

MATC Quarterly News

Mountainland Applied Technology College

New Apprenticeship Opportunities at MATC

With the New Year comes new apprenticeship opportunities at Mountainland Applied Technology College. Starting January 1, 2007, MATC joined with UVSC to offer four new apprenticeship courses including: Electrical Apprentice, Plumbing Apprentice, Lineman Apprentice, and HVAC Service Technician.

The staff at MATC is excited about the new opportunities that these courses will provide for students. These courses are designed to provide students with the classroom related instruction portion of an apprenticeship

program and on-site work related experience which will provide them with a pathway to obtain a successful and excellent career.

The Utah Economic Data viewer projects that all of these occupations will grow faster than average. Job opportunities are expected to be excellent and have more jobs available than the supply of trained workers.

Now is the time to get involved with the apprenticeship programs. For more information on all apprenticeship programs, contact Lori Stewart, Apprenticeship Coordinator: 801.863.7659.



Apprenticeship Programs come in a variety of careers

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Special points of interest:

- UVSC partnership with MATC gives students hope and a direction for a number of trades
- COE accreditation visit brings SF Campus success
- New changes in Fall Programs
- New staff for MATC administration
- MATC student receives top honors

MATC Radio Project Airs on KUED

Students at the MATC will see the fruits of their labor after 2 1/2 years working on this fascinating documentary. The project "AM to FM: 3 Decades of Radio in Utah" is a documentary highlighting the evolution of AM to FM Radio. The program aired on KUED January 20th and again on the 24th. "It was an exciting and fun project to work on", said David Black, MATC Instructor. It all began with a record collection and a radio show. Greg Carlisle and

Mike Wisland play an extensive collection of vinyl records and 45's on K-Star 1400 AM in Orem. Famous disc jockeys from the golden age of Top 40 music radio appeared as guest host on the show. Their interviews were so entertaining that Greg decided to produce a video documentary highlighting the 50's, 60's and, and 70's. The students worked on the project by helping to edit and capture video affects. Individuals now can order the docu-

mentary DVD by calling 801.863.7571 In addition those who purchase the DVD will receive a bonus interactive CD developed by MATC's Media Design Students. The CD will include many features not included on the DVD.

For more information on this project contact David Black, 863.6282

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MATC Chocolate Roses Takes Prize



Natalie Snow's Chocolate Roses

A national website, Wilton.com sponsored the national contest, "Decorate to Celebrate" this past fall. MATC student, Natalie Snow was awarded 'Runner-Up' with her mouth-watering creation, Chocolate Roses. Natalie entered her masterpiece into the Decorated Delights Category and was surprised by her placing in the competition.

Natalie, a Culinary Arts student, has enjoyed her participation in the program and has been thrilled with her experience. Natalie has had a love for cooking and has begun her own catering business.

Wilton Industries, based in Illinois has united three distinctive consumer products

companies whose strategic focus is product innovations and quality. Wilton is recognized as a leader in its market. Wilton has been the number one preferred brand name in baking and cake decoration products for over 50 years.

MATC congratulates Natalie on her accomplishments and hopes she continues her love for the arts.

MATC's and HOSA Give Hope at Christmas

MATC Christmas elves were out in full force this past season. MATC and Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA), joined together to brighten Christmas for needy families. According to Kathy Gurr and Lex Yoakum, MATC Instructors, MATC's health programs helped raise funds in the amount of \$490 from students, staff, and instructors which were used to purchase gifts.

Students raised the money and bought

presents for two single moms and their families. Two women in Orem had no money for their seven children at Christmas. The college joined with United Way to help find families which were living at poverty level conditions. The students were so thrilled to see the good they were bringing to families and the joy they brought to those less fortunate. All three MATC campuses helped families in each of their surrounding areas.



Medical Office students help wrap presents for needy families

MATC Presents at NTPN Conference



Holly Peterson speaks at NTPN Conference

Holly Peterson, MATC Program Director presented at the National NTPN Conference in Dallas Texas in November. Holly presented about organization of the Culinary Arts Tour, a three-day cruise to Ensenada Mexico which allowed students with the ship's chef and their kitchen.

Holly Peterson, Lisa Birch and Mark Middlebrook presented different aspects of the tour from organization, coordination, marketing, fundraising, and other

issues which created hands-on opportunities for students. Students were able to learn about the work load chefs experience on cruise ships.

NTPN is a membership organization for educator and employers involved in the advancement of Tech Prep and related education reform initiatives. Those who attend the conference enjoyed the presentation and the new ideas which could be taken back to their own institution. The three-day conference highlights technology programs at secondary and post-secondary schools throughout the country.

Certiport Competition

Students from the Multi-Media Design class at the MATC entered Certiport's Technology Competition last fall.

Certiport, based in American Fork, is a leader in certification solutions was a pioneer company teaching fundamental computer skills and knowledge through performance based testing leading to certification. Certiport is responsible for the development, marketing and administration of certification programs for the Microsoft Office suites of ducts.

The competition had students designed characters in 3-D animation. Each character was to teach technology lessons and

convey concepts. The projects were judged upon visual appeal and storyline which students created. The competition promoted Seniors to enter technology and the computer careers.

President David Saedi, stated, "This competition was extremely useful to the company to view technology in the eyes of the younger generation." "We love the MATC and the partnership we have experienced at the college." The projects will now be available for Certiport to use in other project which will help people understand technology and provide helpful resources to people in the U.S. and in Europe.



Winners of the Certiport Competition (L to R) MATC President Clay Christensen, 2nd place winner, Natasha Harral, winner, Meggan Olive, 1st place winner, Katie Bishop, Certiport President David Saedi

Program Manager Appointed

Holly Peterson who has been directing the Culinary Arts Program has now replaced her Chef hat with a Program Manager hat.

Holly, Culinary Arts Department head was just appointed as the new Program Manager.

Holly who has an Accounting Degree and has been with the MATC for many years is excited about her new adventure. Holly is feeling overwhelmed, but knows that its just a matter of time before she feels com-

fortable.

Holly is taking over for Mark Walker who was appointed as the new Vice President of Student Services.

Holly started her new position on January 17th, and will continue serving both roles until the end of the school semester.

Congratulations Holly on your new Appointment !



Spanish Fork Campus Accredited

In the Fall of 2006 MATC's administration and instructors worked long and hard to prepare for the accreditation visit from the Council on Occupational Education (COE). As MATC, Orem Campus made their preparation one thing was not completed, the new Spanish Fork Campus, still under construction.

Whenever a new program or site comes live in an institution, a COE representative must check it out.

Walt Cobb and Howard Moore, COE Team members visited the Spanish Fork Campus in January to check exhibits, speak with students, and complete their checklists. Due to the hard work from MATC employees, the visit was successful and the Spanish Fork Campus was accredited.

COE was founded in 1971 as a regional accrediting agency of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The scope of recognition is as a national institutional

accrediting agency for the accreditation of non-degree-granting and applied associate degree-granting postsecondary occupa-



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MATC Updates

MATC now has a variety of new programs and changes for next year’s schedule. The following changes will be in affect starting 2007.

MATC Registration forms will be begin to be accepted February 1, 2007 for Fall Semester.

Registration Forms will be processed beginning March 1st.

Confirmation letters will be sent out to students May 2007

Fees due by August 1, 2007.

Transcripts no longer required for medical programs.

Dental Assistant registration forms due May 1, 2007.

New Programs:

Apprenticeships– Lineman, HVAC, Plumbing, Electrical

Culinary Arts Program— Summer Schedule

Dental Office Administration

Diesel Mechanics

Nail Technician

Welding I—Shielded Metal Arc , Evening Course

Wildland Firefighter I, II

Check out our new
website at
www.mlatc.edu

Student Services Promotes Walker

Students Services now has a new commander and chief, Mark Walker. Mark has just been appointed as Vice President of Student Services.

Mark, has been acting as Assistant to the Vice President for more than six months and has been doing a fantastic job. Mark is replacing Scott Snelson who was appointed as President of the Salt Lake Tooele Applied Technology College.

Mark’s responsibilities include all related to issues of Student Services and is a member of the MATC Executive Board.

Mark is excited about the new adventure and hopes to create an exciting, organized, and enjoyable place to work. Mark has been with the MATC for more than 1 1/2 years. He brings with him his past experi-

ences in management and in the retail business.

Mark has managed well known jewelry stores throughout the country and was part owner with Miller RV business in Spanish Fork.

Mark is a resident of Salem, Utah and has been married to Vickie Miller for more than 29 years. Mark and Vickie are proud parents of three children and three grandchildren. His hobbies include scuba diving, sports and outdoor activities.

Mark looks forward to working with students and making a difference in their lives. He loves Student Services and building a team atmosphere. The administration is thrilled to have Mark on board and knows that he will do a fantastic job. He



will be an added strength and a key player to the future of MATC. Mark has vision and knows the importance of Applied Technology College in Utah County.

**MATC Administration congratulates
Mark on his promotion !**