



### CCCC receives grants for ag facility, tech center

A new agriculture facility is closer to reality after the Cloud County Community College Foundation received a \$100,000 grant from the Sunderland Foundation.

The grant will be used to support the construction of an agriculture facility on the Concordia campus. The facility will help Cloud meet the needs of its growing enrollment in the agriculture program, by providing space for the Precision Ag equipment and livestock. It will also allow for community and business outreach opportunities.

“We are ecstatic to receive this generous contribution from the Sunderland Foundation,” said Cloud County Community College Foundation Director Heather Gennette. “We want this facility to not only benefit Cloud County students, but would also like it be utilized to provide learning and enrichment opportunities for area high schools, youth ag programs, local businesses, and the community. This gift has given us the momentum we need to achieve our goal.”

The Foundation has already secured \$30,000 in additional funds to be used for the new build-

ing. Gennette said the Foundation will continue to pursue additional grant opportunities, partnerships and fundraising to raise the \$200,000 needed for the project.

The Kansas City-based Sunderland Foundation was established in 1945. Since its inception, the Foundation has focused on supporting construction projects and awarding grants to tax-exempt organizations. In 2017, the Foundation awarded more than \$25 million to various hospitals, human service nonprofits, higher education, and arts and culture projects.

Cloud County Community College’s Renewable Energy Technology program has received a \$110,000 grant from the Kansas Department of Commerce for development of a wind and solar satellite training program in southeast Kansas.

Cloud County’s wind and solar classes will be offered at the Allen County Rural Regional Technology Center, located near LaHarpe in southeast Kansas.

The Jobs and Innovative Industry Skills Training Grant is administered through the

Kansas Department of Commerce.

“Cloud County Community College is excited to provide high school students the opportunity to be prepared to enter the wind or solar industry after high school,” said Nancy Zenger-Beneda, vice president for academic affairs at Cloud County. “We’re very appreciative of our partners that are helping make this program possible.”

Last year, EDP Renewables North America presented a \$150,000 donation toward the project. The Allen County Economic Development group also contributed \$100,000 for the training programs.

Four area high schools currently send students interested in technical education to the Tech Center for training classes. Fort Scott Community College offers Construction Technology, Neosho Community College offers Welding Technology, and Cloud County will begin offering Wind Energy and Solar Energy Technology courses beginning in August 2019. Area graduates can also enroll in any of these classes.



Sophomores Gracie Rudolph, Clyde, Kan., and Alvin Thompson, St. Louis, Mo., were crowned 2019 Homecoming king and queen between the men’s and women’s basketball games against Independence on Saturday, Jan. 26.



In addition to the Homecoming activities on Saturday, Jan. 26, the 2019 Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony took place. Three members made up the 13th class of Hall of Fame inductees. They are, left to right: Chad Myers, Kelli (Silvey) Kuennen, and Ann and Michael Allen, representing Kellyn (Johnson) Taylor.

Myers attended Cloud from 1993-1994, and was a two-time NJCAA Division II Region VI runner-up and national qualifier on the men’s golf team. Kuennen was a softball star from 1995-1996, and still holds school records for wins, innings pitched, strikeouts, and earned run average. Taylor was a cross country and track standout from 2005-2006. She still holds the school records in the indoor distance medley relay, 1,000 meter run, mile run, and outdoor 3,000 meter steeplechase.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### TO THOSE WHO CELEBRATED JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!

- Mark Whisler, Jan. 1
- Todd Johnston, Jan. 3
- Susan Greene, Jan. 4
- Kay Reed, Jan. 5
- Cindy Lamberty, Jan. 6
- Qin Qin Gong, Jan. 15
- Suzette Ghent, Jan. 16
- Jennifer Schroeder, Jan. 16
- Dennis Smith, Jan. 17
- Joe Urban, Jan. 23
- Chér Knudsen, Jan. 24
- Krystal Richard, Jan. 24
- John Rutherford, Jan. 24
- Kris Farmer, Jan. 26
- Karen Leiszler, Jan. 28
- Rebecca Peters, Jan. 28
- Chelsea McCall, Jan. 31

# Student Success Center

## January Department of the Month

**Janice Stangel –**

*Coordinator of SSC, Concordia campus*

**Rosemary Burt –**

*Front desk clerk and paraprofessional,  
Concordia campus*

**Mary Kay McEuen –**

*Testing coordinator, Concordia campus*

**Robert Forman –**

*Paraprofessional, Geary County campus*

The Student Success Center (SSC) provides assistance and services to support students in achieving their academic goals. The SSC provides tutoring by peer tutors, staff, and instructors, as well as study tables and a computer lab in a quiet study-friendly environment.

The SSC staff also provides test proctoring for students who need to makeup exams or for students taking online exams. We provide both studying and testing accommodations for students with disabilities.

On the Concordia campus, the SSC loans basic and graphing calculators to students for use in the SSC and in the classroom. We also have a collection of current textbooks that students can check out for use while in the SSC. We will begin offering online tutoring through Zoom in the spring semester. Students will be able to join an ongoing Zoom meeting for access to tutoring each day.

If any faculty or staff members have ques-

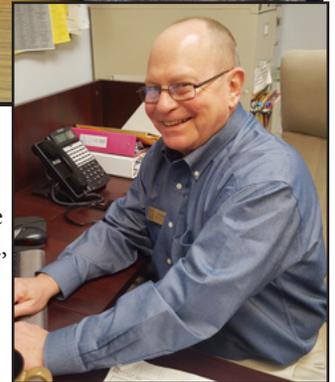


**Student Success Center staff, left to right, are: Rosemary Burt, Mary Kay McEuen, and Janice Stangle. Right: Bob Forman is a paraprofessional on the Geary County campus.**

tions, concerns, or ideas regarding services provided in the SSC at either campus, please feel free to contact Janice at extension 231 or Bob at extension 730.

To become a peer tutor, students must have already taken the course for which they tutor. Peer tutors must also have a minimum 3.0 grade point average, obtained a grade of

“A” or “B” in the subjects tutored, have the recommendation of the course instructor, and receive training from the SSC in tutoring theory and skills.



**Cloud County Community College President Adrian Douglas, center, cuts to the ribbon on Thursday, Jan. 10 to mark the completion and activation of the college’s Sun Power Solar Farm. Holding the ribbon are, Kit Thompson, left, Renewable Energy Technology Department Chair, and Andrew Clark, right, Renewable Energy Technology instructor.**

The solar farm consists of up to 300 kilowatts of solar panels, and is located on the hill south of the college. Clark estimated that in a year, the solar farm will save the college \$40,000-\$42,000 in electrical costs. Combined with the electricity generated by the two wind turbines, he said, one-third of the college’s electricity will soon come from renewable energy.

### Upcoming Events

**Saturday, February 2**

Youth For Music

6 p.m. • Brown Grand Theatre

7 p.m. • Cook Theatre

**Monday, February 18**

President’s Day

COLLEGE CLOSED

**Tuesday, February 5**

Black History Month Lecture

Series with Dr. Bruce Douglas

“Why We Celebrate Black History”

7 p.m. • Cook Theatre

**Tuesday, February 19**

President’s Day Celebration

Geary County campus

**Wednesday, February 6**

Academic Night

Women’s & Men’s basketball

games, 6 & 8 p.m.

**Tuesday, February 19**

Black History Month Lecture

Series with Dr. Bruce Douglas

“Black Leadership in the U.S.”

7 p.m. • Cook Theatre

**Thursday, February 7**

Zuzu African Acrobats

Cook Series event

11 a.m., meet & greet

7 p.m. • Cook Theatre

**Tuesday, February 26**

Black History Month Lecture

Series with Dr. Bruce Douglas

“The Black Experience in the

U.S. Today”

7 p.m. • Cook Theatre

**Tuesday, February 12**

Black History Month Lecture

Series with Dr. Bruce Douglas

“Controversial Issues of Black

People in America”

**Thursday, February 28**

Phi Theta Kappa induction

6 p.m. • Cook Theatre