

# **Facilities Management**

MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

#### Special points of interest:

- Physical Plant Director, Doug Ford Visits the Richard M. Guon Child Care Center and Demonstrates Fun Skills.
- Engineering Services
   Director, Blaine Grindle leads student tour.
- MCC Sewer Project.
- Kudos to Asst. V.P. of Facilities, Paul Wurster
- Our Never-Ending Winter of 2015!
- New Employees



We encourage you to use the Maintenance Request Form. http://www.monroecc.edu/depts/facilities/form.htm

This will help us track your need (s), while measuring our internal goal of responsive, timely, and reliable customer service.

We value your feedback!
Filling out the work order
survey will also help us know
how we are performing.
Thank you for helping us be
your trusted Facilities Team.

Paul Wurster
Assistant Vice President,
Facilities

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# Pacilities

A few months ago the MCC Facilities department workers had to replace a toilet in the Pre-C classroom. This ignited the Pre-C children's interest in tools and fixing things. A group of children in the classroom made tools out of Legos and other manipulatives. They made tool belts to hold their tools and proceeded to work on many "repair jobs" in the classroom. On Friday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, **Doug Ford**, Director of Facilities

Physical Plant visited the Pre-C classroom with his tool box! He demonstrated the tools and gave the children opportunities to fasten screws into wood, to view how pliers and wrenches work and to "measure the classroom." The children were so intent with everything Doug had to say and show them. The daycare looks forward

"Blaine Grindle (Director of Engineering Services) goes out of his way for the students at MCC," says Sarah Tallarico, Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Biology Department. "I first contacted him during the Fall Semester 2010, and he has been gracious enough to be a guest speaker in Biology I 16 (Introduction to Environmental Science) ever since!



He has developed slides and materials for Bio 116 designed to teach non-science majors the basics of energy production. He is an engaging speaker and talented engineer, but also really easy to talk to and work with. The students really feel comfortable asking questions about the Cogen facility, sustainability at MCC, and anything energy-related! Blaine incorporated material from the Bio 116 syllabus by re-reinforcing concepts regarding air pollution, acid rain, and natural gas drilling - all of which are topics covered in Bio 116. It's important for the students to learn first-hand (i.e., to see a real-world example) how electricity is produced.

I am extremely grateful that Blaine takes time out of his busy schedule to teach MCC students about the Cogen plant. (see pic.) He's an amazing resource, and I hope that other classes at MCC will continue reach out to him."



### **MCC Sewer project Phase 4**

It has been a LONG COLD winter but the forecast is looking better.

You may have noticed the construction work by the Town of Brighton along the MCC Campus Road over the last couple years. In 2008 the Town of Brighton developed a gravity sewer route that would eliminate the need for two problematic Town pump stations, the Metro Park and Rustic Village Pump Stations. Both pump stations were installed in the mid 60's and are in need of rehabilitation. The route extended along the ring road of the Monroe Community College Campus as shown in Figure 1. Once completed, this project will provide sewer service for the Brighton-Henrietta Town line Rd properties that are on septic systems and the south side of the MCC campus. It will also reduce the Town's energy use and indirectly lessen the Town's greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, the project will eliminate operation and maintenance costs associated with the existing pump stations, need for expensive rehabilitation and eliminate the chance of sewage backing up due to pump failures.

The Town of Brighton developed design drawings in 2011 and began construction using Town Forces in 2012. The construction of the project will be completed in four phases. Phases I through 3 are complete and the Town plans on initiating the construction of the fourth and final phase between entrances A and C. Construction of the next phase of MCC Sanitary Sewer (Phase 4) has already been started and will require approximately 2 I/2 months and consist of installing approximately. I700' of gravity sewer along the front of MCC campus. If all goes as planned and the weather cooperates we should be completed and restored by the end of May 2015.



We will keep the disruption of traffic to a minimum, but please stay alert for workers, trucks and flagmen during this final phase of the project. The Town of Brighton has worked closely with MCC to coordinate all phases of the project construction and appreciates the support and patience of the College students and staff during the last 3 years. If you have any questions please contact the Town of Brighton at 784-5280, Mike Guyon or Steve Zimmer.





Congratulations to **Paul Wurster**, Assistant Vice President for Facilities on being appointed by president of NYAPPA as a new re-

gional Alternate Director. This position is for a term of two years. While assuming the same duties as the Director, Paul will assist chapter officers with the authority of the chapter through meetings and conference calls in addition to serving as chapter liaison to the membership from associated regions.

Paul will participate in the Chapter Board meetings and the NYAPPA & SUNY/PPAA biannual conferences, which occur in the winter and summer of each year. Recognition is always nice, especially coming from an esteemed organization such as APPA.

# rounds Update

#### A Winter to Remembrrrrrrr

MCC Facilities Grounds Department received many compliments in recognition of their efforts this past winter and especially the past month of February. Along with the snow piling up to incredible amounts, Rochester

broke records last month for being the coldest month on record since 1934. This February gave Rochester it's official average temperature of 12.2 degrees. The <u>coldest</u> month in the official National Weather Service record book, dating all the way back to 1884-85. It

took 1,100 (50 lb.) bags of sidewalk salt and 320 tons of bulk roadway salt to keep our roadways and sidewalks safe this winter. The MCC Facilities Ground Crew performed exemplary, while collectively working night and day on snow removal, ice thawing and sidewalk plowing. The crew's efforts have not gone unnoticed as shown on the right, by the lovely signed thank you card sent from Building 5's English and Philosophy Department.



# Welcome New Employees

Mike Sofia – hired 2/26/15 as Assistant Engineer

### Steven Bogart -

hired 1/27/15 as Assistant HVAC Service Engineer

## **Anthony Valentine** –

hired 3/16/15 as Maintenance Mech. II



Meet Chris Honch, our Office Technology intern who is soon to be completing her program this fall. We welcome Chris as part of our commitment to the College's Strategic Plan by helping her reach her individual academic goal.