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Limited Tutoring at MIND Center for Summer

Good news! The MIND Center will now be open for a limited number of tutoring sessions, primarily for students taking developmental math classes. Teresa Jordan will be available for 10 hours each week with the final summer schedule to be determined by student needs. Some group tutoring may be organized if the demand is greater than the number of available tutors. If a student is unable to visit the MIND Center during the scheduled hours, Ms. Jordan will leave tutoring applications at the Main Building reception desk and at the library circulation desk. Students may return completed forms to the MIND Center and leave them in the inbox on the door or slide them underneath if Ms. Jordan is not available. Thanks to Dr. Eason, Dr. Brewer, and Ms. Jordan for their work to make this limited tutoring opportunity

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Dr. Fields Retires

Dr. Frank P. Fields retires from the Mitchell Community College Board of Trustees after 29 years of service. Dr. Ralph Bentley, Board Chair, presents a plaque to Dr. Fields (right) recognizing him as Mitchell's first Emeritus Trustee.

CNA Graduation

More photos from the June 23 CNA I and II Pinning Ceremony can be viewed on Flickr at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/mitchellcc/sets/72157620463701453/>



Full-Time Employee Birthdays

July 2 through 15

Daniel Breuer	4th
Tim Brewer	5th
Libbie Reeves	5th
Jane Pardue	7th
Lisa Cooper	9th
Barbara Dobbins	9th

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publication dates for
summer 2009:

- July 15
- July 29
- August 12

Last Day to Receive 100% Refund for
Second 4-week Session

July 2

Independence Day Holiday
COLLEGE CLOSED

July 3

Classes Begin for Second 4-week
Session

July 6

Last Day to Withdraw from 10-week
Session to Ensure a Grade of "W"

July 6

Last Day to Withdraw from 8-week
Session to Ensure a Grade of "W"

July 6

Drop/Add for Second 4-week Session

July 6 & 7

Last Day to Receive 75% Refund for
Second 4-week Session

July 7

Last Day to Withdraw from Second
4-week Session to Ensure a Grade of
"W"

July 22

Classes End for 8-week Session

July 27

Classes End for 10-week and Second
4-week Sessions

July 31

available to DE math students. **Faculty:** please share this information with your students. Thank you. —Submitted by Roxanne Newton (07.01.09)

Did You Know?

FINANCIAL SERVICES— BUDGET

Budget managers have access to detailed budget information for all budgets under their supervision through WebAdvisor. For help with WebAdvisor logins, contact the IT Department. For help with the budget information that can be viewed through WebAdvisor, contact extension 3212 or 4324.—Submitted by Shirley Lambert (07.01.09)



From the President's Desk
This week's "Desk" is written by Richard Lefevre, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Attitude, according to Webster's New World Dictionary, is "a manner of acting, feeling or thinking that shows one's disposition, opinion or mental set." It is how one perceives the world around them. A glass can either be seen as half empty or half full. World and national events that have taken place during the last eighteen months could certainly provide plenty of reasons to see our glass as half empty. We are all bombarded with negative news. Gasoline prices and unemployment are up while the stock and housing markets are down. The nation and state are facing the most severe financial crisis since the Great Depression. I am sure there are days when many of us do not look forward to reading the news or turning on our television sets due to the reporting of so many negative events. With all that in mind, it would likely do us all good to ponder the many positive things that we are blessed with each day. We have friends and family who care for us while others in the world do not. We are able to come to work every day while many of our fellow citizens have lost their jobs. We are able to provide shelter, food and clothing for ourselves or loved ones while many of our neighbors view those items as only an elusive dream. Many of us will even take a vacation this year while others pray that they will have enough funds to put food on the table. Beyond all that, we can all be thankful that, through our employment with MCC, we have a unique opportunity to help make a better day or even a better life for someone else. Many of our fellow citizens have recently lost their jobs and may be feeling depressed and uncertain about what lies ahead. A number of these people will be turning to this college for help in starting over. They will be counting on us to not only offer a quality education, but also to provide assistance and encouragement. It is during that process that a friendly smile and a positive attitude could make all the difference in the world. In the popular Making a Difference segment on the NBC evening news, anchor Brian Williams gives attention to individuals around the country who have gone out of their way to make life better for folks in their community. By working at Mitchell Community College, we are given that opportunity every day. If we all begin each day with a smile and positive attitude, we, too, will be making a difference and viewing our glass as half full.

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Watermelon Party

A watermelon party for faculty and staff was held on Wednesday, June 24, at 2:30 p.m. on the Circle. A friend of the College bought the melons for us and said that good memories of such events when Viola Parker was here brought it to mind. We appreciate the gift of the melons and are grateful for this gesture of support for the College and for all of us who work here during these challenging times. —Submitted by Douglas Eason (07.01.09) SEE PHOTOS ONLINE AT www.mitchellcc.edu/columns/watermelon09.htm



Highlights from the MCC Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday, June 24, 2009

- Recognized Dr. Frank P. Fields for his 29 years of service to the College and presented him with the honor of being named the College's first Emeritus Trustee. Dr. Fields is retiring from the Board of Trustees.
 - Heard that the Student Services Building is on schedule for completion in July.
 - Received the enrollment report for Summer Semester 2009. The College has experienced a 22.9% growth over last summer.
 - Received information on Fall registration and the projected enrollment growth.
 - Approved the 2009-2010 meeting dates for the Board of Trustees.
 - Elected the following officers for 2009-2010: Dr. Ralph Bentley, chair; Joe Troutman, vice chair; and Sarah Davis, secretary.
 - Heard that 275 students participated in the CNA graduation held on June 23, 2009.
- Submitted by Sarah Davis, Secretary, MCC Board of Trustees (07.01.09)