



Moraine Valley Matters

Alumni and Friends Newsletter

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Foundation awards \$65,000 in new scholarships for fall semester

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the Moraine Valley Foundation awarded an additional \$65,000 in scholarships for fall 2021 and spring 2022 semesters. This amount is above the \$230,000 in scholarships awarded by the Foundation. "Students have been faced with hardships and financial challenges due to the pandemic. The Foundation is an essential support system to ensure more students are able to attend and successfully complete their college education," said Kristy McGreal, CAE, Foundation executive director.

The majority of the scholarship funds are targeted toward students who need extra support because they are not receiving assistance through financial aid, are newly enrolled students to the college, attend Moraine Valley from out of district or are one of our international students.

"These students typically have no assistance at all," said Tom Kantas, Foundation board president. "It is important to the Foundation to step in to provide extra support."

The scholarship application was completed online and included a 300-500 word essay, which is the main key in the selection process. Students were notified that they were selected to receive one of the \$500 awards before the start of fall classes on Aug. 23.

Students may apply for all of the Foundation scholarships at any time throughout the scholarship year which is Feb. 1 to Jan. 31. One application is all that is needed to be considered for all of the current scholarships. The online application is located on the [college's webpage](#).



Help us raise \$40k at Foundation's 40th Annual Golf Outing

The Moraine Valley Community College Foundation will host its FORE-tieth annual golf outing on Wednesday, Sept. 15, at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club in Lemont. Last year, the event sold out and the Foundation was able to raise more than \$32,000. All proceeds from the Golf Outing fund scholarships for our students who are striving to attain their professional and personal educational goals.

Besides raising funds for our students, our Golf Outing is a perfect time to network with corporate executives, business owners, community members and employees of the college.

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Sharing our thanks with our donors and friends as we hit the road

The Moraine Valley Community College Foundation is 'Sharing Our Thanks' with this video made just for you. We hope you enjoy watching it and learn something new. This is our way of saying thank you for your support of the Foundation.

Are you looking to hit the road this summer for a road trip? Rob Faoro, associate professor of the [automotive](#) technology coordinator of Moraine Valley's Mopar CAP Program, is featured in this month's video. [Watch](#) as he provides tips for getting your car ready for the summer months.

Stay tuned for next month's video featuring tips for getting children ready for the new school year. To see our previous monthly videos, please visit our [website](#).

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Halloween 5K Run/Walk - Early Bird Registration Rate Ends Soon

Get Ready! Get Set! Go!

Register by August 31 and save \$5 with early bird pricing. The [Halloween 5k Run/Walk](#) will be held on Saturday, Oct. 30, on the Moraine Valley campus hosted by the Health, Fitness and Recreation Center

(FitRec) and the Moraine Valley Foundation. This chip-timed event is open to all friendly ghosts with proceeds going to scholarships for Moraine Valley students. Race will begin at 9 a.m. with the Kid's Dash start time at approximately 10:15 a.m.

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Now accepting nominations for 2022 Alumni Hall of Fame

The Moraine Valley Community College Alumni Office is now accepting nominations for its 2022 Alumni Hall of Fame. Nominees must have attended Moraine Valley 10 or more years ago and received a degree or certificate or have completed at least 30 hours of credits at the college.

The Hall of Fame recognizes alumni who have made an impact in their professional and personal lives. Winners will be chosen by a committee of alumni and college faculty and staff based on their career success, commitment to education, leadership and volunteerism. They will be invited to the Alumni Hall of Fame Reception in February 2022.

[Nominations can be made](#) by a coworker, former colleague, family member or friend. Individuals may not nominate themselves. Deadline to nominate someone is Sept. 30.

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Fully-vaccinated students to receive one free credit hour

Moraine Valley announced recently it will refund the cost of one in-district credit hour (\$131) for students who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by Oct. 1.

Eligible students will be notified through their Moraine Valley student email. Students eligible for this one-time incentive must be enrolled in a credit-bearing, college-level or developmental education class for the fall 2021 semester. Individuals taking noncredit, adult basic education, English as a second language or dual-credit classes, and employees and their dependents are excluded.

Fully vaccinated students are asked to submit their vaccination card to the college using a secure form, which was provided via email. Students will pay their fall 2021 tuition in full but will be refunded \$131 to their student account before the end of the semester.

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Sharing our thanks as our children return to school

The Moraine Valley Community College Foundation is 'Sharing Our Thanks' with this video made just for you. We hope you enjoy watching it and learn something new. This is our way of saying thank you for your support of the Foundation.

As children return to the classroom this fall, Tanginia Southall, assistant professor for Moraine Valley's Early Childhood Education Program, is featured in this video. [Watch](#) as she provides tips for families to help them get ready for the start of the school year.

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The Fine and Performing Arts Center is back! Live shows scheduled for new season

To quote one of the most iconic lyrics from The Grateful Dead, "What a long, strange trip it's been."

Since early 2020, we have all seen some unbelievable changes in our world - both the larger world and our smaller world at the college's Fine and Performing Arts Center (FPAC). The FPAC announced recently, after 18 months without a live audience, to finally be able to re-open and provide the world-class performing arts experiences audiences have come to expect from them.

There will be a few changes in the new season. First there will not be any printed season brochures as in previous years. Details about all shows, events and performances are available online, including [a digital PDF](#).

The FPAC's subscription series has been replaced with memberships. If you were a subscriber for 2019-2020, you still will have the "early ticket buying" option for this season as promised. The FPAC has also streamlined their ticket pricing and now will include special discounts for veterans and active military personnel.

Here are some highlights of the new season.

[FPAC NEW SEASON](#)



What is your legacy? Say it with a brick in the Moraine Valley Shakespeare Garden

The Moraine Valley campus is fortunate to be home to one of the nation's few Shakespeare Gardens, a mix of flowers and plants associated with the writings of William Shakespeare. The garden celebrates the lasting legacy of William Shakespeare with the transformation of an area on campus into a blooming garden dedicated to the Bard. Just north of the Fine and Performing Arts Center and surrounded by trees, the garden includes a brick-lined pathway that winds through foliage referenced in Shakespeare's poems and plays and marked with signage quoting those works.

Engraved bricks are available for a \$150 donation and can be a lasting message honoring a loved one, the success of a student, favorite quotes, or recognizing a special occasion such as an anniversary or retirement. Bricks purchased now will be engraved and installed in fall 2021. For information, contact the Foundation at foundation@morainevalley.edu or [purchase your brick online](#). All funds benefit the Foundation and Moraine Valley students.

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