

# KCKCC Welcomes New Institutional Effectiveness and Foundation Directors



Kansas City Kansas Community College is pleased to announce the hiring of Rusty W. McLouth as the director of Institutional Effectiveness and Mary Spangler as the director of the KCKCC Foundation.

McLouth has a bachelor of arts in psychology from Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colo. and a master's

degree from Emporia State University in general experimental psychology. He has been working for the Metropolitan Community College system in Kansas City since 2015 where he has served as a research analyst. Since December 2017, he has been a senior research analyst for MCC, responsible for special projects, training and assisting colleagues on various software and was responsible for various federal compliance reports such as IPEDS, Complete College America and Perkins, among others. He has also been an adjunct faculty member in Avila University's Avila Advantage Program and is the owner/consultant for McLouth Research and Consulting. He has been involved with the American Psychological Association, the Kansas City Fighting Back Coalition, Mid-America Immunization Council and the Mother & Child Health Coalition. He starts his new position at KCKCC Feb. 18.

Spangler has a bachelor of arts in sociology from Benedictine College and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Currently, she is a major gifts officer for the National Catholic Reporter and has been responsible for planning and implementing a comprehensive major gift program as well as representing the organization at community events. Her previous positions include director of development at Community Housing of Wyandotte County and endowment officer at Bishop Ward High School. She was also director of development at Donnelly College for 12 years. Her community involvement includes fund development committee volunteer for Community Housing of Wyandotte County, past president and board member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and a graduate of the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Department's Citizens' Academy. Spangler starts Feb. 25.

## KCKCC's Collier Named Jayhawk Player of the Week

For the fourth time this season, KCKCC sophomore Nija Collier is the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference (KJCCC) Player of the Week. In addition, the 6-0 power forward from Detroit has twice been NJCAA National Player of the Week. Collier earned the KJCCC Player of the Week award for Week 12 after averaging 20 points and 9.5 rebounds and shooting 71.4 percent from the field in two Blue Devil wins.

Collier scored a point a minute in KCKCC's 78-72 win over No. 3 ranked Highland, finishing with 21 points in 21 minutes while hauling down 12 rebounds. She was 7-of-10 from the field after netting 8-of-11 while scoring 19 points and grabbing seven rebounds in an 82-41 win over Fort Scott. Her double-double against Highland was her 17<sup>th</sup> in 24 games.

Collier leads the Jayhawk Conference in scoring (17.7), is second in rebounding (10.6) and field goal percentage (.626) and third in 3-point field goal

percentage (.424), the only player to rank in all four statistical categories. Nationally, Collier ranks fifth in offensive rebounds, seventh in field goal percentage and 10<sup>th</sup> in total rebounds. This is the fifth time a Blue Devil has been named Player of the Week. Sophomore Lillie Moore earned the award the previous week.



# **KCKCC Program Spotlight**



The KCKCC Art Gallery had a wonderful turnout Feb. 5 for the February Film Series - Legacy: Spirit of the Black Panthers. Thank you to Lyle Gibson for speaking about his film on the Black Panthers in Kansas City.



KCKCC was pleased to attend the KCK Chamber of Commerce's Chairman's Breakfast Feb. 5. Mark One Electric was the sponsor for this month's event.

### KCKCC to Celebrate Valentine's Day with Fitness Challenge



Kansas City Kansas Community College's Wellness & Fitness Center is hosting a "Have a Heart Healthy Valentine's Day event - and all three campuses will have the opportunity to participate.

"Have a Heart Healthy Valentine's Day" will be Thursday, Feb. 14 at all three locations - Main Campus, the Dr.

Thomas R. Burke Technical Education Center and the Pioneer Career Center in Leavenworth. For the main campus, the event will be from 5:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Wellness & Fitness Center. There will be two Technogym recumbent bicycles reserved

for the event - one for employees and one for students and community members. Both bicycles will be open throughout the day for whoever wants to participate in the Heart Healthy Challenge.

People who would like to participate on Main Campus are asked to sign-up at the Wellness Center for a pre-determined, 30-minute time slot to ride that day. The goal is to complete 15 hours of cardiovascular exercise during the event as well as to encourage KCKCC employees, students and community members to team up in an attempt to ride the most miles and expend the most calories on Valentine's Day. Participants are asked to ride for their entire 30-minute time slot and cannot go over into a second 30-minute slot. If they complete the full 30 minutes, they are entered into a prize drawing. For more information or to register for the "Have a Heart Healthy Valentine's Day" on Main Campus, call the Wellness & Fitness Center at 913- 288-7610.

At the Dr. Thomas R. Burke Technical Education Center and the Pioneer Career Center in Leavenworth, participants will be able to sign up to walk a mile as part of the event. At KCKCC-TEC, participants will sign up for a 30-minute time slot between 7 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. to walk one mile - six and a half times around the inside of the TEC. The goal is for participants to complete a combined 23 miles of cardiovascular exercise. To register, contact Kristen Povilonis at <a href="mailto:kpovilonis@kckcc.edu">kpovilonis@kckcc.edu</a>.

For those at the Pioneer Career Center, participants will be asked to register for a 30-minute time slot between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. During this time, they must walk one mile, which is eight times around the inside of PCC. The goal is for participants to complete a combined 26 miles of cardiovascular exercise. Those who complete one mile at KCKCC-TEC or PCC will be entered into a prize drawing. To register, contact Shelly Thompson at 913-288-7750 or by email at <a href="mailto:sthompson@kckcc.edu">sthompson@kckcc.edu</a>.

Pam Hall, wellness specialist at the KCKCC Wellness & Fitness Center, said the purpose of "Have a Heart Healthy Valentine's Day" is to encourage cardiovascular exercise as a way to promote a healthier way to celebrate Valentine's Day. She said she would like to see every 30-minute time slot filled.

"I started the 'Have a Heart Healthy Valentine's Day' event to encourage KCKCC employees to celebrate Valentine's Day with heart healthy activities," she said. "The event was a great success, and it evolved into what it is today with students, staff, faculty and the community participating in the 'Have a Heart Healthy Valentine's Day' event."

# **Human Resources Update**

#### **Explore Career Openings**

Find your place at Kansas City Kansas Community College. We are not just a great place to get an education. It is also a great place to work. KCKCC was voted the 2018 best places to work in Kansas City, Kan. by Zippia.

To view a list of current external and internal opened positions at KCKCC use the following links below:

#### External postings:

http://kckcc.applicantstack.com/x/openings

#### Internal postings:

http://kckcc.applicantstack.com/x/openings-internal

## **3-Point Leader Camryn Swanson Leads KCKCC as Captain**

Camryn Swanson is not only first in 3-point field goals for KCKCC's No. 9 ranked Lady Blue Devils.

She's also the first captain under the leadership of fourth year coach Joe McKinstry.

"I have not done that (selected a captain) in the past, but I felt like her character and how she handles herself academically made her a good choice," said McKinstry, whose Blue Devils are coming off a 78-72 win over No. 3 ranked Highland. "Camryn has a very quiet demeanor, has done everything we've asked, never been a problem and a fantastic teammate. I thought it was important that she represent us as our captain."

The Blue Devil leader in 3-point goals as a freshman with 41, Swanson currently ranks seventh in the nation this season with 72 treys. Third on the KCKCC all-time list of 3-pointers, she's already tied for second for career 3's with 113. Add in 48 3-pointers from Brodi Byrd and 47 from Caroline Hoppock (both freshmen), the



Blue Devils have made 228 treys this season - an average of 9.5 per game which is third best in the nation.

A graduate of Blue Springs (Mo.) High School, Swanson was named the team's Offensive Player of the Year and All-District as a senior. Two-time all-conference honorable mention, she averaged 12.1 points, 3.4 rebounds and 4.2 assists - as well as being a Student-Athlete Leadership Award recipient.

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# **Small Changes** Big Shifts

Thursday, February 21, 2019 12:30 to 1:30 pm

Jewell Student Center Lower Level, Room 2325

Smart Lunch Provided



## Presented by **Dr. Michelle Robin**

Chiropractor

Founder of Your Wellness Connection

Author

International Speaker





Co-hosted by Women & Gender Advocacy, Counseling & Advocacy Center, Student Health Services and the Wellness & Fitness Center. For additional information, please contact Jen Gieschen, Coordinator of Women & Gender Advocacy, 913.288.7193

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