



Foundation Update

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Paul W. Davis Award Winner – Don Edwards

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In 2004-05, Paul W. Davis was a student in the Honors program at SVCC. A benefit of the Honors program was a laptop computer. Davis majored in Information Systems Technology (IST) and after graduation worked in the industry. He currently works in Washington DC and continues to support SVCC and our students



Don Edwards (center) is pictured with the four instructors who inspired Mr. Davis to create the award. They are (left to right) Tommy Wright, Joan Tuck, Diane Nipper and Will Hamilton.

and says that his honors laptop opened a new world for him. Mr. Davis was greatly inspired by the dedication, instruction and giving spirit of four particular SVCC instructors and has honored them by providing a computer to a SVCC student annually. The most recent recipient of the Paul W. Davis Award is Don Edwards.

Ben L. Watson Benchmark Community Bank Scholarship

Dr. Al Roberts (left), Provost of the John H. Daniel Campus, thanks Michael O. Walker (right), President and CEO of Benchmark Community Bank, for a donation to the SVCC Foundation Ben L. Watson Benchmark Community Bank Scholarship. This scholarship was established in 2005 upon the retirement of Mr. Watson from the bank and provides assistance to a SVCC student interested in the business arena.



Patricia A. Garland Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship



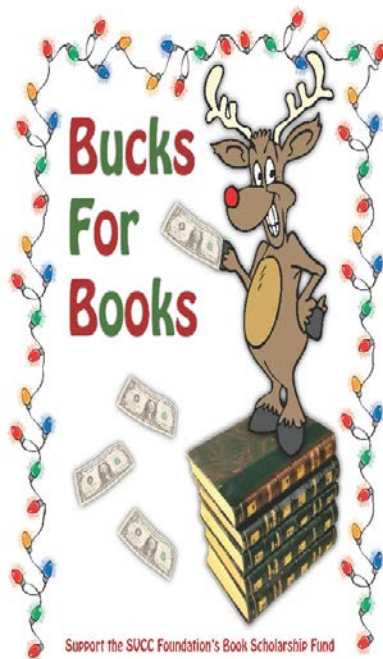
J. C. Gascon (left) is the 2011-12 Patricia A. Garland Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship recipient. The Legacy program is funded by the Virginia Community College System Foundation and each year the scholarship is named for Leaders in Philanthropy at each of the 23 colleges. J. C. graduated from Nottoway County High School. J. C. and his family joined Ms. Garland for a special luncheon sponsored by the VCCS in Richmond. J. C. is congratulated by the Chancellor of the VCCS, Dr. Glenn DuBois (right).

Dr. Earle W. Moore Award

Donna L. Jones (left) received the 2011 Dr. Earle W. Moore Award which commemorates the instrumental role Dr. Moore (right) played in the establishment of the Estes Community Center in Chase City. Donna lives in Drakes Branch and graduated from the Southside Virginia Community College Practical Nursing program. She was a member of the National Honor Society and on the SVCC President's list.



When..... books are expensive! The SVCC retired and current faculty and staff participated in a "lottery" to raise money for the establishment of a student book scholarship as a part of the Holiday Luncheon celebration. The theme, Bucks for Books, was designed in the spirit of the holidays but donations are still being accepted!!!



Caught With A Smile!

Members of the SVCC Foundation Board of Directors and the SVCC Local Board recently attended a conference sponsored by the Virginia Community College Foundation. Included were Win Baker, Bobby Wrenn, Mickey Sims, Stephen Parker, Carthan Currin and Mary Reed. Mary is caught by the photographer with a big smile!



"I like a teacher who gives you something to take home to think about besides homework." - Lily Tomlin