



### **April 2017**

- **Transform the student experience.**
  - Amy Bernabe was named Work-Study Student Employee of the Year.
  - Amy Bernabe and Heidi Gerken were each presented with the 2017 Rising Star Leadership Awards.
  - MCC students competed in the Skills USA state competitions for automotive technology, automotive collision repair, and welding. Eight MCC students competed and returned with one gold and one silver medal. Welding student Jose Paredes will advance to the national competition.
  - Five students were elected winners of this year's "Best of the Best" student art exhibit by the Center for Arts and Community Enrichment program. High School student Toby Uhrig was selected as this year's "Best of Show" award. MCC student Kendall Williams received the "Award of Excellence" in the secondary/post-secondary category; the middle school "Award of Excellence" went to Erik Lebsock; and two "People's Choice" awards were presented to high school students Joey Burgos Treviso and Trystan Bohling.
  - MCC had 18 students participate in this year's Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA) state contest. Seven students qualified for the national competition.
- **Transform our own workforce experience.**
  - Staff member George O'Clair was presented with an Award of Excellence by the Mountain & Plains Adult Education Association for his significant contributions to the advancement of adult education at the state and local level.
- **Create education without barriers through transformational partnerships.**
  - MCC hosted its 1<sup>st</sup> Mathematics and Statistics Awareness poster session as part of Math Awareness Month. Calculus students made presentations and answered questions of those in attendance.
  - The College is putting together a new program to train electric linemen with the support of the City of Fort Morgan. One of those ways is through the expertise of Light & Power Superintendent Doug Linton, and the other is through a \$200 donation of prize money the City got for a recent electric department upgrade project. MCC is also working with Morgan County Rural Electric Association for curriculum set up, and anticipate classes being offered for the fall semester.
- **Redefine our value proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, accountability, resource development, and operational excellence.**

- A new Women in Manufacturing Scholarship is being offered through the MCC Foundation by Cargill. This partnership between Cargill and MCC's Industrial Maintenance Program will provide one female student with a \$1,500 award for two semesters while enrolled in the Industrial Maintenance Program at MCC.
- **Other News**
  - The Center for Arts and Community Enrichment (CACE) and the MCC Creative Writing Club hosted poet Barbara Ford at this month's Open Mic Poetry Night and conducted a poetry workshop.
  - The CACE Gallery of Fine Art is hosting a multi-artist exhibit, "Women of the Western Plains: Farm, Family, and Foothills." One of the artists, Nancy Dee, will also hold a workshop on how to paint a monochrome watercolor vignette.
  - The MCC Jazz Ensemble held their annual Spring Concert.