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HOUSATONIC  
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*Supporting Dreams  
Building Futures...*

ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006

# Message

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Photo by Harold Shapiro



This past year was a year of great progress for the Foundation – progress that would not have been possible without the extraordinary support, involvement and commitment provided by the Foundation’s Board of Directors. Their efforts, coupled with those of our dedicated staff, have resulted in a significant strengthening of the Foundation’s infrastructure, which has enabled us to raise our performance to a new level of professional operation.

By building on the technological advancements made last year, the Foundation not only increased its capacity to communicate more efficiently with students as to the scholarships that are available, but also has streamlined the application process and administered those scholarships in a markedly more effective manner. This process resulted in a 25% increase in tuition scholarships being awarded this past year.

We also dramatically increased our grant writing capacity – a move which resulted in our securing an increase in foundation grant funding of more than 100% this past year.

The Foundation also took steps to further broaden our fundraising program by hosting two major events: the second annual International Holiday Wine Tasting and a new event - the Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show. These events were successful in raising additional scholarship dollars and in generating increased community awareness of the Foundation, its work and its goals.

But clearly the most important move the Foundation made this past year was to undertake a survey and begin planning the launch of our first Major Gifts Campaign - the logical successor to our Annual Corporate Appeal. Under the direction of Board Member Paul Antinozzi, who has agreed to chair the Campaign, the Board and Foundation will work closely with the Clements Group, L.C. – highly regarded specialists with proven expertise in assisting community colleges in planning and facilitating campaigns of this magnitude. Throughout the year, we will continue to update you as this landmark campaign takes its final form.

Great strides have been made this past year, and we look forward to continued progress in the year ahead. With HCC celebrating its 40th year as an independent academic institution, and as the long awaited expansion of the College begins, we recognize that the 2006-07 academic year holds great promise for us all.

Barbara P. Johnson

# Tribute

## DR. JANIS M. HADLEY

After ten years of dedicated service to Housatonic Community College and to the Greater Bridgeport community, Dr. Janis Hadley retired from her position as President of HCC on September 1, 2006.

Well liked and highly respected throughout the area, Dr. Hadley is credited with a long list of accomplishments that span the years.

It was Dr. Hadley who worked to motivate and energize faculty and staff for HCC's move in 1997 to its permanent home at 900 Lafayette Boulevard, thus setting the stage for the "New Housatonic." Over the years, her ongoing efforts to market the College have resulted in dramatically increased enrollment, and generated a dynamic student base and an academic/cultural environment that has

greatly benefited HCC and downtown Bridgeport alike.

During her tenure, Dr. Hadley has worked tirelessly to shape a positive image for the College around community responsiveness, collaboration, partnerships and economic development. Her participation at national meetings for AACC; ACT, Presidents' Round Table and the National Council on Black American Affairs has also given the College exposure to a national audience, thus increasing the opportunities for recognition on the national level. Her efforts in this area have not gone unrewarded – last spring, HCC was selected as one of only thirty community colleges in the country to receive the prestigious "Achieving the Dream" grant – an initiative of national significance that positions HCC to receive other grants of similar stature and size.



*Dr. Janis M. Hadley  
President of HCC 1996 – 2006*

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*Dr. Hadley has been a frequent volunteer at HCC's Early Childhood Laboratory School. She is shown here with students and educational assistant Emerita Lopez.*

Dr. Hadley has stated, however, that her greatest accomplishment has been helping to engender strong and positive interaction between HCC students and faculty – seeing faculty cultivate student potential in the classroom or working with staff as they implement programs that help students learn to be better learners and better people, and ultimately watching HCC students graduate and go on to live their individual success stories.

In an effort to honor Dr. Hadley, College and community celebrations were held on September 12, at which members of the HCC faculty, administration and staff joined with business and community leaders from the Greater Bridgeport region to thank her for the contributions she has made and to wish her success in her new endeavors. While a search for Dr. Hadley's successor is underway, Anita Gliniecki, Dean of Academics, has agreed to take on the role of Acting President.



*Dr. Hadley is shown here with former HCC students & graduates (left to right) Gregg Dancho, Director – Beardsley Zoo; Dr. Hadley, Honorable Eddie Rodriguez, Jr., Superior Court Judge; Susan Sharp, Artist; and Diane Nunn, Managing Director of Operations, Southern CT Gas Company.*

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# Mission WHO WE ARE

*The Housatonic Community College Foundation provides financial assistance to the College and its students beyond the fundamentals provided by the State of Connecticut, and assists the College in becoming a unique educational resource for its students and the community. The Foundation also serves as a vehicle generating funding for student scholarships, student emergencies, child care costs for parents enrolled, program enhancements and support of the Housatonic Museum of Art.*

The Housatonic Community College Foundation is a unique and vital resource that works to support the mission of Housatonic Community College. The Foundation was established in 1990 when a dedicated group of citizens from the region joined together to raise funds to assist local students. Today, the Foundation works in partnership with the College to bring a broad range of financial assistance to men and women from the Greater Bridgeport area who have the desire to learn and the determination to build a better life.

The Foundation also provides necessary funding for strategic initiatives and capital improvements that enhance HCC's ability to thrive as a quality academic institution, and serves to strengthen and expand community support for the educational, cultural and community programs the College offers.

During the academic year 2005-06, the Foundation staff and volunteers raised \$484,562 through grants, contributions, corporate sponsors and special events. The dollars raised helped to support scholarships, tuition assistance, tutoring, childcare and textbooks for students, and provided supplemental support to the College to meet needs including staff development and educational resources not covered by state funding.

## HCC Foundation Unveils New Logo

We are pleased to present the Foundation's new logo – a contemporary interpretation of the traditional column that has been our trademark for many years. This new logo is intended to reflect both our ongoing commitment to the supportive role of the Foundation and the progressive approach we take in addressing the evolving needs of the students and College we serve.



# Highlights OF THE YEAR

## International Holiday Wine Tasting

The second annual International Holiday Wine Tasting was held in the College Atrium on November 18 and proved to be an even greater success than last year's event, drawing enthusiastic supporters from both the College and the community.

Attendees sampled an impressive array of food donated by twenty area restaurants, and sipped a variety of wines that were provided by local distributors and coordinated by New England Beverage Company. The festivities included a silent auction and musical entertainment by HCC's Hernan Yepes and German Bermudez, with Assistant Professor Geoffrey Sheehan acting as emcee.

The event's success was due in large part to the support of the Foundation Board and the extraordinary effort put forth by Director Member Marianne Laska, who chaired the event for the second year in a row. The third annual International Holiday Wine Tasting is scheduled for November 17, 2006.



*Chair Marianne Laska is shown with her husband Robert at the 2005 event.*

Photo by Harold Shapiro

The Foundation Board wishes to thank the following sponsors of the International Holiday Wine Tasting:

Presenting Sponsor: Pitney Bowes

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Media Sponsor: The Connecticut Post



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## Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show

The Inn at Longshore in Westport was the site for the first Spring Luncheon and Fashion show. Held on April 2, the event featured women's fashions by Posh of Fairfield and Talbots of Westport, all modeled by Housatonic students, staff, department chairs and administrators including Academic Dean Anita Gliniecki and HCC President Dr. Janis Hadley. The models were escorted by Humanities Department Chair Peter Ulisse and Acting Dean of Students Hernan Yepes. Diane Farrell, former First Selectwoman of Westport, served as Mistress of Ceremonies while the Wayne Hiller Jazz Trio provided musical entertainment.

*Peter Ulisse, Chairman of the Humanities Department escorts LouAnn Doebrer, HCC Personnel Aide and Alumna at the 2006 Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show.*

# Highlights OF THE YEAR

Foundation Board Member Marianne Laska chaired this event as well, and graciously attributed the event's success to the generosity of the sponsors and contributors, and to the commitment of time and effort put forth by the models and their escorts.

Special thanks go to the supporters of the Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show, including:

Posh of Fairfield  
Talbots of Westport  
Ricci's Salon/Spa/Academy  
Camillo's Tuxedo Specialist of Norwalk  
Bigelow Tea  
The Connecticut Post

Many area businesses who contributed to the gift bags and raffle prizes.

## Industrial Technology Program

In Connecticut and at a national level, the need for trained workers in manufacturing is critical in order to maintain a viable economic base. In recognition of that need and with the knowledge that industrial technology is a growing field with tremendous opportunity for career advancement, HCC established the Industrial Technology Program. This program provides students with both general education core and industry specific courses that will enable them to enter industry upon graduation, and responds directly to requests from local manufacturers for programs to train new employees and to further train current employees for advancement within their industries.

The program also offers students the option of selecting higher level science and mathematics courses designed to complete the majority of a pre-engineering curriculum, providing the basis for transfer to a four-year academic institution.

Sikorsky Aircraft, a Stratford-based world leader in the design and manufacture of advanced helicopters, has awarded a grant of \$20,000 to supplement the implementation of this important new program.

## The Middle College Pilot Program

Just over a year ago, Housatonic Community College faculty and staff developed the Middle College Pilot Program in partnership with Bridgeport's Warren G. Harding and Bassick High Schools. This pilot program was initiated to address the serious problems faced by students who enter the College with academic deficiencies that seriously limit and often prevent their achievement in the classroom and ultimately, their successful entry into the workforce. The Middle College Pilot Program was structured to help remedy these problems by providing those students with a significantly greater level of college preparedness.



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*Sikorsky's Paula Mavricz, Manager, Major Component Assembly presents a check for \$20,000 for the Industrial Technology Program to HCC's Academic Dean Anita Gliniecki. Joining them is HCC's Academic Coordinator William Griffin and Director of Institutional Advancement Maureen Dowdle.*

# Highlights OF THE YEAR

Last fall, the program brought forty high school seniors to Housatonic Community College where HCC faculty teamed with teachers from both high schools to teach select courses for high school and college credit. Emphasis was placed on improving the students' basic skill levels – particularly in the areas of language arts and mathematics, while helping them prepare them for higher level courses. Additional efforts were made to increase the students' motivation to continue their educations at four-year institutions.

The first year of the program was considered a success, not only because of the progress made by the students involved, but also because the process itself provided the College with a significantly greater understanding both of the mindset of the incoming students and the severity of the impediments they face. That knowledge has helped HCC educators tailor the program to better meet the students' current and anticipated needs. HCC will be expanding the program from forty to sixty students for the fall of 2006.

The first year program was funded through Housatonic Community College and Bassick and Warren G. Harding High Schools and through nearly \$60,000 in multiple grants from the Charter Oak Challenge Foundation, The Fairfield County Community Foundation, the Bridgeport Priority School District, GEAR UP (Bridgeport), GEAR UP (State of Connecticut), the Ralphola Taylor Center (YMCA) and a number of individual donors. The Xerox Foundation and The United Illuminating Company have already awarded funds in support of the 2006-07 program.

## Major Gifts Campaign

Early in 2005, the Foundation Board launched its first Corporate Appeal, with the goal of demonstrating to the business community the significant impact HCC and its highly-skilled graduates have and will continue to have on the regional economy. Due in large measure to the efforts of the Board and in particular, the dedication of Director Paul Antinozzi who chaired the campaign, the appeal brought in a number of existing and new donor contributions.

This past spring, the Board announced its plan to introduce a Major Gifts Campaign – which represents the logical evolution of the Corporate Appeal. Paul Antinozzi, who again has agreed to serve as Campaign Chair, will be working closely with other Directors in conjunction with the Clements Group, L.C. – highly regarded specialists with proven expertise in assisting community colleges in analyzing and quantifying their needs, analyzing their funding sources and in developing strategies and processes to make their visions become realities.

The Major Gifts Campaign is being initiated to meet specific objectives, which include the following:

- a student success component that will provide for academic support services and increased use of instructional technology,
- a scholarship initiative to increase the dollars available to support educational goals,
- enhancements to the Middle College Pilot Program and the initiation of a new high school Bridges Program,



Photo by Harold Shapiro

*Walter Brackett, a teacher from Bridgeport's Bassick High School works with high school student, Abdoul Agrignan a participant in HCC's Middle College Pilot Program.*

# Highlights OF THE YEAR

- a Museum component that will support special exhibits and conservation efforts,
- the development of a fund to finance emerging opportunities that will allow the College to implement new programs to enhance students' success.

In addition to those goals, the Board is confident that the campaign will serve to open doors to the business and civic community and become a forum to show how the mutual success of the College and that of the community is inter-dependent.

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*Academic Dean Anita Gliniecki is shown at the 2005 Awards Night with recipients of the Academic Dean's Award (The Flint Prize) Christina Ouellette, Robyn Dilg and Adam Kindilien.*

## Awards Night

Students, faculty, staff, family and friends attended the thirty-ninth annual Awards Night on May 30, 2006. This event was held prior to graduation to recognize outstanding students and the generous individuals, groups and organizations that support them. General Electric and the G.E. Elfun Society sponsored the event for the eighteenth consecutive year.

Twenty-seven Housatonic Foundation Scholars who received their associate's degrees this year were honored both for their academic achievements and for having been the recipients of scholarships or financial awards during their educations at HCC.

Other financial awards provided by the HCC Foundation included:

- The Beverly G. Anderson Memorial Award
- The Burt Chernow Scholarship
- The Jeanne DuBois Scholarship
- The Ralph Fabrizio Scholarship
- The Flint Prize (awarded to the recipient(s) of the Academic Dean's Award)
- The Robert Gerard Naples Award
- The Joyce Gerber Early Childhood Education Endowed Scholarship
- The HCC Foundation Dale Ward Endowed Scholarship Award
- The Jane Mahoney Memorial Award
- The Marshall Rachleff Scholarship
- The Frank J. Scallon Foundation Merit Award and the Frank J. Scallon Foundation Scholarships
- The Swain Award



*Professor Ronald Abbe presented the Burt Chernow Scholarship award to David Figueroa.*

Photo by Harold Shapiro



# Programs

## HOUSATONIC MUSEUM OF ART

The Housatonic Museum of Art serves as guardian to one of the most significant art collections of any two-year college in New England. The permanent collection is valued at over \$11 million dollars and includes works by master artists such as Rodin, Picasso, Matisse, Miro and Chagall.

Under the direction of Robbin Zella, who has been instrumental in increasing the Museum's visibility through highly attended exhibitions and special events, the Museum continues to be recognized as a major cultural resource for the Greater Bridgeport area.

One of the Museum's most highly lauded community programs is its Peer Docent Program, which partners the Museum with Bridgeport's Luis Munoz Marin Middle School and this past year, with Warren G. Harding High School as well. This popular after-school program introduces students to art and art history by teaching them how to look at art critically, and uses a variety of techniques to facilitate discussions about the meaning of art. These student docents subsequently offer tours to their peers, helping them to appreciate and evaluate art from an informed perspective. Not only does this program help to instill an appreciation for art in the students, but it equips them with visual and analytical skills that will assist them in all areas of study throughout their lifetimes.

Funding for this program has come from a number of sources. For the past six years, the Housatonic Museum of Art received funding from the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism: this past year the Museum received an award of \$3,609. The Greater Bridgeport Area Foundation awarded \$10,000 for the program, and the Werth Family Foundation made an award of \$30,000 in support of the Peer Docent Program and the Museum's *Illustrating Connecticut: People, Places, and Things* project catalog. (see Upcoming Exhibitions)



Photo by Harold Shapiro

*Students from Harding High School visited the Yale Center for British Art in New Haven as part of the HMA's Peer Docent Program.*

### Housatonic Museum of Art Upcoming Exhibitions

September 2006/Nov 2006 *Standing on One Foot*

Curated by Barbara O'Brien, Independent curator and Editor of Art New England.

Nov/Dec.2006/Jan 2007 *Matthias Alfen*

Sculptural installation by German sculptor Matthias Alfen featuring new sculptures recently-completed at the Johnson Atelier in New Jersey. Alfen's Janus figures are an innovation in figural art predicated on the advances made by Boccioni. His work creates a meta-narrative that explores the historical past and his apocalyptic vision of the future.

February/March 2007 *Recent Acquisitions/Highlights from the Collection*

New works and important works from the Museum's permanent collection.

September/October 2007 *Illustrating Connecticut*

Illustrators Show curated by Bob Kessel. This will be three exhibitions scheduled over a three-year period in partnership with the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism. It will be designed to showcase commissioned illustrations featuring famous people and places in Connecticut and is planned specifically to promote tourism in the state.

# Programs

## FOUNDATION GRANTS

The vast majority of HCC's students require some level of financial assistance during their studies. In an effort to meet their needs and the expanding needs of the College, the Foundation continues to actively pursue grants from private and public foundations. This past year, the Foundation succeeded in securing funding totaling \$258,927 – an increase of more than 100% over last year.

### Major Grants

The Foundation received a planning grant of \$50,000 funded through the Nellie Mae Educational Foundation and the Lumina Foundation for Education in connection with "Achieving the Dream" – a grant initiative of national significance designed to address retention issues and increase the success rates of students at community colleges. HCC is one of only thirty community colleges nationally to receive this prestigious grant.



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*Barbara Johnson, HCC Foundation President and Foundation Director Marianne Laska accepted \$10,000 Wachovia Foundation scholarship check from Donald Rotzien, Executive Vice President and Donna Milne, Vice President from Wachovia. Pictured at far right is HCC's Dr. Janis M. Hadley.*

Foreseeing the need for a qualified workforce, Sikorsky Aircraft awarded a grant of \$20,000 to supplement the implementation of HCC's new Industrial Technology Program.

The Inner City Foundation for Charity and Education awarded \$20,000 for scholarships for students in need.

The Bridgeport Public Education Fund has pledged \$15,000 to provide transportation and book subsidies to students in need during the 2006-07 academic year.

Near & Far Aid Association, a continued supporter of the Foundation, awarded a \$10,000 grant for scholarship support for the 2006-07 academic year.

For the second year in a row, The Wachovia Foundation awarded \$10,000, which will be applied again to funding summer scholarships. Many students find their financial aid is depleted by the end of the academic year, and as a result, requests for scholarships traditionally increase during the summer session.

### Greater Bridgeport Area Foundation

Many students entering HCC are not adequately prepared to take college level courses and must begin with developmental courses in core subjects. To prevent these students from dropping out before completing their degree certificate programs, Housatonic's Academic Support Center provides them with access to group and individual tutoring – free of charge, through the Student Peer Tutoring Program. This program is essential to their success.

The Foundation was pleased to receive a second year grant of \$10,000 from the Bridgeport Area Foundation to help offset the cost of tutor's fees during the 2005-06 academic year.

### The Westport Young Women's League

The Westport Young Women's League continues to be a strong supporter of the HCC Foundation and our students. The organization has pledged \$3,250 for the Early Childhood Laboratory School, which will help to fund field trips and cover childcare costs. This is the tenth year that the Young Women's League has supported the Foundation.

# Programs

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

**A**lthough tuition at HCC continues to be quite reasonable in today's educational environment, the cost is sometimes still too much to pay for a young person desiring a solid education and a chance at success. Scholarships make a huge difference in the lives of many of our hard-working, deserving students. In fact, scholarships can often determine whether or not a student can even enroll in college, or can complete his or her course work and graduate. Most HCC scholarship recipients are excellent students whose solid academic performances enable them to graduate HCC and continue their educations at prestigious colleges and universities including Yale, NYU, Johns Hopkins, Columbia, Smith, Wesleyan, Fairfield, and UConn, to name a few.

Scholarships from the HCC Foundation, regional foundations, organizations and generous individuals this past year included the following:

**Housatonic Community College Foundation** awards a number of scholarships to students who demonstrate academic achievement, service to the community and/or the College and have financial need. Any student in good standing who has completed at least nine credits is eligible to apply.

**Barden Foundation Scholarship** is awarded to two students continuing their educations in the field of science, including computer science.

**Burt Chernow Scholarship** is awarded to a graduating senior who demonstrates academic achievement and financial need, and plans to major in art or art education at a four-year institution.

**Connecticut Women's Forum Endowed Scholarship Fund** is made possible by this group of professional women from throughout the state and is awarded to women students with financial need who are enrolled in any two-year degree program at HCC. This year, the Connecticut Women's Forum also presented scholarship awards to two additional young women in need.

**Dale Ward Endowed Scholarship Fund** is awarded to the highest-ranking graduating student who plans to continue his or her education. This scholarship is a complement to the HCC Senate Scholarship awarded by the College in honor of Professor Emeritus Dale Ward.

**Daphne Seybolt Culpeper Memorial Foundation Scholarship** is awarded to a HCC student continuing his or her education in the field of Allied Health.

**David Susskind Memorial Scholarship** is awarded to a graduating senior in the behavioral sciences who plans to pursue a Bachelor's degree in political science, history or public administration. This scholarship, in memory of the renowned broadcast journalist, was established by his daughter, Samantha Mannion, an Assistant Professor at the College.

**Doane Endowed Scholarship** is a fund established by Elizabeth (Betsey) Doane, a retired Math professor at Housatonic Community College, in memory of her late husband, Paul Doane, a computer lab assistant at HCC. It is presented to a student continuing in computer science, mathematics or engineering.

**The Domenico Simone Fund** was established by Domenico Simone, President of Simone's Inc. and a HCC graduate. The scholarship funds tuition costs for two semesters for two students enrolled in business, math or science programs who demonstrate academic achievement and financial need.



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### Scholarships Address the Critical Need for Nurses

In addressing the growing concern over the continuing shortage of nurses, the Foundation has awarded scholarships to three HCC graduates pursuing degrees in the field of nursing.

The scholarships included the Nursing Supplemental Assistance Award, the Salvatore Curiale Scholarship, and a new tuition scholarship to be awarded for the first time to a student who is starting nursing school in the fall of 2006. This new scholarship was established by an anonymous donor in recognition of the excellent level of nursing care his late wife received during her hospitalization.

*Above: - Nursing Scholarship award winners Eleni Tucker, Agathe Mezile and Nyla Petrabai.*

# Programs

## SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

**The Elizabeth Raymond Ambler Trust Endowed Scholarship** is awarded to a Housatonic student in a standard academic program who has demonstrated scholastic performance and diligence, a willingness to help others and who has shown financial need.

**Elizabeth Pfriem Endowed Scholarship Fund** is awarded to a Housatonic Foundation scholar who has completed nine or more credits at the College with a GPA of 3.0 or above, and who demonstrates financial need.

**The Flint Prize** is awarded to the graduating student who achieved the highest academic average while attending Housatonic Community College and qualified for the Academic Dean's Award.

**Frank J. Scallon Foundation Scholarship** goes to graduating students pursuing educations in psychology or medicine at a four-year institution in Connecticut.

**The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation Scholarship** is given to a current student in need who demonstrates success in academics and in extra-curricular activities. The student must also be employed, with preference given to employees of Subway Restaurants.

**The George Endowed Scholarship Fund** awards a graduating student in the computer science degree program who demonstrates academic achievement.

**The Joyce Gerber Early Childhood Education Endowed Scholarship** provides a financial award to a graduating student in early childhood education with the highest GPA who plans to continue his or her education at a four-year institution. This scholarship was established in recognition of Joyce Gerber, a retired HCC Professor of Early Childhood Education.

**Kim Thibodeau Chiaraluce Endowed Scholarship Fund** provides a financial award to a young woman attending the College on either a full or part-time basis, who demonstrates academic achievement and financial need. The DeMattia family established this fund to honor the memory of a dear friend.

**The Law Firms for a Greater Bridgeport Scholarship**, funded by Koskoff, Koskoff & Bieder, P.C. covers tuition and fees for an HCC student in need.

**The Luiz Claudio dos Santos Memorial Scholarship** is a tuition scholarship awarded on an annual basis to a foreign student who maintains a GPA of 2.5 or above and demonstrates financial need. The scholarship is in memory of Luiz Claudio dos Santos, the brother of HCC graduate Roberto dos Santos.

**Marguerite Sullivan Dunigan Endowed Scholarship Fund** provides financial assistance to a student currently enrolled at HCC and who is a single mother.

**President Edward J. Liston Endowed Scholarship Fund** is awarded to a student enrolled in a two-year program who participates in extra-curricular activities and demonstrates academic achievement and financial need.

**Robert Gerard Naples Scholarship Award** is bestowed upon a graduating student in the math/science program who has demonstrated excellence in academics and who plans to go on to complete the requirements for a Bachelor's Degree.

**Salvatore Curiale Scholarship** was established in memory of Salvatore Curiale, the former Director of Admissions for the College. It is presented to a current HCC student continuing his or her education at Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing.

**The Southern Connecticut Gas Company Community Scholarship** is awarded to a student who has completed one year at the College. Preference is given to a student with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and has demonstrated financial need.

**The Weller Collegiate Scholarship** is awarded to an incoming freshman with financial need from the towns of Monroe, Newtown, Easton, Shelton, or Trumbull. This scholarship was established in honor of Barton L. Weller, founder and trustee of the Weller Foundation.

**The William Pitt Foundation Scholarship** is awarded to Housatonic Community College full-time students taking 12 or more credits, who will graduate within two years of receiving the award. This award provides full tuition and fees.

# Future

## LOOKING AHEAD

This year, Housatonic Community College will celebrate its 40th anniversary as an independent academic institution. That milestone will be marked by special events and activities designed to highlight where we've been, and most importantly, where we're headed in the future.

In retrospect, we've come a long way since 1966, when HCC opened in Stratford as a branch of Norwalk Community College. Years later the College moved to Bridgeport, but it was not until 1997 that HCC settled in to its permanent address at 900 Lafayette Boulevard. And now the time has come for an even more significant chapter in HCC's history to unfold.

This fall, we expect to break ground on a campus expansion that will almost double the size of the College. The new structure will be the result of a complete rehab of the former Sears building and the construction of an additional 20,000 square feet of new space. This \$55 million dollar project will add more than 170,000 gross square feet to the campus, and will enable HCC to accommodate approximately 5,500 students, compared to the College's previous high of 4,700. The project is expected to be completed in the fall of 2008.

The year ahead will also be an important year for the Foundation, as we roll out the Major Gifts Campaign, and continue to facilitate all facets of our fundraising efforts. We plan to build on the success of our annual International Holiday Wine Tasting and other fundraisers that increase the Foundation's visibility and heighten awareness of the vital role the Foundation plays at the College and within the Greater Bridgeport community.

We also look forward to working in close cooperation with the HCC's newly formed Alumni Association. We believe that organization will not only give alumni the opportunity to benefit from active involvement at the College and by networking with fellow graduates, but also will give the Foundation the opportunity to position alumni as ambassadors in the community as living proof that Housatonic Community College provides an excellent foundation for educational and career growth.

Last year at this time, we announced that HCC had been selected as one of only thirty community colleges nationally to participate in "Achieving the Dream" – a grant initiative of national significance designed to address retention issues and increase the success rates of students at community colleges. Funded through the Nellie Mae Education Foundation and the Lumina Foundation for Education, the grant provided HCC with an initial \$50,000 for planning and promised the potential for an additional \$400,000 to be used over the next four years to implement the plan.

We are very gratified to announce that HCC has received the implementation grant, and for the next four academic years, the College has established three priorities: increased alignment with area high schools to determine how to close the gap between high school preparation and college expectations; increased success in math courses; and improved retention of students semester to semester and persistence fall to fall.

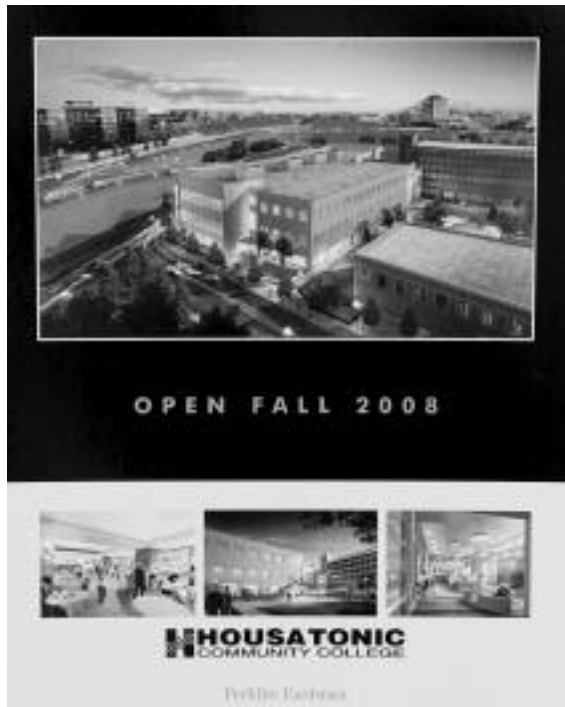


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*Perkins Eastman's illustration of the planned renovations and additions to the college.*

# Thank You

FOR MANY WAYS OF GIVING

Our success in fundraising is the direct result of the generosity of those who made a contribution and the efforts of faculty, staff and volunteers who effectively communicate our mission to the general public.

Giving levels during this fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 include unrestricted donations and individual, corporate, foundation and grant support for scholarships, a wide-range of program enhancements and the Housatonic Museum of Art and in-kind donations to the Foundation's special events.

## **Pillar Level I - \$25,000 and above**

Anonymous  
Anonymous  
American Association of Community Colleges  
Bridgeport Public Schools – GEAR UP Program  
Fairfield County Community Foundation  
The Werth Family Foundation

Edward & Maureen Dowdle  
Frederick A. Deluca Foundation  
GE  
Virginia M. Giuffre / Merrill Lynch  
Mary E. Hoyt / Blum, Shapiro & Co., PC  
Donald Janezic / R.C. Bigelow Inc.  
Jones & Phelps Foundation  
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Robert & Marianne Laska  
David Lupinacci / CT Post  
Milford Automatics Foundation, Inc.  
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People's Bank  
RB Bodine Fund  
S & B Properties  
State of Connecticut – Matching Gifts  
The Ernest Trefz & Joan Trefz Foundation  
Weller Foundation  
Xerox Corporation

## **Pillar Level II - \$10,000 to \$24,999**

Mr. & Mrs. David C. Bigelow  
Charter Oak Challenge Foundation  
Greater Bridgeport Area Foundation  
The Inner City Foundation for Charity & Education  
Carl & Barbara P. Johnson  
Near & Far Aid Association, Inc.  
People's Mutual Holdings Co., In recognition of Dr. Janis M. Hadley's Board Service  
The Wachovia Foundation  
The William H. Pitt Foundation

## **Pillar Level VI - \$500 to \$999**

American Association of University Women  
Paul Antinozzi / Antinozzi Associates, P.C.  
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Catherine Cron  
Tom D'Addario / D'Addario Buick Pontiac GMC/D'Addario Nissan  
Harper's of Fairfield  
Kathryn Hays  
J.P. Morgan Chase Foundation  
Mark Konings & Paige Chernow  
Donald & Diane Nunn  
Anne Finnie Patterson  
William Pisani  
Daniel Prestin  
Heidi Szobota  
Three M Foundation - Matching Gift Program  
The WorkPlace, Inc.

## **Pillar Level III - \$5000 to \$9,999**

D'Addario Family Foundation  
Bridgeport Priority School District  
Pitney Bowes

## **Pillar Level IV - \$2500 to \$4999**

The Barden Foundation, Inc.  
Connecticut Commission on the Arts  
Connecticut Women's Forum  
The United Illuminating Company  
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FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Revenue and Support</b>				
Contributions	\$74,446	\$315,462	\$2,909	\$392,817
Interest and dividends	21,070			21,070
Realized and unrealized gain on investments	32,270			32,270
Fund raising events	38,405			38,405
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>249,952</u>	<u>( 249,952)</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Total revenue and support	<u>416,143</u>	<u>65,510</u>	<u>2,909</u>	<u>484,562</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Scholarships and awards	93,675			93,675
Programs	133,531			133,531
Museum	42,712			42,712
Management and general	64,000			64,000
Fund raising events	24,941			24,941
Other fund raising	<u>19,518</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>19,518</u>
Change in value of charitable gift annuity	5,171	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	5,171
Total Expenses	<u>383,548</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>383,548</u>
Change in net assets	32,595	65,510	2,909	101,014
Net assets, beginning	<u>283,636</u>	<u>46,862</u>	<u>279,189</u>	<u>609,687</u>
Net assets, ending	<u>\$316,231</u>	<u>\$112,372</u>	<u>\$282,098</u>	<u>\$710,701</u>

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