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Alumni and Foundation Friends Newsletter

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Moraine Valley Community College President Dr. Pamela J. Haney provides referendum updates to staff and faculty.

Cyclone Updates



Moraine Valley referendum on Nov. 3 ballot to equip high-demand trades programs

The referendum seeks to build, equip, renovate and repair buildings for high-demand career and technical education programs, which have experienced significant enrollment increases over the last five years, leading to capacity limitations and lack of permanent space to allow for continued growth.

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Orland Park Kiwanis Club invests in future Moraine Valley students

The Moraine Valley Foundation received a $14,000 donation from the Orland Park Kiwanis Club to expand scholarship opportunities for students in Career Programs. Benefiting students in programs such as Heating and Air Conditioning, Automotive Technology, Automation and Engineering Technology and Welding, the funds help pay for tuition, fees, books, tools and class supplies.

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Palos Heights Classic Car Show awards scholarship to Automotive Technology student

Proceeds from the annual Palos Heights Classic Car Show went toward a scholarship for a Moraine Valley Automotive Technology student. This year, a $1,000 scholarship was presented to Marek Debrowski. Shown left to right are Moraine Valley Automotive Professor Ira Siegel; Bonnie and Bob Starzyk, event organizers; Marek Debrowski, scholarship recipient; and event committee member, Gary Duran.

Fund a scholarship



Annual Golf Outing - Tee Up For Tomorrow's Leaders

The Moraine Valley Foundation held its annual Golf Outing on Wednesday, Sept. 16, at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club. Through the efforts of Moraine Valley alumni, staff, faculty and local organizations, the Golf Outing raised thousands of dollars to fund student scholarships.

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Local families host fundraiser honoring Moraine Valley alumnus

The McNamara, Bartuzi and Zopf families hosted a fundraiser for the Forever 51 Trades Scholarship, which supports Moraine Valley students enrolled in trades-related courses. The scholarship honors the memory of alumnus Adam Bartuzi, Sr.

Donate to the scholarship

Alumni Spotlight



Building a foundation for impact

When Katherine Brown walked through Moraine Valley's doors in 2012, she was looking for an affordable way to continue her education. What she found was a strong academic foundation, exposure to high academic standards and opportunities that eventually would give her the confidence to take her from local classrooms to international conferences.

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the Glacier

Read the Moraine Valley student newspaper

To catch up on the latest news and events from the perspective of Moraine Valley students, be sure to read The Glacier. This newspaper has won several national awards for being an outstanding student publication.

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The Moraine Valley Foundation hosted its annual Scoops and Scholarships event in August, bringing together over 125 student scholarship recipients, donors and family members. The sweet gathering served as a unique opportunity for Foundation scholars to meet the generous donors investing in their education.

Remember When?



In this photo, dated 1971, student recipients of a scholarship called the "Glacier Gals" receive their awards. The Glacier continues today as an award-winning student publication. Please let us know if you can identify anyone in the photo by emailing *alumni@morainevalley.edu*.

To learn more about how to get involved as a Moraine Valley alum, contact **Patti Mehallick**, *director of alumni and annual programs, at alumni@morainevalley.edu or (708) 974-5551.*

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