



2018 President's Reception and Staff & Faculty Holiday Party



Rebounding Enables KCKCC Women to Avenge Loss

KCKCC got its much anticipated revenge against Metropolitan Community College (MCC) Tuesday but nothing about it came easy.

The No. 6 ranked Lady Blue Devils had to withstand a record 17 3-point goals for a 98-86 win in a furiously fought offensive showdown. MCC ended KCKCC's unbeaten season 79-74 earlier on the Penn Valley campus. The win boosted the Blue Devils' record to 13-2 heading into a home game with Des Moines Area Community College Friday at 6 p.m., the last game before the holiday break.

With three Blue Devils recording double-doubles, total domination of the rebounding was the difference in a game that had five ties and seven lead changes. KCKCC pulled down 52 rebounds including 19 off the offensive boards to 22 total rebounds for the Lady Wolves. The domination resulted in 54 KCKCC points in the paint and 20 second chance points.

The double-doubles were turned in by Lillie Moore, 21 points and 13 rebounds; Kisi Young, 15 points and 12 rebounds; and Nija Collier, 13 points and 10 rebounds. Freshman Lenaejha Evans shared KCKCC scoring honors with Moore with 21 points on 9-of-13 shooting. Camryn Swanson added nine points, Brodi Byrd six and Caroline Hoppock three, all on 3-point baskets.



KCKCC Program Spotlight



When you are driving north to Leavenworth, be sure to check out KCKCC on the new electronic billboard on K-7, just outside of town!



Congratulations to all of our Fall 2018 Culinary graduates who completed their Capstone Cafes! Great job by all of the students who raised the bar this semester!

Blue Devils Get Revenge with Win Over Washburn JV

What a difference seven days can make for a young basketball team.

Beaten by Washburn University JV 80-77 a week ago, KCKCC's young Blue Devils responded with a workmanlike 72-59 home court win over the Ichabods Monday night. The win sets up another re-match Saturday when KCKCC (4-9) hosts Iowa Western at 4 p.m. in the final game before entering the holiday break.

The Blue Devils combined one of their better shooting nights with effective ball-handling and a stingy defense for the 72-59 win over Washburn. Knocking down 26 of 50 shots for 52 percent, the Blue Devils had 20 assists on the 26 field goals - the most assists of the season. Defensively, they limited the Ichabods to 20 of 51 shots for 39.2 percent, came up with 11 steals and forced 15 turnovers.

Kelyn Bolton, a 6-2 freshman point guard from Belton, had 12 of the assists with Cody Dortch and Malcolm Tate adding three each. Sophomore Arother Ratliff led a balanced attack with 17 points. Jalen Davis added 13 points, Dortch 11 and Taylor Turner and Jonathan Richmond 8 each. Bolton also had six rebounds and Dortch five in an evenly matched battle of the boards (30-29 Washburn).



KCKCC knocked down eight 3-pointers in 16 attempts the first half in building its biggest lead at 39-25. Washburn closed the gap to 56-53 with 9:37 left in the second half before the KCKCC defense pitched a 7½ -minute shutout, during which time sophomore DuVonte' Beard reopened the lead to 62-53 with a resounding dunk and a 3-pointer in a matter of 30 seconds. By the time the Ichabods scored again with 1:59 left, KCKCC had a comfortable 66-56 lead. The game ended Washburn's JV season at 4-6.

Entrepreneurship & Workforce Center

The entrepreneurship and workforce center is covering more ground than Santa Claus this month!

We represented KCKCC in Wichita at the "Kansas Association of Colleges and Employers" conference and presented a session on Community College- Engaging Entrepreneurs & the Corporate World. Several academic leaders enthusiastically approached the speakers after the presentation to further discuss our program. Speaking of conferences, it is still too early to share some of the big names we have lined up for our annual "Business and Life Mastery" event in August, but here's a hint - "We Work" with all levels of businesses, startups and companies.

Our non-traditional students and clients at the EWC have been making huge strides. V.I.T.A.L.L., the Re-training program for Baby Boomers at the Entrepreneurial and Workforce Office is concluding its fourth training class on Dec. 13. We taught Microsoft Suite, Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint and Microsoft Excel to seniors in preparation of returning to the workplace. We also taught resume building, interview strategies and time management skills. This has been a fun learning environment for Baby Boomers. They take away renewed skills and a determination to become re-employed in 2019.

Need A Career that is a Good Fit?

For more information about the Entrepreneurship & Workforce Center, call 913-288-7880 or email EnhanceU@kckcc.edu. Information is also available on the website at [HOT JOBS - LOG IN NOW!](#)



KCKCC's The Standard Release First Studio Album



KCKCC's top vocal ensemble, The Standard, can add another accomplishment to their ever-growing list - recording artists.

The ensemble is preparing to release its first album, featuring music the group has performed at national venues including those in Minneapolis, Minn.; New Orleans, La. and Dallas, Texas. Entitled, "Feelin' Good," the 11-track album features songs such as "Green Garden" by Laura Mvula; "Feelin' Good" by Michael Bublé; "Way of the World" by Earth, Wind and Fire and "You and I" by Stevie Wonder, among many others.

The Standard will celebrate this milestone with a CD Release Party at 7 p.m. Dec. 17 at

the Black Dolphin Jazz Club, 1813 Grand Blvd. in Kansas City. Attendees must be 21-years or older to attend the show, however, the event is free and open to the public.

Stafford said the album features a combination of traditional jazz standards and popular music arrangements with jazz harmony. Even though every track on the album is considered "jazz" (because of the harmonic content), he said it features music performed in multiple styles including swing, Latin, funk, rock, hip-hop and R&B.

Contributors on the album include:

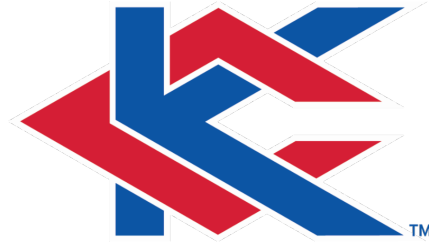
Vocalists (all current KCKCC students) - Hayley Hinton, Nellie Bills, Hunter Ramer, Jazmyne Hill, Lexie Freeman, Isabella Ramirez, Sarah Stella, Paige Vogel, Maddie Birdshaw, Brady Rose, Ernesto Hodison, Noah Haskin, Jered Gatson, Trevor Thaelke, Adam Bender, Shawn McDaniel, Michael Schley and Brenden Rennick.

Rhythm Section - Justin Binek (faculty) and Charles Williams, piano; Jim Mair (faculty), alto saxophone; Michael Schley (KCKCC alum), guitar; Robert Castillo, bass; Antonio Reyes (KCKCC student) and Doug Auwarter, drums; Sterling Turner (KCKCC alum), vocal percussion; Joe Straws III (KCKCC student), turntables; Brady Rose (KCKCC alum) and John Stafford II (faculty), producers; Jordan Lankhorst (KCKCC alum) and Brady Rose, tracking engineers; Brady Rose, mixing engineer; Ian Corbett (faculty), mastering engineer; Oscar Alvarez-Alonzo (KCKCC student), graphic designer; Keith Kavanaugh, production and licensing service; Joyce Steeby (faculty), rehearsal accompanist; Suzanne Hatcher, vocal consultant; Emily Her (KCKCC alum), photo credit and John Stafford II, ensemble director.

The album is currently available in hard copy form for \$12 through Stafford and will soon be available for digital download. All proceeds will go back to the Music Department to support student travel, such as the upcoming trip to the Jazz Educators Network National Conference in Reno, Nev. and the Kansas Music Educators Association's

VP of Academic Affairs Finalists Named at KCKCC, Visits to Campus Planned Dec. 17 and 18

The search for the next vice president of Academic Affairs at Kansas City Kansas Community College has moved into a new phase with the naming of three finalists for the position - Melanie W. Thornton, Ed.D.; Beth Ann Krueger, Ph.D. and Brock L. Fisher, Ph.D.



The search committee chose to recommend to KCKCC President Dr. Greg Mosier the three finalists based on academic credentials, experience and leadership criteria. The finalists will visit the KCKCC campus for interviews Dec. 17 and 18 where they will spend time meeting with various groups on campus including faculty, the Dean's Council and KCKCC President, Dr. Greg Mosier among others. In addition, on each of those days, there will be a general session that is open to all students, staff, faculty and the community. For those who wish to participate, but cannot attend, these Open Forum sessions will be available via livestream on the college's Facebook page.

The VPAA finalists are:

- **Dr. Melanie Thornton.** Thornton currently serves as vice president of Academic Affairs for Columbus Technical College in Columbus, Ga., where she has been for the past five years. She also served one year as vice president of Academic Affairs at Okefenokee Technical College in Waycross, Ga., and five years as dean and professor of reading at Darton State College in Albany, Ga. She has an Ed.D. in Curriculum Studies with an emphasis on Multicultural and Comparative Education from Georgia Southern University.
- **Dr. Beth Ann Krueger.** Krueger currently serves as dean of Mathematics and Science for Cochise College in Sierra Vista, Ariz., where she has been since 2014. She also served seven years as science faculty at Central Arizona College, one year as chief academic officer/dean of Academic Affairs for Miles Community College in Miles City, Mont. and as director, Center for Distance Learning at Laredo Community College in Laredo, Texas. Her Ph.D. is in Education Administration from University of Texas-Austin.
- **Dr. Brock Fisher.** Fisher currently serves as associate vice president of Arts and Sciences at McHenry County College in Crystal Lake, Ill., a position he has held since 2016. At McHenry County College, Fisher also served two years as executive dean of Humanities and Social sciences. He was also chair of Fine Arts at Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, Ala. for three years. His Ph.D. is in theatre from University of Missouri-Columbia.

The Open Forum for Thornton is from 10 to 10:50 a.m. Dec. 17. The forum for Krueger is 2 to 2:50 p.m. Dec. 17, and the forum for Fisher is from 10 to 10:50 a.m. Dec. 18. All forums will be in the Lower Jewell Student Center on the KCKCC Main Campus, 7250 State Ave. The complete schedule for each candidate can be by visiting the [KCKCC website](#).

For questions about the VPAA forums, contact Delfina Wilson, vice president of Student Affairs, at 913-288-7618 or by email at dewilson@kckcc.edu.

Looking for the most current and up-to-date information on the [KCKCC Foundation](#) and the [KCKCC Veterans Center](#)? Be sure to follow them on their new Facebook pages!! Many other campus departments and groups can also be found, so be sure to do a quick search for KCKCC on your favorite social media channels and join the conversation today!

KCKCC President Dr. Greg Mosier has started a [blog](#)! Now instead of waiting for a Presidential Update via email every couple weeks, you will have the chance to read Dr. Mosier's blog posts a couple of times every week. The hope is to keep everyone more informed in a timely manner. To make it even easier for everyone to stay current, once on the blog site, you can sign up to receive email notifications once new posts are available.

Annual Staff Senate Sponsored Holiday Celebration & Pajama Party

Wear your Festive, Christmas, Winter,
or Holiday Pajamas and join us

Thursday, December 20, 2018
Upper Level Jewell
12:30pm to 2:00pm

Staff Senate will provide turkey, ham, mashed potatoes and
gravy, green bean casserole, stuffing, and punch

Bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share

**Please RSVP to fmoody@kckcc.edu by Tuesday, December 18, 2018
so we can provide enough food!**

All KCKCC employees present on campus the day of the party are welcome to attend

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