



# *Honors Convocation*



Thursday,  
May 21, 2009  
2:30 pm  
Kelsey Theatre,  
West Windsor  
Campus



*Change will not  
come if we wait for  
some other person or  
some other time. We  
are the ones we've been  
waiting for. We are  
the change that we seek.*

*-Barack Obama*



### *Introduction*

Dr. Donald Generals  
Vice President for  
Academic Affairs

### *Presiding...*

Alvyn Haywood  
Assistant Professor,  
Communications

### *Welcome*

Dr. Patricia C. Donohue,  
President

### *Musical Interludes*

John Gervasoni  
Joseph Lewis  
Benjamin Russert  
Kent Watanabe



## Academic Awards

<b>Arts and Communication Division</b>	Judith Ehresman, <i>Dean</i>
<b>Advertising Design</b> Samuel Willig Memorial Scholarship	Christiana H. Cortes
<b>Architecture</b> Outstanding Achievement	James R. Piccone, Jr. Michael J. Smith, Jr.
<b>Art History</b> Outstanding Achievement	Jessica L. Pochesci
<b>Ceramics</b> Outstanding Achievement	Gary Kleyman
<b>Civil Engineering Technology</b> Outstanding Achievement	Derek S. McClung
<b>Communication</b> Outstanding Achievement Troxell Communications Scholarship	Leah R. Hodge Caroline J. Fling Shaquera J. Parish
<b>Dance</b> Outstanding Achievement	Molly B. Restine
<b>Digital Media Arts</b> Outstanding Achievement	Brian C. Bennett
<b>Fine Arts</b> Jack Harris Memorial Scholarship Mel Leipzig Scholarship	Ryan Lawyer Christopher T. Maslowski
<b>Heating &amp; Refrigeration</b> Outstanding Achievement	Edgar Ress
<b>Music</b> Outstanding Achievement Instrumental Award	Karen A. Kacvinski Karen A. Kacvinski
<b>Photography</b> Outstanding Achievement	Eva Meyer Cindy L. Lebedz
<b>Television</b> WZBN TV Inc. Scholarship	Chrysti L. Neuman

## Academic Awards

### Business and Technology Division

Mark McCormick, *Dean*

#### Accounting

Outstanding Achievement  
Accounting Scholarship

Brenda Usdin  
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#### Accounting & Management

Outstanding Achievement  
New Jersey Society of Certified Public  
Accountants Scholarship

Kenya T. Jackson

Waka Petrillo  
Pazit M. Kaplan

#### Aviation Flight Technology

Outstanding Achievement

Colin C. Stewart

#### Business Administration

Outstanding Achievement  
Robert Harris Memorial Scholarship  
Fred Anker Memorial Scholarship

Tatana Cepkova  
Mikheil Skhulukhia  
Michelle Szumloz

#### Business Management

Outstanding Achievement

Deborah Cabrera

#### Marketing

Outstanding Achievement

Kevin Nock

#### Small Business Management

Outstanding Achievement

Jeannie M. Davis

#### Criminal Justice Scholarship

Mercer County Association of Chiefs of Police

Michal Vrtik

#### Funeral Service

Outstanding Achievement

Robert J. Jedziniak

#### Funeral Service Preparatory

Outstanding Achievement

Jill C. Summers

#### Funeral Service Certificate

Outstanding Achievement

Tiffany T. Virginio

#### Hotel, Restaurant & Institution Management

Outstanding Achievement

Nina A. Fiorentini

#### Catering Management

Outstanding Achievement

Heather M. Gibbs

#### Information Technology

Outstanding Achievement

Peter Korosi

#### Information Systems

Outstanding Achievement

Remus Baltaretu

#### Medical Office Assistant

Outstanding Achievement

Jacqueline Tennant

#### Paralegal Program

Outstanding Achievement

Patricia L. Tsilimidos

#### Paralegal Certificate

Outstanding Achievement

JoAnne M. Wireman  
Timothy J. Falls

#### Travel Agent Certificate

Outstanding Achievement

Latha Ganesan





## Academic Awards

### Liberal Arts Division

Dr. G. Robin Schore, *Dean*

#### Education

**MCCC Faculty Association Scholarship  
in honor of Professor Emeritus David E. Collier**

Susana M. Sanchez  
Stephanie M. Morici

**Mercer County Retired Educators Association  
Scholarship**

Cheryl A. Pocino  
Jacqueline Fernandes

#### Mathematics

**Professor Betty Wallace Cornelius Mathematics  
Excellence Award**

Ryan J. Schwartz

**Excellence in Mathematics**

Alex Savu

#### Political Science

**Outstanding Achievement**

Matthew J. Rossi

**Rick Rednor AIDS Foundation Scholarship**

Kelly M. Moore

## Academic Awards

### Science and Health Professions Division

Linda Martin, *Dean*

#### Biology

William Dowd Memorial Scholarship

Gulden Kaplan

#### Chemistry

Outstanding Achievement

Timothy J. Klockner

#### Medical Laboratory Technology

Susan Farabaugh Memorial Scholarship

Melissa B. Dukas

#### Nursing

Employee Memorial Scholarship

Teodora C. Baltaretu

#### Horticulture

American Rhododendron Society Scholarship

Andrew J. Lindstrom  
Diane Sanders-Gomez

#### Physical Therapy

Physical Therapist Assistant Scholarship

Matthew B. Kelly

Physical Therapist Assistant Leadership Scholarship

Melissa Szasz

#### Radiography

Theresa Ann Antinoro Memorial Scholarship

Emmanuel Donkor

Mallinckrodt Medical Recognition Award

Emmanuel Donkor

### Service and Activity Awards

Dr. L. Diane Campbell,  
*Executive Dean for  
Student Affairs*

**Mercer County Women's Tennis Academic Achievement** Katrina E. Brophy

**Dr. Cynthia Schaffer Memorial Scholarship**

Heidi L. Summers  
Jason A. Zegarski

## 2009 NJ STARS Graduates

Sylvester Agyei  
Kristin M. Boka  
Stephanie Ann Crawford  
John Frank Falconio  
Caroline J. Fling  
Katherine Lynn Forlano  
Kristin Rose Furbeck  
Raymond Allen Geherty  
Marissa Gorhau

Richard Robert Green  
Leah R. Hodge  
Lisa Lee  
Derek S. McClung  
Kelly Melissa Moore  
Jessica Jamie Mulvan  
Bartolo Fabio Padalino  
James R. Piccone Jr.  
Paul S. Richardson

Matthew J. Rossi  
Chad Sabo  
Nicole Deena Schulnick  
Michelle Lynn Szumloz  
Stephany A. Tuche  
Gloria Brianne Vonschmidt  
Charlene Lorraine Waltz  
Melissa Marie Wolverton  
Jason Aaron Zegarski





## Academic Awards

### Special Academic Awards & Scholarships

*Dr. Donald Generalis,  
Vice President for  
Academic Affairs*

#### Academic Affairs Award

Mabel Duran-Sanchez  
Michael D. Immordino  
Gulden Kaplan  
Matthew J. Rossi

#### Abrams Foundation Scholarship

Matthew J. Rossi  
Tiffany T. Virginio

#### Albert B. Kahn Foundation Scholarships

##### A.A. Degree

Matthew J. Rossi  
Susana M. Sanchez  
Carolynne Lewis-Arévalo

##### A.F.A Degree

Sharon R. Seeman

##### A.S. Degree

James Piccone, Jr.  
Remus Baltaretu  
Michelle L. Szumloz

##### A.A.S Degree

Tiffany T. Virginio  
Merle G. Barge  
Cinnamon M. McKinley

#### Philip Shein Memorial Scholarship

Pazit Kaplan

#### Mercer County Community College Honors Program Scholars

Kristin M. Boka  
Michael Kay  
Susana M. Sanchez  
Kelly L. Wittkop

## Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa, the International Honor Society of the Two Year College for students enrolled in colleges that award the associate degree, recognizes and encourages student scholarship.

### Alpha Theta Gamma Chapter

#### *Stole and Tassel Awards*

##### 3 Star Awards

Deborah M. Cabrera  
Michael Szubrowski  
Carolynne Lewis-Arévalo  
Tiffany T. Virginio  
Susana M. Sanchez  
Kelly L. Wittkop  
Laura E. Stapperfenne

##### 2 Star Awards

Mabel Duran-Sanchez  
Tyeakiejia Santiago  
Belinda Evans  
Mikheil Skhulukhia  
Waka Petrillo



### Phi Theta Kappa Inductees

#### Fall 2008

Christina Aniboli  
Tsveta Bacheva  
Stephanie Bahr  
Remus Baltaretu  
Debra Barker  
Joshua Barnick  
Eric Bauer  
Andrea Baxter  
Nicole Baylies  
Lisa Bennett  
Barry Samuel Blackwell  
Maria Brenna  
Robert Brown  
Patty Bumbara  
Stefanie Burnett  
Linda Bush  
Ian Camp  
Lauren Canosa  
Bo Cao  
Daniel Cessaro  
Rosanna Chuang  
Savonne Clegg  
Jarrett Courtney  
Virginia De La Torre  
Alyssa DeCarlo  
Krystyn Delfino  
Czarina Edrosa  
Belinda Evans  
Matthew Vincent Ezzo  
Mina Farag  
Jessicarose Fattibene  
Ian Fisher  
Kristin Furbeck  
Judith Galayda  
Zeinul Haswary  
Dionne Henry

Vingoc Hoang  
Leah Hodge  
James Hodges  
Dawn Hubbard  
Candice Jackman  
Diane Jedski  
Cheol Jung  
Karen Kacvinski  
Brian Kaplan  
Himali Karnik  
Harpreet Kaur  
Michael Kay  
Peter Korosi  
Ewelina Kucio  
Grace Kwok  
Georgia Lalla  
Yu Lung Law  
Kelly Lechner  
Kristine Lepellis  
Amy Lever  
Jennifer Lopez  
Jessica Martin  
Jaclyn Martinac  
Monika Mazur  
Danielle McCaulley  
Sean McEvenie  
Josh Merrington  
Latasha Moses  
Yasmeen Mukaddam  
Carolyn Myslinski  
Chrysti Neuman  
Moussa Niany  
Jamie Nichols  
Jennifer Novonglosky  
Effie Odoyo  
David Ogden

Jaehwan Oh  
Lisa Orent  
Laura Paskauskaite  
Nayan Patel  
Alejandra Perez-Ojeda  
Jessica Pochesci  
Edgar Relevante Jr.  
Natasha Rodriguez  
Leisy Rodriguez  
Chad Sabo  
Jennifer Santos  
Alexandru Savu  
Angelica Septien  
Mikheil Skhulukhia  
Nakinyah Smith  
Wendy Solymosi  
Matthew Spille  
Michael Stroppa  
Eva Surany  
Kasia Sweeny  
Melissa Szasz  
Anthony Telese  
Megan Tellefsen  
Peng Wai Tham  
Kai Tung  
Daniel Turkel  
Lynda Uzonwune  
Donna Vaccaro  
Annmarie Volberg  
Mark Wartenburg  
Kent Watanabe  
Taryn Whitehead  
Lisette Winans  
Melissa Wolverton  
Pingping Zeng







*Phi Theta Kappa continued...*

### **Spring 2009 Inductees**

Saruulzaya Altansumberel  
Jaime A. Antonio-Bravo  
Ian Baker  
Pamela Ballard  
Thomas Elliot Battle  
Eric Bauer  
Suzanne Marie Bauerle  
Joann Dressner Baumgarten  
John Peter Beehler  
Brian Bennett  
Agnieszka Biesiadecka  
Jamie Brenner  
Kelly Brooks  
Devonn Bruce  
Daniella Burgos  
Tatiana Burgos Bohorquez  
Zachary T. Burkhalter  
Umar A. Butt  
Merlita Caparro  
AJ Cashman  
Laura Chambers  
Ann Ledger Christensen  
Christopher Collins  
Chris Colotti  
Sebastian Compagnucci  
Theodore L. Condo  
Peter Cosma  
Antione Costello  
Victoria Covert  
Walter Coyoy Rodas  
Jie Cui  
Amy Danka  
Amanda Rose DeFiccio  
Ann Dello Iacono  
Ashley Devine  
Adam Diabelko  
Denise Kendall Dingwall

Matthew Ducca  
Piers Duffell  
Elham Sualih Dumer  
Stephanie Ewaskiewicz  
Caroline S. Fabian  
Riccardo Falcone  
Sheeba George  
Colleen C. Goodwin  
Jessica Gordienko  
Maureen Gottfried  
Agnieszka Gronek  
Suha Gur  
Matthew Hammer  
Steve Heslop  
Kenya T. Jackson  
E. Dainel Jacob  
Veeda Jadoo  
Katie Johnston  
Jessica Kernizan  
Victor Khatchadourian  
Pamela J. Kotula  
Barbara Libensperger  
Nikolette Lichtman  
Anuroop Mangat  
Ryan Mark  
Andrew Maza  
Donna Mazzella  
Krystina McMullen  
Suzi M. Miskolczi  
Ruth Ann Mitchell  
Deirdre Mraw  
Biserka Nikolova  
Elham Oumer  
Bryan Paci  
Andrew R. Parag  
Jamila Pretlow  
Kaitlin Radziwanowski

Lianne Radziwanowski  
Alex Raphael  
Becca Rhebergen  
Olivia Rivera  
Michael Anthony Ryfinski  
Kateland Sage  
Erin Michelle Scherer  
Scott Hans Schornstaedt  
Tyann Sells  
David Smaus  
Jeffrey Martin Spitz  
Shay Lynn Staiti  
Danielle Steward  
Ashley Rose Stumbaugh  
Kayathri D. Sudhakar  
Koh Seng Tan  
Wing Geok-Eng Tan  
Lindsey Tippet  
Juan V Trinidad  
Cynthia Lee Troncone  
Tamara Uhaze  
Elizabeth Valte  
David R. Venanzi  
Kristen Vincent  
Toby N. Weissman  
Dawn Whetstone  
Gary Wyckoff  
Josh Ziegelbaum  
Sara Marissa Ziegelbaum  
Sarah E. Zimmer  
Greg Zytke

## Alpha Mu Gamma

Alpha Mu Gamma is the national collegiate foreign language honor society.  
The following graduates were inducted into the Kappa Iota Chapter this academic year:

Nelly Aranibar	Japanese	Trecy John Charles	Spanish
Saverina Arcuri	Italian	Amanda Juniak	Spanish
Danielle Atchison	Spanish	Robin Kelly	Spanish
Lisa Bennett	Spanish	Yu Lung Law	Spanish
Kristin Boka	Spanish	Alyse Magrelli	Spanish
Robin Clausen	Spanish	Courtney Moses	Spanish
Felicia Correa	Spanish	Yesenia Nazario	Spanish
Mabel Duran-Sanchez	French	Maria Posacka	Spanish
Lauren Fechter	French	Monique Simon	French
Katherine Forlano	Spanish	Megan Tellefsen	Spanish
Christiana Griscom	Latin	Stephanie Twers	Spanish
David Hoyt	Japanese	Aiste Velyvyte	French
Jenette Jedeski	French	Lucy Yang	Spanish

## Who's Who Among Students

Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges honors community college students for outstanding scholastic and community achievements.

Saruulzaya Altansumberel	Josh D. Merrington
Alexandra M. Aneiros	Theresa T. Mizenko
Matthew Barron	Shaheed Morris
Nicholas Bella	Chrysti Neuman
Simone D. Bryant	Biserka Nikolova
Ketlinado Bullard	Quinshawna Phillips
Tatiana Burgos	Christopher Randolph
Adrienne Cameron	Nisha Rattan
Kim Davis	Gloria E. Rodriguez
Alyssa M. DeCarlo	Susana Sanchez
Maria Delaracruz	Rachael Scheuerman
James Delre	Caitlin J. Schondek
Hannah M. Dietrich	Adrienne L. Sherwin
William Dripps	Kristen A. Sleister
Mabel Duran-Sanchez	Laura E. Stapperfenne
Zarina Dzhumabaeva	Elizabeth Stinson
Michael J. Frey	Keith M. Stover
Nicole Glonek	Ashley Rose Stumbaugh
Wilbert Harrington	Heidi Lynn Summers
David C. Hoyt	Chuck R. Svenson
Michael Immordino	Michael J. Szubrowski
Diane M. Jedski	Christiane Tchonko
Samantha Jemison	Kyaw Thu
Brandon Jimenez	Deniz Torun
Shawn Khan	Amalia M. Walters
Christopher J. Kubik	Jason A. Zegarski
Brianna Lacava	
Xiaohui Liu	
Daniel McWhite	





# MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE Scholarships and Awards

## May 21, 2009

**Abrams Foundation** is an endowed fund contributed by the Abrams Foundation for outstanding MCCC graduating students planning to continue at four-year colleges. This award is in memory of Samuel Abrams, David Abrams and Sue Abrams. A special application is required.

**Academic Division Awards** are made by the faculty on the basis of outstanding scholastic achievement in a specified field of study.

**Accounting Scholarship** is given to an outstanding accounting graduate on the basis of academic achievement.

**American Rhododendron Society Scholarship** is given to an outstanding student graduating from the Horticulture program.

**Fred Anker Memorial Scholarship** is given in memory of this Business Division faculty member and dean to an outstanding student in business administration.

**Theresa Ann Antinoro Memorial Scholarship** is given in memory of Teri Conti Antinoro, awarded to a graduating student in the Radiography program.

**William Dowd Memorial Scholarship** is given to an outstanding biology graduate on the basis of academic achievement.

**The Professor Betty Wallace Cornelius Mathematics Excellence Award** is given in memory of Professor Betty Cornelius, 2006 Distinguished Teaching Award recipient, to an outstanding mathematics student.

**Employee Memorial Scholarship** is awarded in memory of Clara Lidz, MCCC Director of Nursing, to a student graduating from the Nursing program.

**Susan Farabaugh Memorial Scholarship** is given in memory of Susan Van Street Farabaugh to a graduating student who is pursuing a higher education in the field of pathology.

**Jack Harris Memorial Scholarship** is given in memory of Jack Harris, former faculty member in the Arts and Communication Division.

**Robert Harris Memorial Scholarship** is given in memory of this former Business Division Dean and faculty member to an outstanding student in Business Administration.

**Albert B. Kahn Foundation Awards** are donated in memory of Albert B. Kahn, Esq. for monetary prizes for high academic achievement.

**Mallinckrodt Medical Recognition Award** is awarded to graduating radiography students who demonstrate professional excellence in the clinical education component of the program. Selection is based on clinical evaluation by clinical instructors.

**MCCC Faculty Association Scholarship Award In Honor of Professor Emeritus David E. Collier** is given to a graduating student pursuing a teaching career.

**Mel Leipzig Scholarship** is given to an outstanding artist with evidence of admission to a four year university.

**Mercer County Retired Educators Association Scholarships** are presented to students graduating from an Education program.

**Mercer County Women's Tennis Academic Award** is an endowed scholarship awarded to the team member with the highest G.P.A.

**NJ STARS** is a state-sponsored scholarship program that is specifically designed for community college students. Starting with the class of 2004, New Jersey high school students who graduated in the top 20 percent of their New Jersey high school class became eligible.

**The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants Scholarship** is given to a graduating student continuing his or her education at a New Jersey four-year college.

**Phi Theta Kappa Awards** are given by the Alpha Theta Gamma Chapter of this international honors society of the two year college to outstanding graduates planning to continue their education at four-year colleges.

**Physical Therapist Assistant Scholarship** is awarded to a Physical Therapist Assistant student who demonstrates academic excellence in Physical Therapist Assistant courses.

**The Physical Therapist Assistant Leadership Scholarship** is given to a graduating student showing outstanding leadership qualities.

**Rick Rednor AIDS Foundation Scholarship** is given in memory of Rick Rednor by family and friends to a graduating student furthering his or her education toward a career in HIV/AIDS awareness and/or research.

**Dr. Cynthia Schaffer Memorial Scholarship** is given in memory of Dr. Cynthia Schaffer, former MCCC Foundation Board member, to a graduating scholar athlete.

**Philip Shein Memorial** is an endowment fund from the estate of Jules Y. Shein for a scholarship to an outstanding graduate of the college.

**Troxell Communications Scholarship** is given to a graduating student pursuing a career in Journalism.

**Samuel Willig Memorial Award** is given in memory of this faculty member and chairperson of the art department to an outstanding student in the Advertising Design program.

**WZBN TV Inc. Scholarship** is awarded to a graduating student who is continuing to pursue a higher education in the field of broadcasting.



