Shinn
Janette Catlett	Denise Gleason	Cherie Nedza	Charlene Smith
Owen Cheney	Lisa (Dissmeyer) Hanshaw	Mark Nemec	Dana Stoll
Bonnie (Bitting) Collins	Lori (Evers) Harder	Albert Oliver	Richard Timm
	Olivia Harlan		Kellie (Rhodd) Wiers

### In Memory of...

#### Beatrice

Louis "Jay" Stalder (Broadcasting, 1991),  
Broadcasting Instructor, 2008-2010,  
Instructional Designer, 2010-2016

#### Fairbury

Ted Allison (Academic Transfer, 1967)  
Gail Cane  
(Pre-Secondary Education, 1958)  
Michael R. Cook  
(Academic Transfer, 1973)  
Mary Ann (Koenig) Haney  
(Academic Transfer, 1973)  
Delmar L. Stolte  
(Academic Transfer, 1962)

# LINCOLN CAMPUS

## 2017 Lincoln Campus Distinguished Alumni Recognized

### Heather Talbott,

is a 2003 graduate of the Licensed Practical Nursing program. Talbott is the Trauma and Emergency Preparedness Manager at Bryan Medical Center.



### Jon Ruyle,

is a 2004 graduate of the Surgical Technology program. Ruyle is the Service Line Coordinator for Neuro/Spine and Orthopedic Surgery at CHI Health Good Samaritan in Kearney.



Read about Talbott and Ruyle accomplishments at <http://bit.ly/2017sccdistinguishedalumni>

## SCC Retirees Monthly Breakfast

SCC retirees are invited to attend the monthly breakfast scheduled on the second Wednesday of each month at 8 a.m. at Perkin's Restaurant, 48th & O, Lincoln, for an informal breakfast. Mark your calendars and plan to join us! Questions? Contact Jerry Gruber, 402-486-1128.

## In Memory of...

Don Chambers (Computer Information Technology, 1995; Professional Truck Driver Training, 2009)  
Patrick Aden (Human Services, 2013)  
Alyce Schroeder (Business Administration, 1984)

## Catching Up with Alicia Baillie, Early Childhood Education Program Chair 1985-2007



"The ten years since retirement have gone by so quickly. My days have been filled with having more time to connect with old friends and making new friends through classes and community activities.

I also simply enjoy the slower, more relaxed pace of each day, with fewer deadlines to meet. We feel extremely lucky to live in the same community as our two sons and daughters-in-law and our five grandchildren. Nothing is more rewarding than being able to be a part of their lives, attending their activities, celebrating their milestones and watching our grandchildren grow into wonderful, capable and delightful young adults. Travel has become our number one hobby and we have had the good fortune to be able to take several vacations with the entire family, lengthy road trips with the five grandchildren, and many vacations with family members and friends. To date we have visited all 50 states, 39 countries and 4 continents.

From the time I took my first education class I knew I not only wanted to teach, I wanted to BE a teacher. And my job at SCC allowed me the opportunity to hopefully give this same level of excitement and motivation to others to go out into the world and make a difference in the lives of children. At SCC,

I loved teaching but I also drew great pride in being a part of a very successful early childhood program. With the help of a dedicated and talented instructional staff and a very supportive administration, we were able to gain statewide and national recognition through visionary curriculum development, the introduction of online classes, articulation with four-year institutions, partnering with area high schools in Tech Prep articulation, establishing a scholarship specifically for early childhood students, and beginning the process of NAEYC Accreditation for the program.

The ECED Program will always be an important part of my life and it is wonderful to keep up with the growth, positive changes/additions, and the overall news of the program and college by continuing to stay connected with former and current ECED faculty and staff. Through social media and many chance meetings in the community, I have been able to keep in contact with former students, former professional contacts, and parents of former students, even those from my 1970 preschool years. Surprisingly, we all remember each other even though some of them have grown taller and some of us have grown older.

I would consider all students who were able to succeed and feel good about themselves, a success. I was always drawn to the student who came into the program feeling doubt about themselves and their ability to succeed, be it academically, financially or lack of self-esteem. I have watched many of these students graduate from the program, go on for higher degrees, find employment

and become wonderful parents and even grandparents. It is the dream of every educator to make a difference in the world through the children or adults whose lives they have touched. My mantra was and still is, Find a job you love and you will never have to work a day in your life. I thank SCC for awarding me this luxury!"

## Pat Wagner AWS Scholarship

The American Welding Society created the Pat Wagner Scholarship to be awarded as an academic and need-based scholarship to Welding Technology students. The local American Welding Society donated \$8,000 and the national AWS matched the scholarship for a total of \$20,000. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded annually. Pat Wagner served as Program Chair of the Welding Technology program from 1973 until 1991 and has remained active with the AWS, the SCC Welding Technology advisory committee, and customized training for businesses.



Dan Zabel, Co-Program Chair Welding Technology, presents an award to Pat Wagner for his continued involvement with AWS and the Welding Technology program.



## Lincoln Campus Retirements



the good of our society. I am honored and proud to have been a part of SCC.”

Change was the continuing force for Thomas during her tenure. Not only did the theories and trends in the ECED field evolve, she worked under four deans, five program chairs, and five campus directors during that time, all with different leadership styles, and even the location of the program moved several times

during that time frame. The trends and leadership in Early Childhood Education may have changed since Thomas began teaching but she never wavered in her desire to provide the best quality ECED education.

Retirement will find Deb traveling often to Virginia to be with her first grandchild to be born in May, exercising with her new-found love of yoga and Pilates, spending relaxed quality-time with friends and family and being a prayer warrior because there are so many needs in the world.

**Roger Will's** career brought practical, hands-on experience to the nursing students he taught for 28 years. The first four years of Will's SCC teaching career began in 1989 with the Practical Nursing

program and for the last 24 years, he nurtured, guided and taught students in the Associate Degree Nursing program.

Previous RN experience at Saint Elizabeth's, Mary Lanning Memorial, Bryan Health, Phelps Memorial Hospital, Hastings Regional Center, and Good Samaritan Center provided a solid base for the classes he taught in Gerontology, Nursing Concepts, Nursing Assessment, Pediatrics, both classroom and clinical. Will said, "Watching a student learn new concepts in nursing and apply them into their clinical experience has been rewarding. I am proud of the many graduates who have successful nursing careers after completing the Associate Degree Nursing program."

For 24 years, Roger has been the Nebraska Student Nurses Association (NSNA) representative and found the development of collegial relationships with faculty and staff to be some of his most enjoyable moments. Will said, "The college expansion and student enrollment have been the biggest change since I have been at SCC. When I began teaching in the ADN program, we had one computer that was shared with eight faculty members! I'll continue to work part-time in pediatrics at CHI-Health Saint Elizabeth but will find time to play golf, work on the farm, catch up on my reading and volunteer with my church."

Passion has driven the 40 ½ year career of **Deb Thomas**, Early Childhood Education instructor. Thomas said, "I have always wanted to be a teacher and even as early as third grade, I was playing "school." Teaching both face-to-face and online courses, updating curriculum, practicum supervision, serving as a student advisor, and participating in the Early Childhood Education advisory committee defined her job responsibilities. The most rewarding, however, was preparing students for careers in the field, as well as providing students with practical life applications. Thomas affirms the value of the ECED program and said, "I am passionate about the curriculum I've had the opportunity to teach because family life and child development are critically important to

Students attending the SCC Milford Campus Agriculture program in 1978 will likely remember **Barry Masin** as one of the then new instructors on campus. He said, "Since I had a farm background, I thoroughly enjoyed those three years of teaching at Milford and when the program was moved to the Beatrice Campus in 1981, it was an exciting time as we continued to develop the Agriculture Program and the Ag Center." With the growth of the Beatrice Campus, Masin accepted the position of Assistant Campus Director and Director of Continuing and Adult Education. Reflecting on the past, Masin said, "Those positions provided an exceptional opportunity to not only grow professionally but still continue to work one-on-one with students, which was one of the most gratifying roles I had at SCC." Accepting the Assistant Campus Director of the Lincoln Campus in 1990 brought new responsibilities working with the business office, including payroll and HR functions, bookstore operations, overseeing the installation of new phone systems, campus safety, and security.

In the early years of Masin's career, he recalled, "There were many times that Saturday's were spent with other employees at the college helping to remodel or paint classrooms in preparation for the new term, especially during the growth and development of the Beatrice Campus. Many things were remodeled to accommodate new educational needs, and that teamwork fostered a community spirit.

It not only created a great atmosphere of commitment but also developed long-lasting relationships with co-workers."

Masin and his wife, Jan, will now have the opportunity to leisurely travel to visit their children living in three different states and are especially looking forward to extra time with their two grandchildren. "I've come full-circle and am looking forward to

spending time on our farm at Ord, NE, catching up on the growing to-do list." True to Masin's character, he offered, "A sincere thank you to all of the great faculty and staff I have been privileged to work with on all SCC campuses for nearly 39 years. My career has been truly rewarding and I will treasure my association with SCC. The daily dedication by staff and faculty makes this the outstanding college it is today."



# LINCOLN CAMPUS

## Human Services Loses Good Friend



As Human Service faculty, staff, and students gathered to remember **Patrick Aden**, he was consistently described as someone dedicated to his work, an insightful and genuine clinical supervisor at Houses of Hope TASC Program, and unanimously as an individual that made a huge impact. With a smile and through tears, it was suggested that his red hair described his passion about life and the human service field. As a 2014 graduate from Human Services with a drug and alcohol focus, his ability to understand and easily build a rapport with clients was evident. Instructors could rely on Aden to share his opinions, question, and sometimes challenge the curriculum; all of which was well-received and allowed SCC instructors to grow. Aden was just as passionate about baseball and softball and was committed to coaching, especially when it involved his daughters. If there was an intense discussion about life and politics, he was part of the circle. Always seeking a new challenge, Aden continued his education in social work at Nebraska Wesleyan University and was one semester from receiving his bachelor's degree. Evident by the community support and monetary assistance provided to Aden's family, he was a well-loved friend to many. Aden's wife, Pamela, and his daughters, Rhiannon and Neriah, all of whom were his first priority, agree that the gifts Aden gave to so many will continue to grow in boundless ways in the years to come.

## 2016 Welding Technology Graduate Places in U.S. Weld Invitational

Traveling to the U.S. Weld Invitational Skills Contest in Huntsville, Alabama, was surreal for **Drake McNally**, 2016 Welding Technology graduate. McNally said, "It was quite a journey to go through the U.S. Weld Trials."

After winning the state competition in Omaha, he competed in the SkillsUSA National welding competition held in Louisville, Kentucky and placed fourth, competing with approximately 100 high school and post-secondary students across the United States. Placing fourth in the competition was an incredible accomplishment given the competition. By competing in the national competition, McNally was invited to participate in the American Welding Society U.S. Invitational Pre-trials, the start of a lengthy process of selecting the next young welder to represent the U.S. at the WorldSkills competition. The Pre-trials required competitors to submit welded joints and structures by mail to be judged by experts. The scoring criteria is stricter than any welding code in existence and with tight deadlines. McNally was six out of a total of 22 competitors that advanced to compete at the next stage of the U.S. Weld Invitational in Huntsville, AL.

Competitors at the Weld Trials had to be proficient in many forms of welding including SMAW, GTAW, FCAW, and GMAW. During the 18 hour competition, competitors worked to make near

perfect welds on test plates and welded structures that would also be subjected to destructive bend and pressure testing. McNally did not advance to



the final stage where the top three will compete for a chance to go to Dubai to determine the U.S. World Skill welder. He said, "I would do it over again in a heartbeat. The experience of challenging myself at such a high level along with meeting some of the best welders in the industry was definitely life changing and worth every second."

McNally's efforts were supported by the business community with donations of practice materials from TMCO, Tuttle, Inc., and Shanahan Mechanical & Electrical. Dan Zabel, Co-Program Chair of Welding Technology, accompanied McNally to the competitions and helped judge the competition along with the attending advisors. Zabel said, "It was exciting to see McNally participate at a national competition so competitively."

## SCC Graduate Sets Sights on 2020 Paralympics



With four National Wheelchair Tennis titles in just three years, **Taylor Graham** is a name to watch. "Four years ago after my motorcycle accident, I would have laughed if someone had told me I would obtain the goals I have now reached in a wheelchair", said Graham, 2016 Welding Technology graduate.

Initially, it was the weekly challenge

of matches with others from Madonna Rehabilitation teams that led into local and national tournaments. Graham shared, "Travel season begins soon with tournaments in Kansas City and Atlanta, Georgia. Winning the Men's B Doubles title with my partner, Jack Spicer, at the 2016 U.S. Open Wheelchair Tennis Tournament in St. Louis was a definite motivator to keep training. I want to play with the best of the best and that means playing in the Open division." Ranked eighth nationally in the Open division, he plays both doubles and singles, but prefers singles. Graham admits he keeps a grueling schedule with private lessons as he works toward the goal of reaching the 2020 Paralympics in Tokyo. Looking back, he said, "I'm proud of the physical and emotional hurdles I've overcome but honestly, I'll be even happier if I am selected to play in the 2020 Paralympics."

## Featured Year: 1987 Medical Laboratory Technology Graduates

### What's new with the 1987 MLT Instructors?

**Linda Beiriger**, MA, MT(ASCP) served as Program Chair from January 1980 until her resignation in November 1991. Beiriger continued her health care career serving as Education Manager for the Midwest Region Blood Services for the American Red Cross, Senior VP of Medical Services for Planned Parenthood of Nebraska and Council Bluffs, and most recently as the CE Program Coordinator with StrategicHealthSolutions, LLC. Strategic is a government contractor, working primarily for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. This position provided an opportunity to develop a continuing education program for the company and achieve accreditation with three national organizations: Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET).

In 1984, **Joyce Colombe**, MEd, MT(ASCP) was hired as a part-time instructor and has been a full-time instructor in the Medical Laboratory Technology Program since 1996. Joyce is also the MLT Clinical Site Coordinator and continues to find her career rewarding.



**Front row, from left:** Patricia Olson, Charlene Laughlin, Rebecca Cornett, Jaque Starrett.

**Back row, from left:** Suzanne Wilden, Instructors: Linda Beiriger, Joyce Colombe, Janis Bible, Alyce Watson, Melanie Brandenburg.

After 30 years with SCC, **Janis Bible**, BA, MT(ASCP) retired in 2015, having served as Program Chair for 23 years. She has been traveling to visit family, including seven grandchildren in Michigan, Texas, New York and Nebraska. Immersing herself into the community of Ceresco and getting to know fun and wonderful people consumes time when she is in Nebraska.

**Alyce Watson**, BS, MT(ASCP) began her teaching career at Southeast Community College in 1980 and retired in 2006. She primarily taught Microbiology for 25 years and helped many students gain the skills vital to their MLT career. Alyce has thoroughly enjoyed retirement for the last ten years. Upon her retirement, a scholarship was created in her honor, The Alyce Watson Scholarship, and has been awarded several times to MLT students.

### Design & Drafting Technology Presents Plaque to the Veteran's Center



**Front row, from left:** John Mamaril, SCC Registration Tech-Navy veteran; Marci Pennington, Vice-President, Student Veterans Organization-Army veteran; Charles Hildebrand, Instructor, Design & Drafting Technology, served in the National Guard, presents plaque to Patrick Klevemann, President, Student Veterans Organization-Army veteran, Patrick O'Neill, SCC Career Advisor-Marine Corps veteran; Terry Bartels, DDRT student, served in the Nebraska National Guard.

**Back row, from left:** Charles Brewer, SCC VA Representative; Todd Roth, Program Chair, Design & Drafting Technology; David Zachek, Instructor, Design & Drafting Technology-Army veteran; Chuck Elledge, Treasurer, Student Veterans Organization-Army veteran.

The Design & Drafting Technology program, CADD focus, created and presented a laser etched silhouette to the Veteran's Center on Veteran's Day. The celebration helped veteran's feel supported by their classmates and fellow veterans. "I'm really thankful we had such a good turnout and for the support we receive from students and faculty," said Student Veterans Organization president, Patrick Klevemann.

# MILFORD CAMPUS

## In Their Own Words



Hello, I'm **Bob McChesney, graduate of Diesel Technology, Class of 1966**. NVTS's (Nebraska Vocational Technical School) curriculum appealed to me since I wanted to work for a Caterpillar dealership, and the industry was very choosy in who they hired. My instructors were able to teach the theory and also relate studies to the "iron" out in the shop and in my classroom studies. They made me a believer in, "If you don't know how it works, you can't properly repair it". At enrollment time to NVTS in 1964, Vietnam wasn't a concern. However, after graduation in 1966, Vietnam was "HOT" so I enlisted in the division of Construction Mechanic in the U.S. Navy Seabees. My education at NVTS advanced me to 2nd class Petty Officer immediately. I became a top mechanic and was called upon many times for my mechanical knowledge. I made two deployments to Vietnam with NMCB 9 during 1967, 1968 and 1969.

After the military, I started my career in the service department of Nebraska Machinery, a Caterpillar dealership in North Platte, Nebraska. One day, I was contacted by Morrison Knudeson of Boise, Idaho to join their group to work on the Alaskan pipeline. I turned it down due to the frigid weather conditions. In

1979, I had an accident and was asked if I would be interested in becoming a service training instructor. It required many trips to Peoria, Illinois. I was certified by Caterpillar as truck engine instructor, machine instructor and also small and large bore engine instructor during the years of 1991 thru 2002. I have had students from Saudi Arabia, Japan, Scotland, Canada and almost every state in the Union. I've provided classes 1500 feet underground in a Trona Mine, Coal Strip Mines, Vo-Tech's, Junior Colleges, customer shops and dealer classrooms. I've been a local, state, and national judge for VICA (Vocational Industrial Club of America), been on the advisory board for the Wichita, Kansas Area Technical School and Salina, Kansas Vo-Tech

School. Later in time I got another call from Fabick Caterpillar dealership from St. Louis, Missouri asking if I would be interested in being a heavy equipment maintenance supervisor which would bring a salary of a quarter of a million dollars every six months for two years, tax free.

During my final years, before retirement, Caterpillar had just finished producing 12 of the 797 dump trucks, the world's largest. I was to receive three of them and the proving grounds in Arizona would receive the other nine. Six months later, I received 21 train cars of pieces, parts, and drawings to assemble the three trucks. Today those trucks are in operation in the coal mines of Wyoming. This story could continue for many pages of the people and places I have been due to the Caterpillar industry.

But my reason for writing this letter today happened BEFORE Caterpillar. It all started at NVTS, where I got a GREAT foundation for all my training. I will always remember my roots at NVTS and have tried to present classes as an instructor that had real value, no matter the subject, as I had received from Nebraska Vocational Technical School.



## 1967 Graduates Friday, May 5, 2017 50-Year Reunion

The Milford Campus of Southeast Community College (formerly Nebraska Vocational Technical School) will be hosting a 50-Year Alumni Reunion for all 1967 graduates of the Milford campus on Friday, May 5, 2017.

If you did not receive an invitation and would like to attend, please contact Shelly Tolle, Alumni Coordinator, at [stolle@southeast.edu](mailto:stolle@southeast.edu) or 402-761-8242. **Reservations are required.**

- 9 a.m. .... Welcome/Refreshments
- 9:30 a.m. .... History Video/Campus Tour
- 11:30 a.m. .... 1967 Graduate Group Pictures
- 11:45 a.m. .... Complimentary Buffet Lunch

## Harrifeld Receives Award



**Stacey Harrifeld**, SCC's Milford Campus Student Activities Coordinator, received a special recognition award from the Nebraska Community Blood Bank

for her work at coordinating blood drives in the Milford community. She said the award was a wonderful surprise. "It's awesome to see the students, staff and faculty of SCC Milford donate blood on a quarterly basis," Harrifeld said. "It is challenging, but once they see or hear of someone they helped, it makes all the difference. Harrifeld has been coordinating blood drives at SCC for 12 years.

## SCC Students Achieve Certified Manufacturing Technologist (CMfgT) Certification

Several SCC students prepared for and took the SME Certified Manufacturing



Technologist exam last fall. The CMfgT is an entry-level certification that benefits both new manufacturing engineers and experienced manufacturing engineers without other credentials. Pursuing a CMfgT certification requires a minimum of four years combined manufacturing-related education and/or work experience.

The CMfgT exam is a three hour exam. It consists of 130 multiple-choice questions that relate to courses in the Manufacturing Engineering and Precision Machining & Automation Technology programs, such as Applied Engineering Science, Materials and Mathematics, Product/Process Design, Manufacturing Process Applications and Operation, Automated Systems and Control, Quality and Continuous Improvement, Management and Personal Effectiveness.

### Congratulations to these December 2016 graduates who became Certified Manufacturing Technologists:

**Lars Anderson, Corey Ballue, Nicholas Barkhurst, Stewart Heidtbrink, Joshua Herrick, Kyle Kosalka, Owen Loden, and Precision Machine Student Lewis Littlejohn.**

### Featured Year: 1967



“After years of using my skills and knowledge learned at Milford, I am now working on my “bucket list” as a heavy equipment operator. I have recommended Milford several

times to others over the years. To me it is one of the best.”

*Gerry Schulz, 1967 Diesel Graduate*

## Randy Rink, The Wagon Man



quarter scaled wagons for pedal tractors. I enjoyed this so much that I decided to make different styles of wagons. Styles now include barge boxes, flair boxes, and gravity flow boxes. My wagons sit on a steel running gear with tie-rod steering, and everything but the gravity flow can be fitted with a functional lift cylinder. Longer handles for pulling the wagons by hand also can be added.

I have been building small wagons for pedal tractors and larger ones for acreages. They range in size from 18 by 32 inches to 4 by 8 feet. Over the past 12 years I generally go to five to eight antique tractor shows and flea markets displaying my wagons.”

Visit [www.wagonmanne.com](http://www.wagonmanne.com).

*Randy Rink  
1971 Building Construction  
Technology Graduate*



“While in school I got interested in masonry and concrete. I got a job in Omaha laying block and brick, moved around a bit and also had my own business from 1980 to 1986. I then got a job in Lincoln working for Stephens and Smith Construction pouring and finishing concrete for 28 years before retiring.

My true passion is building things. I made a living in the concrete and carpentry construction industry with a hobby on the side of building furniture and other things for myself and my family. Over coffee one day, my friends decided I needed to branch out into building something more unique. We were discussing tractors and the decision was made to build wagons. In 2003, I started building quality hand-crafted

## Don Masten Accepted into Nebraska Water Leaders Academy



**Don Masten** of Loomis, NE, was recently accepted into the seventh class of the Nebraska Water Leaders

Academy, a one-year program that provides leadership training and educates participants about the vital role of rivers, streams and aquifers play in the economic sustainability of the state.

Masten is a division manager at Ag

Valley Water Resources in Loomis. He earned an AAS degree from Southeast Community College, Milford. He is a licensed pilot and a certified law officer for Nebraska.

A project of the Water Futures Partnership-Nebraska, Academy sessions feature classroom as well as field trip experiences presented by acknowledged experts in leadership and natural resource topics held at locations across the state. The Water Leaders Academy is partially funded through a grant from the Nebraska Environmental Trust and more than 25 other organizations and individuals.

*1981 Diesel Technology Graduate*

## In Memory of...

Patrick E. Baroch (Drafting, 1965;  
Auto Body, 1971)

Delbert Bedeaux (Diesel, 1975)

Wes Bowers (Electrical, 1981)

Thomas Brunz (Electronics, 1972)

Trey Calvert (NDT, 2011)

Jeffrey Jarecki (JD Tech, 2008)

David J. Knabe (Diesel Truck, 1980)

Randolph Krumland (Electronics, 1966)

Jordan Lampila

(Computer Programming, 2002)

Lee R. Miley (Auto Body, 1970)

Raymond “Dale” Philson (Diesel, 1956)

Richard “Rick” Ramaekers

(Machine Tool, 1956)

Kenneth L. Rohde (HVAC, 1956)

Alyce Schroeder

(Computer Programming, 1984)

Berwin R. Shaffer, III (Electrical, 1982)

Louis “Jay” Stalder

(Retired, Instructional Designer)

Leslie “Les” Stark (Diesel, 1962)

Barry Stutzman (Parts, 1993)

Ronald G. Tremain (Auto Body, 1962)

Larry G. Walford

(Building Construction, 1974)

Patrick Whisler (Electronics, 1980)

# MILFORD CAMPUS

## Class Reunion Ends with Visit to Milford

Classmates Les Simonsen, Brian Lackey and Barry Pleshek organized a 35-year class reunion at the Embassy Suites in downtown Lincoln last January 21, 2017. 13 of the 20 classmates were able to attend. Barry Pleshek shared, “everyone enjoyed just visiting and catching up on old times and reflecting on some of the crazy things we did some 35 years ago. A few of us brought our photo albums, after somehow locating those old 35 mm photos!

We decided staying in Lincoln just wouldn't do the reunion justice so we all loaded up in a few cars and headed west

to Milford. We had a special place that we all called ‘home’ during our 18 months in school, and that hangout was then called Willy’s (now Sheri’s Grill and Bar). We made reservations for our group, ensuring we could all sit in the same area, not that it may have been a problem, but we didn’t want to chance it. After a good dinner and swapping a few more stories, we all went our separate ways, but not before taking a driving tour around the campus and town. Too many memories to just let go and not complete the event with the tour.”



**Front row, from left:** Jeff Reed, Andy Buss, Gregg Fujan, Mark Foxworthy, Brian Farris, Daryl Debus, Tim Fricke.  
**Second row, from left:** Jim Baumert, Keith Hansen, Kent Theobald, Barry Pleshek, Mike SeEVERS, Steve Penney.  
**Third row, from left:** Les Simonsen, Tom Marksmeier, Rex Varilek, Brian Nelson, Brian Lackey, Rick Hoover, Steve Schuelke.



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 Not pictured: Mark Foxworthy.

## Generous Donation from Encore Electric



Representatives from Encore Electric, Lakewood, CO recently presented a check in the amount of \$1,000

to Southeast Community College’s Electrical/Electromechanical Technology program. Ken Reinsch, program chair, stated, “The funds will be used to purchase equipment and/or supplies to enhance our student’s learning. Thank you Encore Electric!” SCC appreciates your support.

**From left:** Jeff Thompson, Vice President; Ken Reinsch, SCC program chair; Tyler Hubl, Foreman/Superintendent and 2001 EL/EM Graduate; Nick Jennings, Resource Specialist; and Erin Buker, Executive Assistant.



## We Like to Hear from Our Graduates!

**1965** - “I have always felt that attending Milford Trade School was the kick start to a very enjoyable life. I think about the building trades department and how it improved my life every day. Thank you Milford, SCC.”

*Dave Kinsey  
 1965 Building Construction Graduate*

**1975** - “Less than six months ‘til retirement! Thank you SCC Milford for the education; used it my entire working life.”

*James Luedtke  
 1974 Diesel and 1975 Automotive Graduate*

**2002** - “Glad to be part of SCC’s alumni. Like to work with the Milford John Deere Tech program and help the younger generation enroll in a great school!”

*Kurt Miller, Location Vice President/Manager,  
 Heritage Tractor, Atchison, KS  
 2002 John Deere Ag Parts Graduate*

**2006** - “Thank you for everything SCC! Would not have this life without the training you gave me!”

*Brandon Hatley, Journeyman Substation Tech,  
 Nebraska Public Power District, Norfolk, NE  
 2006 Electrical Graduate*

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\$29 per participant (nonrefundable); includes tools, meals, housing, and transportation to a special activity.  
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To register or for more information, contact Rick Morphew,  
SCC Milford Campus, 600 State St., Milford, NE 68405 or at 800-933-7223, ext. 8317, or [rmorphew@southeast.edu](mailto:rmorphew@southeast.edu).

## Featured Year: 1987



Volkswagen races, tug-of-war competitions, cart races, human pyramid races, and baseball bat relays were some of the popular events at the annual Tech Follies in the '80s. The day of fun competition among students and staff always ended with a watermelon feed.



## Can You Help Us Locate the Following 1967 Graduates?

**We want to stay in touch with our grads!** Email information to [alumni@southeast.edu](mailto:alumni@southeast.edu) or call **800-933-7223 ext. 8242**.

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Charles DeHaes	Larry Hopkins	Leroy Ludemann	Roger Porter	Ernie Sears	Greg Wielage
David Gibson	David Hruby	Larry Ludwig	Freddy Richards	Wynn Secrest	Richard Wilkin
John Gies	David Johnson	Dennis Lynch	James Risor	Steve Sheldon	Harold Wright
Bruce Hansen					

## Can You Help Us Locate the Following 1987 Graduates?

Omar Abu-Hamda	David Donham	Kern Gydesen	Chu-Neng (John) Lin	Cynthia Neal	Ed Stenger
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Roy Birnbrook	Scott Essen-Cline	Rodney Hauck	Joseph Marker	John Price	Todd Sweley
Randy Bourdess	David Fett	Patrick Hofmann	Jack Martin	Jeffrey Quirk	Raymond Thewke
Kevin Burritt	Steven Finkral	Sridhar Janakiram	Kevin McIntyre	William Renaud	Phil Thompson
Kevin Cape	Rogena Fox	Lon Jensen	Mark Miller	Scot Rutherford	Leonard Tschacher
Kenneth Carl	Debra Franzen	David Karel	Penny Miner	Mark Shepherd	Christopher Volwiler
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Joseph Chambers	Trae Garvie	David Koch	Vaughn Moseley	Kevin Smith	Michael Wright
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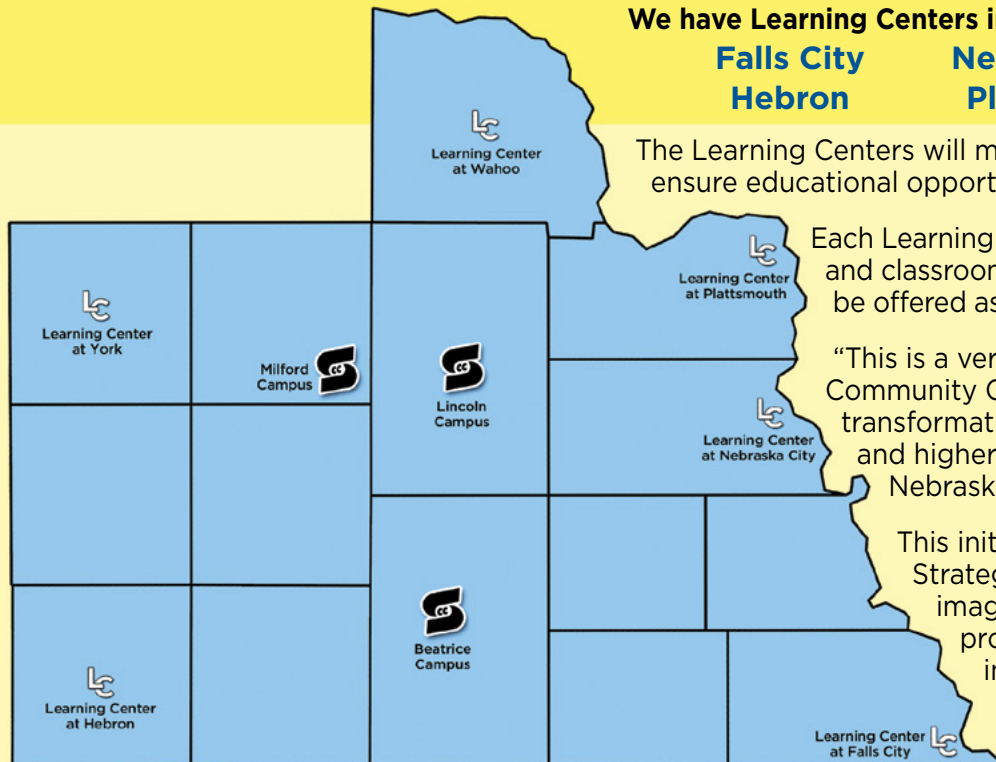
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The Learning Centers will meet the needs of many residents to ensure educational opportunities for everyone.

Each Learning Center will have its own computer lab and classroom. Credit and non-credit courses will be offered as well as business and industry training.

“This is a very exciting time for Southeast Community College as it establishes a new transformational direction to meet the current and higher education needs of southeast Nebraska,” said SCC President, Dr. Paul Illich.

This initiative is part of the 2015-2019 Strategic Plan to “Enhance and expand image and awareness of the College’s programs and services through innovative, comprehensive, and dynamic marketing and promotion strategies.”



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