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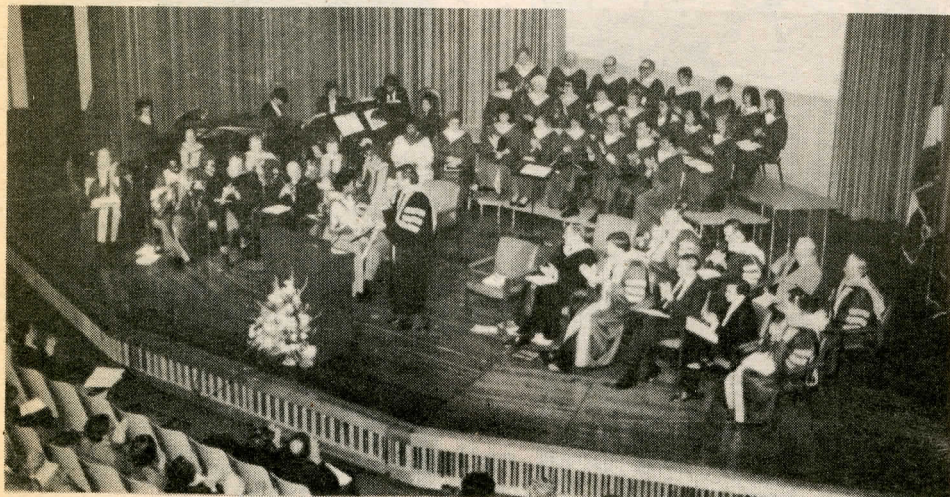
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College commemorates twentieth anniversary

A variety of speakers highlight annual Founders' Day celebration



Melissa Henderson, SGA vice-president, presented President Watters with a plaque "in recognition of his true concern and devotion to the students of MCCC," during Founders' Day ceremony.

(Photo by Shorti Velazquez)

UBS helps in buying and selling used texts

As all but the myopic have noticed, virtually every bulletin board in the College has been sporting posters announcing "Cash for your used books." MCCC students wondering what the story behind the posters is need wonder no more. The "Used Book Store" is back in town and Montco's got it!

What is the Used Book Store (UBS)? It's MCCC's own, student-run, student-staffed, non-profit facility designed to save students some bucks both in getting rid of unwanted texts and in buying next semester's books.

The UBS works in two phases. Student managers Walt Manning and John Wolf will be paying cash for used texts throughout final exam week (December 17-20) in the Game Room Annex. On Monday and Tuesday, December 17 and 18, the UBS will pay only for those texts identified on the various UBS posters.

On December 19 and 20, the UBS will be joined by a national buyer who will pay cash for any college text that

has not been replaced by a more recent edition.

Why not wait until the last two days and only make one trip? "The reason for coming on Monday and Tuesday," explains Walt Manning, "is that the UBS will be paying the nation's highest prices for the texts on the bulletin-board lists during those days. When our money runs out, the national buyer takes over all remaining business -- and his prices are somewhat lower."

Where is the UBS located? "We're easy to find," explains John Wolf. "We set up in the Game Room Annex, which is in the basement of College Hall. Just go down the main stairs and follow the signs, or listen for the sounds of the pinball machines. We'll be open every day from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m."

If a student wishes to buy a used book, "he or she will have to wait until the beginning of the semester," says

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By Steve Choyce

A ceremony marking the Twentieth Anniversary Celebration of MCCC was highlighted by the participation of several figures instrumental in the establishment and growth of the College. The festivities were held on Friday beginning at 11:15 a.m. in the Science Center Auditorium.

President Edmond A. Watters III emphasized that "our accomplishments are due to many but especially to the trustees, the faculty and the staff, who continuously strive to achieve three things: excellence, the fullest development of each student and service to the community."

Following the playing of a processional by the Festive Brass during which robed members of both the faculty and administration entered the auditorium, the National Anthem was sung by the entire assembly.

Board of Trustees member Edward J. Laws delivered an invocation recognizing all those whose dreams originated at MCCC and who have since moved -- gone on to other endeavors.

James E. Mullen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees welcomed those attending and introduced former and current Board members who were present.

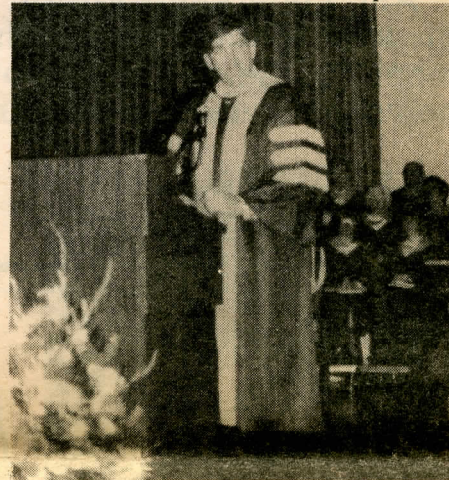
Calling A. Russell Parkhouse, "the epitome of integrity, character and honesty," Mullen said that beyond renaming the former Founders' Hall after Parkhouse he did not know what more could be done to sufficiently honor the former Chairman of the Montgomery County Board of Commissions.

Watters then read a statement from the County Commissioners proclaiming December 3-7 as MCCC week in honor of the 20th Anniversary of its founding.

Watters introduced Parkhouse who recalled that when he, along with fellow Commissioner Daniel Costello,

voted to form the College, America was entering a new phase of industry. Parkhouse challenged everyone to keep pace with this technological revolution.

Founding Chairman of the Board of Trustees and former Dean of Administration Dr. Joseph R. Feldmeier stated that "A seed was planted twenty years ago when the College acquired a faculty, staff and administration along with the buildings. It was spirit that allowed the college to grow despite its limited resources. The seed that was planted



John Kolb, treasurer of the board of trustees, was presented with the 20th Anniversary Alumni Achievement for distinguished and exceptional attainments in life and service to the College by President Watters.

(Photo by Shorti Velazquez)

long ago must be given appropriate love and nurture to recapture the spirit. MCCC is now in balance with the resources available."

He ended by saying that "I hope four years from now I can look back and see that the seed has grown."

Dr. Leroy R. Brendlinger, president emeritus of MCCC discussed how the concept of local sponsorship emerged as a viable principle for the establishment of community colleges.

Despite initial reluctance the principle of thirds that evolved wherein students, local sponsors and the state shared equally in fiscal needs has been proven successful, but he questioned whether "the pioneering spirit of experimentation and working together with the trust and confidence could

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Vector offers semester break employment

For most students, the upcoming semester break represents a well deserved vacation from classes, books and studies. After several months of hard work and effort, having a few weeks of rest and relaxation just to take it easy sure sounds good.

Mike Lancellot, local division manager for the Vector Marketing Corporation, suggests a different use for this time however, when he asks, "Why waste your semester break?" Vector is a fast growing marketing firm with seventeen offices located throughout the East and Mid-West.

Vector offers a unique program for students who may be interested in more than soap operas and sitcoms until classes resume. As part of their special student program students can earn some extra money over semester break. The program offers flexible full-time scheduling during break, and students can remain part-time when classes resume, if they wish.

The company provides a complete, professional training seminar which is held between Christmas and New Year's Day, so no experience is required. All majors may apply. Also

there is no door or phone soliciting involved and Vector offers a guaranteed pay program.

For more information on this winter semester break opportunity, students are encouraged to call the personnel department of Vector at 572-5915 between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

MCCC graduate writes book

What was life like in a small town in the 1930's and 1940's? MCCC graduate Gloria Paleveda writes of that era in a book entitled, *A Fond Look Back* now available in the MCCC Bookstore.

Paleveda writes of folk medicine and silent movie stars, of coal and ice delivery men, umbrella men, of her love for the Delaware River.

She attempts to enter the mind of an uncle who was gassed in World War I. She recalls rationing during World War II and trying to learn the facts of life.

The setting is regional, the Delaware Valley, where she enjoyed "The warmth of the familiar," but the stories easily reflect life anywhere in the USA in those innocent years.

Paleveda is the 1982 Gladys Pearlstein Award recipient, was a *Montgazette* feature writer and *Dimensions* Editor. She credits Montco and its interested professors with fostering her career as a writer.

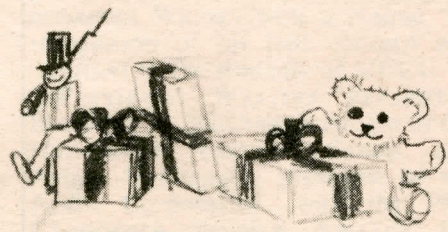
Paleveda states that she learned the art of interviewing in Professor Samuel Whyte's Journalism I class. She went on to have interviews published in the *Sunday Inquirer*, the *Times Herald*, *Ambler Gazette* and *Doylestown Intelligencer*.

Paleveda has a weekly column in the *Delaware Valley News* in French town, New Jersey and is also a Poetry Therapist for local institutions.

One can enter her world of the 1930's and 40's. *A Fond Look Back* is available in the Bookstore for \$4.50.

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