



Moraine Valley Matters

Alumni and Friends Newsletter

Moraine Valley Community College Alumni Newsletter - October 2024



11th Annual Halloween 5K Run/Walk is a thriller!

On Saturday, Oct. 26, in conjunction with the Moraine Valley Health, Fitness & Recreation Center, the Moraine Valley Foundation held the [11th Annual Halloween 5K Run/Walk](#). More than 265 runners and walkers in the event this year which took place under sunny skies on the Moraine Valley campus. All proceeds benefit student scholarships.

Many participants dressed in Halloween costumes which added to the fun. The weather was chilly but perfect for a run or walk on the beautiful Moraine Valley campus which has a certified 5K route. One of the highlights of the morning was the Kids Dash and many activities for children including a Pumpkin Patch which made it a spook-tacular day for the whole family.

Thanks to our title sponsor, [The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 134](#) for their continued support and the other [contributing sponsors](#) that made this event a success.

5K RESULTS



A great day on the greens at the annual Golf Outing

The Moraine Valley Foundation's 43rd Annual Golf Outing was held at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club, on Wednesday, Sept. 18. With 166 golfers attending, more than \$30,000 was raised to benefit student scholarships.

The outing started early in the morning with perfect weather, led by a parade of golf carts heading to the shotgun start holes. Golfers enjoyed a full day on the greens with food, fun and friendly competition.

A delicious dinner was served at the end of the outing, and supporters could bid on the amazing silent auction items.

This year the outing was proudly presented by [Live Right Senior Care](#), a sponsor of the outing for several years. Several other businesses [were sponsors](#) and helped provide an outstanding event that supported Moraine Valley students.

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Photo above: Three of the four members of the best scoring women's foursome at the tournament proudly display their trophies. (Left to right) Baylee O'Brien, Lisa O'Brien and Barb O'Brien, Live Right president. The foursome was from Live Right Senior Care, the title sponsor of the outing.

Please click on the photo below to watch a video of the golf outing highlights.





Moraine Valley student studies in Japan through U.S. Department of State scholarship

Moraine Valley Community College student Priscilla Candelas, of Burbank, returned from a two-month experience this summer in Japan for an intensive language-learning program after receiving a U.S. Department of State Critical Language Scholarship (CLS).

More than 5,000 people applied for the CLS Program with Candelas being one of 500 applicants from U.S. colleges and universities selected to study overseas. This was her second time applying for the scholarship, and she was accepted in February to study at Okayama University in Japan from June 12 to Aug. 9.

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Moraine Valley receives national diversity award

Moraine Valley Community College is one of 20 community colleges in the U.S. to receive the 2024 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine. The award recognizes U.S. colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion.



The HEED Award selection process consists of a comprehensive and rigorous application that includes questions relating to the recruitment and retention of students and employees as well as best practices for both; demographic information of faculty, staff and students; leadership support for diversity, campus culture and climate; supplier diversity; and many other aspects of campus diversity and inclusion.

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Moraine Valley Academic Theater presents "Carrie: The Musical"

The Moraine Valley Community College Academic Theater Department will present "Carrie: The Musical" Nov. 1 to 2 and Nov. 8 to 9, at 7:30 p.m., and Nov. 3 and 10 at 3 p.m., in the Fine and Performing Arts Center's (FPAC) Dorothy Menker Theater, 9000 W. College Parkway in Palos Hills.

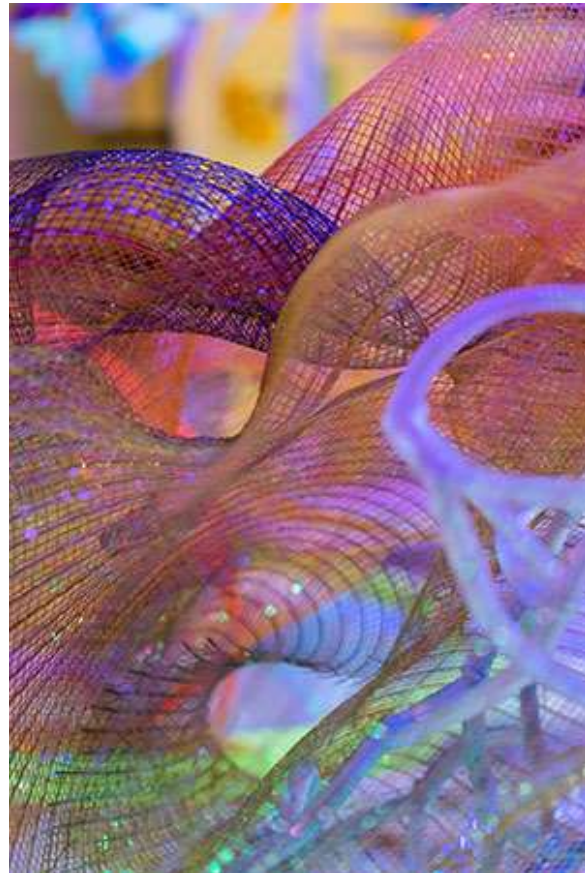
"Carrie: The Musical" is based on the Stephen King book and movie of the same name. Carrie is a teenage outcast longing to fit in. In high school, she is bullied by the popular crowd and invisible to almost everyone else. At home, she is dominated by her loving but cruelly controlling mother. What no one knows is Carrie discovered she possesses a special power and, if pushed too far, is not afraid to

"Unsteady Vanishing Points" next exhibit at Moraine Valley Robert F. Decaprio Art Gallery

"Unsteady Vanishing Points" by Siri Stensberg is the next art exhibit to be featured in the Robert F. DeCaprio Art Gallery in the Moraine Valley Community College Fine and Performing Arts Center (FPAC), 9000 W. College Parkway in Palos Hills. The show runs Nov. 4 to Dec. 14, and the artist's reception will be on Thursday, Nov. 7, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Unsteady Vanishing Points" is a playful, immersive exhibit about a common perspective tool. A vanishing point describes the moment of disappearance in the rendering of a space. They are small and fixed yet describe what cannot be seen. The found materials used converge to create these vanishing points that multiply and shift while turning the mind's eye outward.

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REMEMBER WHEN? Although the year is not identified in this photo, by the size of the computers, you can see it was taken many years ago. Pictured (left to right) are college president, Dr. Vernon O. Crawley; Sandi Ludwig, general manager for IBM's Midwest Area, and Joseph O'Hare, senior marketing representative for IBM United States. IBM donated the new, state-of-the-art computers to the college.



Photo identified thanks to newsletter readers

In this photo, featured in the Remember When section of the June 2024 edition of Moraine Matters, our archives did not indicate who the gentlemen were in the photo taken on campus. Thanks to our readers, Sharon Fritz and Joy Fett, we have identified individuals. Dick Fritz is standing on the far left and kneeling below him is Ron Svara. Standing on the far right is Howie Schite. Fritz says that most in the photo were math faculty members.



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