

### DACC Foundation Friends Fall Newsletter

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Danville Area Community College Foundation is a not-for-profit organization committed to promoting and supporting the success of Danville Area Community College through fundraising and stewardship of the Foundation's resources, with the belief in the College's positive educational, cultural, and economic impact on the communities it serves.

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- DACC Programs
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### WHY I GIVE: DR. WES BIERITZ

He's served for more than four decades as the personal physician to Danville's "Pet Set."

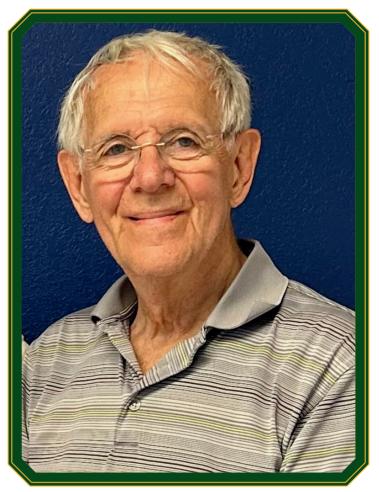
Since the 1970s, Dr. Wes Bieritz has lived in, worked in, and raised his family in Danville. Together with his business partner Dr. George Richards, Dr. Bieritz ran one of the most popular veterinary clinics in the history of Vermilion County.

A graduate of the School of Veterinary Medicine in the University of Illinois, Dr. Bieritz has supported scholarships for veterinary students at his alma mater as well as general scholarships at DACC. Having grown up in poverty as the son of an Indiana sharecropper, he admits that his successful veterinary career has enabled him to "accumulate some assets to give to the community that has been so kind to me and my family." He recently made a sizeable donation to the DACC Foundation to endow a scholarship to support students needing a financial boost to help them get to graduation.

Dr. Bieritz's appreciation for DACC has evolved over the years. "Back when my daughters were in school, DACC wasn't as big a deal as it is now," he says. In fact, none of his three daughters attended DACC. "They went to State-run universities to take advantage of discounted tuition for residents."

But Dr. Bieritz sees DACC today in a whole new light, based on both the quality of education and the bottom line. "State universities aren't as welcoming or as affordable as they were then, so DACC is a really great alternative. Three of my grandkids have done well going to community colleges."

After retiring from his vet business, Dr. Bieritz has continued in public service as a Vermilion County Board member representing the 9,000 residents of Danville's District 6. He was initially elected to the Board in 2014 and won reelection. He continues to serve as president of the Central Illinois Landbank Authority.



Dr. Wes Bieritz

Dr. Bieritz is a member of the Danville Kiwanis. He sings bass for the Danville Barbershop Chorus, which performs concerts throughout the City, County, and region, and is a member of the International Barbershop Society. One may argue that his passion for music is surpassed only by his love of education. "The most important gift one can give is education," he says.

As someone who will unabashedly admit to owing his success in life to the Midwestern values of hard work and personal responsibility, Dr. Bieritz has advice for students who receive his scholarship support: "There are opportunities galore at DACC. All you have to do is study a little bit and stick with it. I really appreciate all that DACC does to help people succeed."

### DACC Foundation Hosts Honors Program Record-Breaking Scholarship Awards Exceed \$1 Million

Danville Area Community College Foundation hosted the Annual Honors Program for scholarship recipients Friday, September 15th in the Mary Miller Center Gymnasium.

For the 2023-2024 academic year, the Foundation celebrated awarding a record-breaking 760 scholarships totaling over \$1 million. Last year, the Foundation awarded 658 scholarships valued at over \$945,000. Scholarship numbers and values at DACC have grown each year for more than a decade.

The Foundation's Annual Honors Program celebrates the achievements of scholarship recipients at DACC and the generosity of the donors who support them. The Honors Program is an opportunity for scholarship recipients to meet and thank their donors in person.





DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill addresses a crowd of more than 700 at the 2023 Honors Program

Honors Program (cont'd)



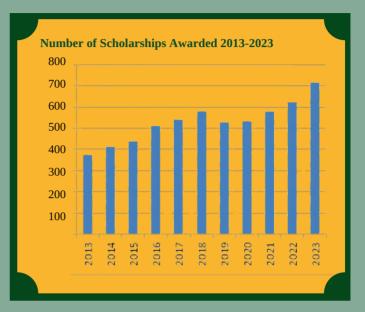
Above: Student Speaker Aniston Myers, Radiologic Technology Student and recipient of Frank and Sylvia Switzer Scholarship with Tonya Hill.

Below: First Year Presidential Scholars with Dr. Stephen Nacco, Tonya Hill, and Foundation Board President Ryan O'Shaunessy.



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Below: Student Speaker Ashlynn Pinnick, Second Year Presidential Scholar and Kietzmann Family Scholarship Recipient with Tonya Hill.





Above: Morgan Karuzis, recipient of Jahn Family Education Scholarship with donors Larry and Gloria Jahn.

Below: John and Judy Weaver Scholarship recipients Faith Grisson, left, and Jacob Xiong, right, with donors John Weaver and Lisa Cramer.

### Enrollment Continues to Rise, Foundation Contributes to Increase

For the Fall semester, overall headcount is 13 percent higher than it was last fall. Credits are up by more than 11 percent.

In his role as provost, Vice President Carl Bridges says, "We have nearly 300 more students attending DACC than we did last fall. The increase includes 100 more African-American students."

Dr. Bridges attributes this enrollment boom partially to the "Bonus Program" that gives students a \$600 credit which amounts to a free class—if they register for at least 12 credits. "This Fall, we have 12 percent more students taking a full-time course load than in 2022. Not only does this help boost enrollment, but an even more important benefit is that being full-time keeps students on track to graduate on time."

Another key to the enrollment boom is the 13-percent growth in high-school dual-credit enrollment. Also, for the first time in more than 10 fall semesters, enrollment in DACC's bachelor's-degree transfer programs has increased—up by 7 percent.

The College reports steep enrollment increases in College Express for high-school students taking career-and-technical classes (up 8 percent), a 13-percent increase in students taking adult-education classes to earn a high-school diploma, and a 26-percent increase in courses taught online or as a hybrid.

The Fall enrollment increase follows a trend that began this past spring with an 8-percent jump in enrollment. DACC's summer enrollment rose by 16 percent.

President Nacco points out that the DACC Foundation has once again played a major role in supporting enrollment growth. "Through the efforts of the Foundation Board, Executive Director Tonya Hill, and hundreds of local donors, for the third year in a row, every student who applied for scholarship assistance received it. This year, the Foundation has awarded more than 760 scholarships, and for the first time ever, the total has passed \$1 million—which would've seemed impossible when Tonya Hill joined the Foundation five years ago."



**TRIO Scholarship Recipients** 

### 07 | DACC Foundation Friends Honors & Memorials (10-01-22 to 10-15-23)

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### New Funds Established 2022-2023

We are grateful for these new scholarships and new initiative funds established in the past year. We offer heartfelt thanks to our new donors.

- Cannon/Black Brothers Scholarship
- Gene and Betty Carlton Scholarship
- Corvette Cruisers of Illinois Scholarship
- Executive Club of Danville Scholarship
- Charles "Chuck" B. Hooton Memorial Scholarship
- George William James Memorial Scholarship
- Student Association of Writers and Writing Programs Scholarship
- Mary S. "Mimi" Skinner Nursing Program Director Scholarship
- Mark and Carl Van Doren Scholarship

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**Cheryl Vergin** William and Nancy Keller

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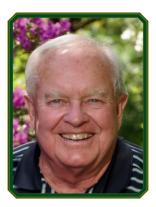
**Colton John Wright** John Bowers

### We Remember...

The DACC Foundation Board of Directors sadly said a final farewell to two dedicated supporters in 2023, Board Director Vickie J. Miller, and Director Emeritus W. John Shane.



"Those who touch our lives, stay in our hearts forever."



W. John Shane 1942-2023 DACC Foundation Director Emeritus

Vickie J. Miller 1950-2023 DACC Foundation Board of Directors

### DACC FOUNDATION FINANCIALS

(Audited financial statements as of June 30, 2023)

Assets	
Cash	\$ 2,761,457
Investments	15,473,184
Beneficial interest in trust	1,331,922
Land held for investment	2,771,881
Other Assets	63,632
Total	\$22,402,076
Foundation Revenues and Disbursements	
Support and Revenue	
Unrestricted Gifts	\$ 13,467
Temporarily Restricted Gifts	476,451
Endowment Gifts	381,896
Investment Income/(Loss)	1,646,607
Other Income	76,991
Total	\$ 2,595,412
Disbursements	
Scholarships and Grants	\$ 1,294,248
General and Administrative	198,556
Fundraising	89,694
Total	\$ 1,582,498

Note: Scholarships and Grants are 81.8% of all expenses

# 11 | DACC Foundation Friends Cumulative Donor Listing (Through 10-15-23)

Thank you to the many donors who provide hope to students and see dreams realized. With your continued support, we are building a stronger community through the gift of Education.

#### Achievement \$1,000,000 +

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DACC and the Old National Bank Foundation held a "Big Check" ceremony to commemorate Old National's \$200,000 grant to support DACC's Middle College program. Shown here are the Old National Bank Foundation's Amber Holle, Denise Crowder, Diana Wilczynski, Matt Smiley, OJ Harrison, Robert Smith, Lesly Flores, Dan Callahan, and Diane Hyatt. From DACC are DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill, Adult Education Dean Terry Goodwin, and Middle College Director Judy Bowie.

### OLD NATIONAL BANK DONATES \$200,000 TO DACC

The Old National Bank Foundation awarded a \$200,000 grant to the Danville Area Community College Foundation to advance the success of the Middle College program as well as the College's associate-degree courses at the Danville Correctional Center. The grant will distribute \$50,000 a year over the next four years to enable DACC to boost enrollment and support services for both programs.

DACC's Middle College partners with regional school districts as a high-school dropout-prevention program. As Dean Terry Goodwin says, "The goal of Middle College is to provide a pathway to a high-school diploma for students who are at risk of dropping out."

Since its inception in 2009, DACC's Middle College has enrolled 525 high-school students and has an 80 percent graduation rate over the past 15 years. The Old National grant will help DACC boost Middle College enrollment to nearly 100 students per semester.

Another goal is to encourage Middle College students to attend DACC or other colleges once they receive a high-school diploma. DACC offers a \$1,000 annual scholarship for Middle College graduates who continue at DACC in a College program.

As for the Danville Correctional Center, DACC offers general-education courses leading to associate degrees for individuals who are within two years of being released. Graduates can then transfer seamlessly to a bachelor's program that Eastern Illinois University offers. This past spring, enrollment in these DACC classes more than doubled to nearly 80, while almost 50 more of these incarcerated men are on a waiting list. Says Mr. Goodwin, "The Old National grant will help as many as 200 of these individuals earn a college degree and a chance for a better life after they're released."

DACC recently hired Judy Bowie as the director for both Middle College and the Department of Corrections programs. Grant funds from Old National will partially fund the director position, which is responsible for expanding enrollment for both Middle College and the DOC and for ensuring that every student receives personalized case management, tutoring, advising, and career development.

Ms. Bowie points out that both Middle College and the DOC programs typically serve people in low socioeconomic status. She says, "The average household income for our Middle College students' families is \$20,000 per year, which is below the poverty level."

Old National Bank Foundation President Amy Casavant informed the College of the award in a recent letter to DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill. Ms. Casavant says, "The Old National Bank Foundation is proud to invest in an organization like DACC, which works with measurable outcomes to strengthen our community. Both the Middle College program and DACC's educational support for the Department of Corrections are transforming the quality of life for students and for the community as a whole."

# Appreciation Event Showers Donors with Love

October 20, 2023 was a night of celebration at the DACC Foundation Donor Reception held in Clock Tower.

This special evening honored and gave thanks to the incredible individuals who support the mission of empowering students to achieve their educational dreams. The event kicked off with a culinary extravaganza, showcasing the talents of DACC's very own culinary students. An array of mouthwatering dishes was prepared with passion and precision, truly embodying the excellence and creativity of the culinary arts program.

As Foundation and College faculty and staff gathered to express their gratitude, donors also had the opportunity to explore the remarkable achievements of students. Donors were able to tour the building and witnessed the state-of-the-art facility, including the production studio, e-sports gaming lab, and art spaces. Foundation Director Tonya Hill said, "We believed that our donors should get to witness firsthand the impact of their generosity, and we were excited to show them the incredible opportunities their support has created."

Additionally, in recognition of donors' unwavering dedication, the Foundation unveiled the Coffee Connection Cart in the Library. Student baristas offered delicious coffees and a selection of desserts prepared by DACC's talented culinary students. The coffee connection cart was made possible thanks to the Dorothy Duley and the A.L. Webster Foundation Endowed Chairs and Dr. Jonathon Wade, Professor of Behavioral Sciences, Liberal Arts. The Cart fosters conversation between students in a relaxed atmosphere and allows open conversation.

"We cannot stress enough how essential our donors are and how they continue to shape the future of DACC and its students," stated Ms. Hill. "The generosity enables us to provide students with the support they need to thrive and succeed in their educational journey. The celebration is a small token of our appreciation for their profound impact and unwavering commitment to making a difference within our community. This was a celebration for those who give with heart and continue forging a brighter future for our students."



Culinary Students created and served treats for the donors.

Professor Todd Flessner and Dean Terri Cummings with Mick Jaguar.

DACC's Provost Dr. Carl Bridges chats with retired Nursing Director, Mimi Skinner.

### More Scenes from Donor Appreciation

DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill with Foundation Board members Lois Wise and Gary Resh.

Terry Harby, Dave Harby, Dr. Ronald Serfoss, Susie Serfoss, Glenda Kietzmann, and Patricia Cheney enjoy themselves at dinner. <image>

DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill with former Foundation Board member Fred Faulstich and Mick Jaguar.

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## Hoopeston's Higher Learning Center Receives New Smart Desks



New Smart desks at Hoopeston Higher Learning Center (Left)

Donor Wall at HHLC (middle)

Students outside HHLC (below)

Thanks to the John P. Cadle Foundation and donors of the Hoopeston Higher Learning Center Activity Fund, the DACC Hoopeston Higher Learning Center was able to purchase 12 new Smart Computer Desks. The new Smart Computer Desks will allow the ability to flip the monitors downward to lay flat and create a smooth table surface while hiding the CPU's and wires. The Hoopeston Higher Learning Center provides higher educational offerings to the people of Alvin, Armstrong, East Lynn, Henning, Hoopeston, Milford, Potomac, Rankin, Rossville and Wellington.

The DACC Hoopeston Higher Learning Center provides general education courses, including college transfer and career/technical courses. The HHLC also provides easy access to area high school students who would like to take Dual Enrollment courses, allowing them to earn college credits while still in high school. CNA classes are offered for high school students as a part of College Express, and also for adult students. The center also offers GED classes and English as a Second Language classes, both of which utilize computer programs as part of their learning process. The HHLC administers the Illinois Nurse Aide Competency exam which is a computer based examination in addition to placement testing which is also computer based. Contracted Corporate and Business training programs are also offered. The computer lab is central to the educational opportunities offered at the HHLC, making it our most highly utilized classroom.



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## **DACC Foundation Scholarships 2024–2025**

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All applications must be submitted electronically no later than May 1, 2024.

The Scholarship application may be found at: www.dacc.edu/foundation. Click on the DACC Scholarships button to be taken to the online application.



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