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**INFORMATION ABOUT OUR 2011
SUMMER ADVENTURE ACADEMIES INSIDE!**

program key

ACR | Automotive Collision Repair Technology

AMT | Automotive Maintenance Technology

AFM | Automotive Fleet Management

ART | Architectural Technology

BSAM | Bachelor of Science in Applied Management

BSAT | Bachelor of Science in Architectural Technology

CRP | Carpentry and Building Construction

CST | Control Systems Technology

EEL | Electrical Technology

EAT | Electrical Automation Technology

ECDM | Electrical Construction Design and Management

ESDT | Electrical Systems Design Technology

HPRT | High Performance Racing Technology

FWL | Fabrication and Welding Technology

HVACR | Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology

INT | Industrial Technology

IT | Information Technology

IWT | Internet and Web-based Technology

PLT | Plumbing Technology

PMT | Precision Machining Technology

SEG | Solar Energy Systems and Green Technology





Stan Shoun, president

note from the president

What an exciting year we have had at Ranken! We just finished the 2010/2011 school year and had the privilege to watch more than 560 students graduate and head out into the workforce. This was the biggest class in Ranken's history and we hope to only keep watching those numbers grow.

We also just recently held our annual Employee Appreciation Day where we take the opportunity to thank all of our employees for their dedication and hard work and also recognize and honor employees who have reached a milestone. Twenty employees were celebrating five years of service, eight were celebrating 10 years, five were celebrating 15 years, one celebrated 25 years and Paul Mueller from HVACR is celebrating 40 years of service at Ranken! Our employees are truly invested in what we are doing here and it shows by their long-term commitment.

We are also very excited to be starting on the first phase of renovations to the Mary Ann Lee Technology Center. Thanks to donations from Mary Ann Lee and the Jack Taylor family, we were able to move ahead with plans that will add more classroom space for our growing student body. We are working with a great team of architects and contractors and hope to have phase one completed by the start of the fall semester.

In April, 22 of our talented students had the opportunity to compete in the Missouri State SkillsUSA competition held in Linn, Mo. We are so proud of their accomplishments and will now be sending four of those students to Kansas City, Mo. to compete in the National competition at the end of June.

As this school year wraps up, we are already looking toward and planning for next year. With the opening of Walker Hall, we are recruiting from areas further away such as Chicago, Kansas City, Northern Arkansas and Western Kentucky. We also continue to look for educational "pipeline" opportunities such as our dual enrollment program with St. Louis Public Schools and our Summer Adventure Academies which will be held two weeks in July: one week for middle schoolers and one week for high schoolers. These camps are a great way to expose kids and teens to technical education and give them the opportunity to see first-hand where a job in these growing fields can take them.

None of this would be possible without the continued support of our alumni, donors and friends. We can't thank you enough and as, always, hope to see you on campus in the near future!

Ranken Graduates Largest Class In Its Long History

On Saturday, May 14 Ranken held its 2011 Commencement Ceremony at Chaifetz Arena on the campus of Saint Louis University. This year's graduating class was the largest in the College's history, with 991 students eligible to graduate and over 560 students participating in the ceremony.

The keynote speaker for the event was Congressman William Lacy Clay, the Missouri State Congressman for the First District. Congressman Clay is a native of St. Louis and has been a long-time supporter of Ranken.



Photo: Christian Ketchum (CST 2011) who performed the invocation (left) stands with LaTrina Rogers, hall manager of Walker Hall.

The David Ranken, Jr. award was presented to graduating Automotive Maintenance student Michael Kinder. Kinder graduated with a 4.0 GPA and an "Exceeds Expectations" in work ethic in all four semesters. He served as a student worker in the Automotive department and often helped with evening school classes. Kinder plans to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Automotive Technology at Southern Illinois University

at Carbondale and hopes to one day become an automotive instructor.

Prior to the Commencement Ceremony, the Alumni Association held an anniversary celebration to honor Ranken graduates who were celebrating their 25, 50 and 75 year graduation anniversaries. Four alumni celebrated their silver anniversary (25 years), seven celebrated their golden anniversary (50 years) and two celebrated their diamond anniversary (75 years). Recipients were given a certificate commemorating their graduation and recognized with a pin marking the milestone.

Also during the anniversary celebration, two Ranken alumni were acknowledged for their achievements in their profession; their involvement in their community through volunteer service; and their contributions to the College. These annual awards honor Ranken graduates who through their character, leadership, service and financial support sustain the reputation of David Ranken, Jr. Congratulations to Thomas E. Wood (Carpentry 1955) and Jeffery R. Scott (Industrial Maintenance 2006) who were presented with the 2011 Distinguished Alumni Awards.

Mary Ann Lee Technology Center Project Team Has Strong Ranken Connection

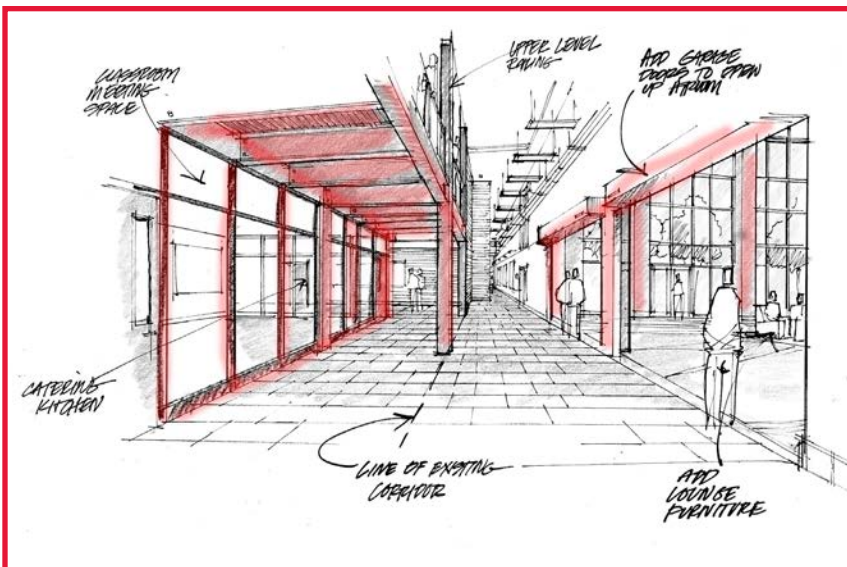
Thanks to major donations from Jack Taylor and Mary Ann Lee, the Mary Ann Lee Technology Center, located at Page and Newstead, will undergo completion and a remodel. Currently the building houses the High Performance Racing Technology program, the Industrial Technology program, the new Fabrication and Welding Technology lab and a large “flex space.”

At the beginning of the year, open forums were held to inform employees of the project and to allow input of what should be included in the new space. Administration used that information to interview and select a contractor and an architect. HBD was selected as the project contractor and Jim Hershfelt was selected as the site superintendent. Hershfelt is a Ranken graduate and an experienced supervisor who has been with HBD for 11 years. The architect chosen was Rebecca Kleba of Chiodini Associates who is a 1995 Ranken graduate. The project manager will be Adam Chamberlain, whose son graduated from Ranken in May. Chamberlain has been very happy with his son's experience at the College and specifically requested to be involved in this project.

The project will be completed in two phases. The first phase will include 9,600 square feet of new classroom space and 4,600 square feet of flex space. Phase one also includes bathrooms and a kitchen staging area for events held in the atrium.

Plans for the second phase include a new auditorium, new entrance and additional parking. Phase one is scheduled to be completed by the start of the fall 2011 semester. Phase two will start once funding is secured.

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8th Annual Car Show and Alumni Reunion Sees Record Numbers

Ranken's 8th Annual Car Show and Alumni Reunion held on Sunday, April 17 was a big success! The beautiful weather only helped attendance with 352 registered vehicles and an estimated 1,500 guests in attendance.

Voting was done a little differently this year with a "Participant's Choice" awarded in the 17 different classes. Rather than separate judges, each registrant received a ballot and had the opportunity to vote for their favorite vehicle in each class. Congratulations to our winners!

Class	Vehicle	Owner
1. Original, 1900-1948	1912 Ford Model T	Ryan Brazier, Florissant, MO
2. Original, 1949-1965	1958 Chevy Impala	Bob Scott, St. Louis, MO
3. Original, 1966-1975	1969 Ford Mustang Mach 1	Sean Ziolo, Kansas City, KS
4. Original 1976-1995	1984 Oldsmobile Hurst	Kevin & Robin Meyer, Farmington, MO
5. Original 1996-2002	1999 Plymouth Prowler	Jerry Sonderman, Hazelwood, MO
6. Original 2003-present	2008 Dodge Challenger	Nick Sciaratta, O'Fallon, MO
7. Street Rod, 1948 or older	1928 Ford 2-door sedan	Paul Vandeven, St. Louis, MO
8. Modified Cars, 1949-1975	1970 Plymouth Cuda	Donald Gierer, Villa Ridge, MO
9. Modified Cars, 1976-present	2003 Chevy Monte Carlo	Ernie Blackburn, Florissant, MO
10. Street Machine, 1949-1975	1962 Chevy Corvette	Rich & Helen Hamlyn, Imperial, MO
11. Street Machine, 1976-present	1995 Chevy Impala	Kirk & Pam Stump, Rolla, MO
12. Trucks, SUVs	2006 Ford F650	Michael Lurebach, Chesterfield, MO
13. Imports, 2000 and prior	1994 Ferrari 349 Spider	Jeff Lallo, Edwardsville, IL
14. Imports, 2001-present	2005 Subaru WRX	Rick Savage, Pevely, MO
15. Sport Compacts	1957 VW Bug	Frank Ramaesiri, Chesterfield, MO

16. Under Construction	1934 Chevy	Larry Reifsteck, Kirkwood, MO
17. Special Interest	1965 Pontiac Bonneville	Kiera Vaughn, St. Louis, MO
18. Student's Choice	1969 Plymouth Road Runner	Rick Pennycook, St. Louis, MO

During the car show, all Ranken alumni were invited to have lunch together under the show tent. Congratulations to the following alumni who received awards:

- Conrad Phillip, Oldest alumni in attendance (39 and holding!)
- John Schifko, Longest years married (58!)
- Tom Tomasek, Oldest car on display (1930 Ford)
- Daniel Kirby, Most miles driven to the show

Congratulations to the Automotive Maintenance department for taking the "bragging rights" trophy from Auto Collision for the most alumni in attendance.

Thank you to all of the vendors who attended or supported this year's show:

» Great Clips in Collinsville, IL	» Akzo Nobel
» 3M Automotive in St. Louis	» Gateway Grizzlies in Sauget, IL
» Reliance Automotive in St. Louis	» Snap On Tools
» LKQ/Keystone in Caseyville, IL	» Kemp Auto Museum in Chesterfield, MO
» Gateway Classic Cars in Fairmont City, IL	» Kenny Wallace Fan Club



Photo: The Registration Trailer was a busy place with 352 vehicles registering for the 2011 Car Show.

Car Show (continued)

» Mequiar's Inc. out of Irving, CA	» Meramec Lakes Golf Course in St. Clair, MO
» Wilke Window & Door in Shiloh, IL	» St. Louis CARSTAR Business Group
» AASP-Missouri in St. Louis	» Bliss Bake Shoppe in Brussels, IL
» Automotive Technology, Inc. in St. Louis	Metro Vocational Technical Assistance Program (MVTAP)
» Marketing department/Ranken	» ACR department/Ranken
» Trio Student Support Services/Ranken	» Bookstore/Ranken
» Dave Graf, ART instructor/Ranken	» Ranken Alumni/Staff/Students
» Arch Rival Roller Derby Girls	» Columbia Kiwanis
» St. Louis Sno Sled	» Washington Kettle Corn

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Photo: Development staff members, Tim Willard (left) and Tony Pisciotta help greet guests at the Car Show.

To check out more photos of the car show and past events, visit our Flickr page at www.flickr.com/photos/rankentech/sets/72157626533733436/with/5635141591/



Photo: 1912 Ford Model T which won the Participant's Choice in the Original, 1900-1948 class



Photo: John Wood (left) presents the Participant's Choice trophy in the Sport Compacts category to Frank Ramaesiri of Chesterfield, MO

Information Technology Welcomes Cisco VP



On Wednesday, April 6, Howard Charney, senior vice president and member of Cisco's Office of the President and Executive Staff visited Ranken's Information Technology program. Charney reports directly to Cisco CEO, John Chambers.

Charney was one of the four founders of 3Com Corporation and the founder of Grand Junction Networks. Grand Junction Networks is credited for inventing Fast Ethernet and switching. These technologies have been instrumental to the development of the internet as we know it today. In 1995 Grand Junction Networks was purchased by Cisco.

Charney toured the IT classrooms and spoke to the students about his experiences as an engineer and as the senior vice president of Cisco. He took questions from students which ranged from his personal life to new technologies that we are going to see in the near future.

"Mr. Charney's visit was a great experience for our students," said IT instructor Alan Poettker. "For me it was really interesting to hear him talk about people we read about in our IT books as his personal friends. We were all really excited and grateful to have had him on campus."

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Automotive Holds ASEP Graduation



Photo: Joe Jackson, Automotive instructor (left) presents Magamet Barakhayev with a certificate of completion

On Wednesday, May 18, the Automotive department held a graduation ceremony for 12 students who went through the General Motors (GM) Automotive Service Educational Program (ASEP) program.

The event, which was held at Syberg's, included keynote speaker, Jeff Thompson who is the General Motors regional service technical manager for the south central region. Also in attendance from General Motors was Brian Johnson, regional training manager for the south central region and David Rubenstein, the Automotive department's GM representative. In attendance from Ranken was Joe Jackson, Ron Raines, Dan Kania and Al Gentles from the automotive program as well as Stan Shoun, Don Pohl and Pat Capps.

GM has specific technician training initiatives to assist dealers in developing their next generation of technicians. GM ASEP offers training for technically inclined students pursuing a career in servicing and maintaining GM vehicles. The program is a joint effort between GM, GM dealers and selected colleges across the United States and Canada. GM ASEP teaches exclusively on current GM products and allows students to alternate between attending college and working at a sponsoring GM dealership for two years.

CAMPUS

Alderwoman Marlene Davis



Photo: Ranken's president Stan Shoun (right) presents Alderwoman Davis with a \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to a deserving student in her ward.

In mid-March, Marlene Davis, alderwoman for the 19th ward, visited campus.

Davis has been a big supporter of the College, especially the Ranken Community Development (RCDC) program which has built homes in her district. The 19th ward begins at Page and Newstead and extends east of campus to I-44 at Grand (follow this link for a map and additional information: <http://stlc.in.missouri.org/alderman/alderman.cfm?ward=19>).

During her visit, Davis had lunch with John Wood, vice president for student success and Stan Shoun, president. She was updated on campus changes and growth and was

presented with a \$1,000 scholarship that she will award to a deserving high school student in the 19th ward.

Kwame President Tony Thompson



Pictured L-R: Ranken's president Stan Shoun; Tony Thompson, president and CEO of Kwame Building Group and Ken Meyer, Ranken's director of annual giving.

On Thursday, June 2, Ranken invited Tony Thompson, president & CEO of Kwame Building Group to campus for a tour and lunch. The Kwame Foundation recently completed a \$15,000 pledge for the construction of Walker Hall. The Foundation also partnered with RCDC to build a home this past year. Mr. Thompson had not been to campus in several years and was impressed with the changes and improvements.

Founded in 1991, Kwame is a construction management company that employs 75 construction managers, engineers, architects and administrative staff and manages more than \$250 million of construction annually.

VISITORS

Missouri Senator Robin Wright-Jones



Pictured L-R: Ken Meyer, Ranken's director of annual giving, Senator Robin Wright-Jones and Ranken president, Stan Shoun.

Missouri State Senator, from the 5th District, Robin Wright-Jones visited campus on Friday, April 1 during the students' spring break. This was her first visit to campus so after lunch with members of the Development staff she did a full campus tour. Her district is located in St. Louis City but campus has not yet expanded into her district.

Senator Wright-Jones was very engaged and asked a lot of questions about Ranken's history, ties to St. Louis Public Schools, student population and plans for growth. She plans to promote

Ranken's Summer Adventure Academy in her on-line newsletter. She also hopes to introduce the campus to additional elected officials and to champion our cause to the Missouri Department of Economic Development.

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SkillsUSA State Championship Competition Results

Congratulations to all of our Ranken students who competed in the Missouri SkillsUSA competition during the first weekend in April at Linn State in Linn, Mo. All of the first place finishers (in bold) will move on to the National competition held in Kansas City, Mo. on June 22-23.

Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration

» Kevin Mitchell 3rd place

Automated Manufacturing (team competition)

» Calvin Helmcamp, Jake Seibert and Nathan Wolf 3rd place

» Johnathon Vanover, Blake Poertner and Patrick Murphy 4th place

Precision Machining Technology

» Drew Kesel 2nd place

» Nathan Mueller 3rd place

Welding

» Nathan Beichler 5th place

» Jacob Nenninger 6th place

Automotive Refinishing Technology

» Jacob Cullen 3rd place

» Nicholas Knoshaug 5th place

Automotive Service Technology

» **Josh Myers** 1st place

» Kevin Crum 7th place



Photo: A student competes in the Automotive Collision portion of the district competition.

Carpentry

- » Bryan Faust 1st place
- » Joseph Len 4th place

CNC Milling Technology

- » Matt Warnecke 1st place

CNC Turning Technology

- » Ethan Schmierbach 1st place
- » Andy Schaefer 2nd place

Collision Repair Technology

- » Andrew Haare 11th place
- » Brandon Emerson 13th place

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Photo: Carpentry department head, Bryan Hicklin (left) and Ranken's president, Stan Shoun (right) present Bryan Faust (center) with a DeWalt drill to congratulate him on his first place finish at the State competition.



Photo: Students compete in the Architectural Drafting portion of the district championship.

Ranken and bioMerieux Celebrate Milestone

Last summer Ranken entered into an education and manufacturing partnership with bioMerieux to manufacture a Smart Carrier Station (SCS). The partnership not only offers students a job opportunity on campus but also prevented the loss of jobs from the U.S. to Asia. The partnership came about when bioMerieux faced a decision to consider outsourcing the manufacture of the SCS overseas. Stan Shoun, president of Ranken Technical College, asked the company to consider an alternative approach and proposed that the product could be manufactured at Ranken by student workers. The company agreed so Ranken converted space in the Mary Ann Lee Technology Center into a complete off-site work cell and created the new Education and Manufacturing Cooperative department. The department is under the charge of Vice President for Education, Don Pohl and the bioMerieux project is being led by two faculty members, Vince Holtmann and John Baima.

Student workers are charged with the responsibility for inspection of parts, complete assembly of the product and testing of functions for the electrical and mechanical components to meet quality standards and the production schedule. The students are also responsible for database tracking of the warehouse inventory. In addition to receiving pay as a part-time employee, students also receive Workforce Education college credits for the educational training.



Photo: Delivery of the 1,000th Smart Carrier Station made by Ranken students. L-R: Mike Patterson, bioMerieux instrument and warehouse group lead; Vince Holtmann, faculty project manager; Kyle Kittrell, student worker and Jacob Stack, student worker

At the end of May, the department celebrated the delivery of its 1,000th SCS unit! Congratulations to Vince Holtmann, John Baima and all of the student workers who continue to make this partnership a success.

To help celebrate the milestone, on the evening of Tuesday, May 24, two representatives from bioMerieux came to campus to visit the off-site work cell. Grace Bommarito-May, bioMerieux's purchasing

director located in St. Louis, brought Emeline Gasiglia, the company's corporate vice president for global purchasing who was visiting from France.

The two were greeted by Crystal Herron, Ranken's dean of academic affairs, Don Pohl, vice president for education and Vince Holtmann, faculty project manager. The group toured the current work-cell site



Pictured L-R: Crystal Herron, dean of academic affairs; Don Pohl, vice president for education; Grace Bommarito-May, bioMérieux Inc., purchasing director; Emeline Gasiglia, bioMérieux corporate vice president for global purchasing and Vince Holtmann, faculty project manager.

as well as the JM&A Call Center located in the Cook building, Precision Machining Technology (PMT), HVACR and some other areas of campus. Gasiglia, who is a mechanical engineer, was very impressed with the PMT shop and commented that it reminded her of the shop she trained in while in college.

Gasiglia and Bommarito-May also had the opportunity to view the area in the Mary Ann Lee Technology Center (the old

Carpentry shop) which is slated to be the new home of the work site.

"Because of the success we have had manufacturing the Smart Carrier Systems, bioMérieux has provided us the opportunity to take on five new subassemblies," said Holtmann. "The new location, which is about 2,200 square feet will be better able to accommodate the expansion."

The new subassemblies will include power supplies used on the BacT which is an automated microbial detection system and Vitek 2 which is microbial identification system. The new projects will be added one at a time over the summer beginning with one of the BacT power supplies added on June 6. Two of the student employees are currently training at bioMérieux to prepare for transfer of manufacturing these units at Ranken.

"Ms. Gasiglia was very happy with our site and the progress we have made," said Pohl. "The company was initially worried that an off-site work cell wouldn't be efficient, but she said our response has exceeded their expectations. This is a mutually beneficial partnership and we are really excited to be able to continue to work with bioMérieux."

bioMérieux is a multinational biotechnology company headquartered in France that produces a wide range of electronic medical devices. bioMérieux has an instrumentation manufacturing facility located in Hazelwood, Mo.

TRiO Holds 6th Annual Achievement Ceremony



Photo: ESĐT graduate, Victor Pope, won this year's TRiO Student of the Year award.

On Thursday, April 21 TRiO/Student Support Services (SSS) hosted its 6th Annual Achievement Ceremony. This event was open to all TRiO/SSS students and recognized graduates, high achievers and scholarship recipients.

Each year SSS brings in a guest speaker to motivate and encourage graduates and continuing students. This year's speaker was Mr. DeMarco Culberson, a 2007 Electrical Automation Technology graduate who is currently an electrician for the City of St. Louis. Other guests who addressed the students were Crystal Herron, dean of academic affairs and John Wood, vice president for student success.

Annually, TRiO/SSS also recognizes one outstanding faculty member and student and name them Instructor and Student of the Year. The instructor of the year is nominated by students and TRiO/SSS staff. This is someone who has gone above and beyond to contribute to the success of TRiO/SSS students. This year's recipient of the Instructor of the Year was Mr. Roy Gillespie from the Electrical Automation Technology Department. Roy received a certificate and a TRiO/SSS goodie bag. The following instructors received honorable mention certificates: Charles Corrigan, IT; Pat Duchinsky, IT; Mark Malcinski, EAT; Jeff Scott, INT and Steve Swenson, EAT.

The Student of the Year is selected from the group of previous Student of the Month recipients. Students are selected based on being an active TRiO participant AND at least one of the following:

- High academic achievement
- Significant improvement in grades
- Impeccable character
- School, community or church involvement
- Community service
- Leadership
- School, academic, athletic or community accomplishment
- Outstanding behavior
- Perfect attendance
- Positive attitude towards others and/or learning
- Overcoming adversity

This year's recipient was **Victor Pope**, a 2011 ESĐT graduate. Victor also received a certificate and TRiO/SSS goodie bag which included items to help keep him warm during the mean Chicago winters as he was recently hired to work at Sargent and Lundy, LLC in Chicago, IL. During his time at Ranken, Victor has worked as a tutor in the Student Achievement Center, a Student Ambassador, served as a peer mentor for various TRiO/SSS workshops and completed TRiO's Emerging Leader's Institute.

Counselors Successful in Outlying Areas

Over the past two years, the Admissions office has expanded their recruitment area significantly by adding counselors in Chicago and Kansas City. Current counselors have also been recruiting further out by visiting schools in Kentucky, Indiana, Arkansas and Tennessee. The opening of Walker Hall in 2009 has only supported these efforts with the opportunity to live on campus now available.

Several schools from our expanded recruitment area came to visit campus during the month of May:

- Fourteen students from East High School in the Kansas City area traveled in for a half-day visit to Ranken. The students stayed in Walker Hall the night before to get a feel for dorm life. Residents entertained them by planning a karaoke night that also included pizza and a movie. The next morning they met with Admissions to learn more about the College and programs offered then took a tour through the Automotive, Information Technology and Construction divisions. The group was treated to lunch in the dining hall then headed back to Kansas City.
- On Friday, April 29, Southwest Prep Academy from Memphis, Tennessee brought 13 students and 7 counselors/teachers to campus. "The tour went really well," said Abe Brummett, admissions counselor. "Several of the students were really excited that a school like Ranken even existed. The chaperones were very impressed as well." Seven of the students filled out applications at the end of the tour. Jeff Wilkens, who recruits in this area, plans to follow up with more presentations in that area next year.
- Fourteen students and three chaperones from Gage Park High School in the Chicago area rode the Amtrak train to St. Louis on May 10-11 to visit Ranken. The group stayed in the dorms and took a tour of the Electrical areas, Industrial Technology and Precision Machining. The group also participated in a Shadow-a-Tech day in the Automotive division.

"It's really exciting to see our efforts in these outlying areas paying off," said Mike Hawley, director of Admissions. "It can be really difficult to break out into new territory where schools and students have never even heard your name. Ranken has an outstanding reputation in the St. Louis Metro Area, now our counselors are working hard to build that reputation in their expanded territories."

For more information on our Admissions counselors and their territories, visit www.ranken.edu/admissions/how-apply/make-appointment/admissions-staff.

Ranken Archives Continue to Grow

In February, Ranken contracted with archivist, Diane Everman, PhD to organize, preserve and catalog the many historical documents, publications, photographs and articles that have been collected over the years.

"Diane has done a great deal of work over these past few months," said Barb Edwards, Ranken's library resource center director. "When we first contracted with her we had a good size collection of items to be properly archived. Once we sent out the request to the College to send us historical items that may be in other offices, the collection more than doubled. We were really excited about all of the new items but very overwhelmed."

Everman's contract was up at the end of May and she will be

participating in an archeological dig in Israel. With many items left to archive, the College has created a new Archives Committee. Members include Edwards, Missy Borchardt (ART), Tom Ely (PMT), and Jean Endres (Student Success). Everman is currently training the committee on proper archival procedures.

"Diane is not only training us on how to properly archive the items we have, but also the process of accepting new items and how to stay on top of the



Pictured L-R: Tom Ely, PMT department head; Diane Everman, archivist; Barb Edwards, director of Library Resource Center; Missy Borchardt, Architecture instructor and Jean Endres, administrative assistant for Student Success office.

project," said Edwards.

The Archive Committee will be in charge of Ranken's historical collections and archive management. If you have items that you would like to donate to the Ranken Archives, please contact Barb Edwards at (314) 286-4870.

Ranken has applied for a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities which would provide federal funding for assistance in preserving the College's archives. If Ranken is awarded the grant, Everman would return to assist with the completion of the project. Future plans for the archives include digitizing the entire collection, particularly since many of the documents are in a fragile condition. Items could then be viewed as electronic files, while preserving the original documents.

DONATIONS

Welding Program Receives Donation from Tubular Steel



Tubular Steel recently donated steel to the Fabrication and Welding Technology program and came to campus to tour the state-of-the art welding lab. Thank you to INT instructor, Mark Malcinski who was instrumental in securing the gift.

Tubular Steel is a leading national distributor of carbon, alloy and stainless steel pipe, tubing and bar products.

Pictured L-R: Terry Tipler, product manager for Tubular Steel, Mark Malcinski, INT instructor and John Baima, INT instructor

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Behlman Builders Donates Generously to Carpentry Program



Pictured L-R: Bob Behlman; Greg Behlman; Dave Behlman; Bryan Hicklin, Carpentry department head; James McNichols, Carpentry instructor and Jeff Bosick, Carpentry instructor.

Ranken Carpentry instructors and Ken Meyer, director of annual giving, recently visited Behlman Builders to receive a gift of construction equipment and supplies that the company wanted to donate to the College's Carpentry department.

The company is moving from its location in Chesterfield Valley to Cottleville in St. Charles County. In order to have less to move, they are reducing equipment and construction supplies from their warehouse. Behlman Builders has been a long-time supporter of Ranken as a donor and

often hires Carpentry graduates.

"Their donation was more than we could have imagined," said Meyer. "The RCDC truck was filled to the top and we also filled a flatbed trailer and another pick up truck."

Donated items included power saws, nail guns, a table saw, miter saw, multiple boxes of various sized nails, fasteners and screws, electric cords, caulk, oil, air hoses and assorted oak and ash trim.

"We can't thank them enough for this donation," said Bryan Hicklin, Carpentry department head. "These are all items that our students use every day to learn their trade and build the homes for RCDC."

S-STEM Students Have a Busy Year

In 2009, Ranken received a four-year \$582,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to award scholarships to students majoring in Architecture, Information Technology, Precision Machining or Industrial Technology. The grant also provides funding to develop a special enhanced program to help students during their studies at Ranken and prepare them to enter these high-tech fields or enroll in advanced degree programs. These include: faculty and peer mentoring, scholar groups, academic advising and assistance, professional development activities and career services and counseling.

The S-STEM faculty advisors kept the students very busy this semester with several programs intended to help their professional development:

- **Trip to Boeing**

Forty-five S-STEM Scholarship recipients and the STEM Principal Investigators visited Boeing's Integrated Defense Systems Campus in Hazelwood, Mo. on Thursday, March 3, 2011. Students and faculty were given the opportunity to take a tour and given an overview of the



Photo: S-STEM students had the opportunity to visit Boeing as part of the career development portion of their scholarship.

company's historical importance in our country's avionics, defense, and aerospace efforts. Teamwork is the theme of this years' outside the classroom experiences for STEM scholars so Boeing executives from each of the four STEM related technical disciplines made presentations on the importance of teamwork to accomplish their objectives for each of their individual divisions. Each Boeing executive touted the excellent work ethic habits of the many Ranken graduates employed by Boeing. The company

employs over 16,500 people in the St. Louis region.

"The Boeing tour was not only a great lesson in teambuilding, it also reaffirmed the philosophy of Ranken," said Jeff Scott, a Ranken INT instructor and faculty advisor with the STEM program. "They emphasized that work ethic values are at the core of any team experience and also commented that it is those work ethic and team attitude traits that add the polish to the great trade skills Ranken students possess upon graduation."

- **Trip to Savvis**

S-STEM students from Information Technology and Architecture visited Savvis' global headquarters in Chesterfield, Mo. on Wednesday, April 13. The group met with Spencer Gohre, senior recruiter and Ben Martin, director of technical operations and attended a 45 minute presentation learning about Savvis and how teamwork is integral to their success. The presentation was followed by a discussion on employment opportunities and program specific tours.

Savvis has been around since 1996 and is a global leader in IT infrastructure services with a platform spanning North America, Europe, and Asia. Savvis is among the best in the industry in delivering IT solutions that enable customers to focus on their core business while Savvis ensures the quality of their IT systems and operations.

- **Teamwork Workshop**

Al Hermann from AAIM Employers' Association met with the S-STEM students on Tuesday, April 19 to discuss "Transitioning into an Existing Work Team". He focused on challenges they may face as they enter into the workforce. Some examples included concerns and difficulties of being a new team member and how to establish yourself with your new supervisor and co-workers.

"This was really helpful," said Bryan Sohn, Architectural Technology student and STEM recipient. "There was a lot of information that I will take with me when I start looking for a job after Ranken."



Photo: Jeff Scott, INT instructor (left) accepts the donation from FOSPA.

On Thursday, March 24, members of the **Facility Operators and Service Provider Association (FOSPA)** visited campus to present a donation of \$500 to be awarded as a scholarship to an Industrial Technology student for the Fall 2011 semester.

FOSPA is a national organization whose Missouri group broke away and formed a chapter of their own. There are approximately 125 members of large companies in the area who are end users and service providers. Some members include UE, Gerber, St. Anthony's, Doll Electric and Sunset Club (see www.fospa.com for entire member list).

Mel Potthast, a 1985 alumnus was the original contact for this group and the driving force for Ranken to receive scholarship money.

Student Government Association Awards 2011 Scholarship

Each year, members of Ranken's Student Government Association (SGA) do fundraisers and work hard to raise money to award a scholarship to one deserving student.

On Tuesday, March 6, SGA president, Victor Townson, presented the \$500 scholarship to Orlando McElrath, a second-semester student in the HVACR program.



Photo: SGA president, Victor Townson (left) presents HVACR student, Orlando McElrath the 2011 SGA Scholarship.

To be eligible to apply for the SGA scholarship, students must be in their first semester at Ranken, demonstrate financial need and submit an essay describing why they are a deserving recipient. All applications are reviewed by the SGA officers and they choose the recipient.

McElrath, a native of St. Louis, was living in California and was laid off from his job. He entered a Regional Occupational Program there where he took some basic heating and cooling classes to try to learn a new trade in order to find a new job. McElrath

moved back to St. Louis after his brother became ill. One day, while at his bedside, McElrath's brother told him that he should think about going back to school to become more competitive in the field. Two days later, his brother passed away. While at the funeral, McElrath remembered what his brother had said and how much it meant to him, so he decided to enroll at Ranken to honor his late brother's wishes.

"Out of all of the applications we received, we felt Orlando demonstrated the greatest need," said Jeremy Sutton, SGA advisor. "And after reading his essay about the path that led him to Ranken, it was an easy decision."

With help from generous donors, Ranken is able to offer students more than 50 scholarship, grant and loan options.

To learn more about your financial options or to get a copy of our scholarship information guide, contact the Financial Aid office at (314) 286-4866.

Student Organizations Announce 2011/2012 Officers

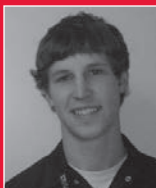
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Student Spotlight



Photo: Ranken's president, Stan Shoun (left) awards student, Rob Cohen with the "Extra Mile Award."

On Tuesday, March 22, a woman was involved in a one-vehicle accident outside of campus on Cook near Newstead. The vehicle flipped upside down and was sitting on its roof with the female victim stuck inside.

A Ranken student, **Rob Cohen (CST/EAT)** was walking through the employee parking lot and heard the crash. "I heard the commotion of the crash, then I could hear the woman screaming," said Cohen. "I knew I had to react."

Cohen climbed one of the concrete pillars and jumped over the fence in order to get to the victim quickly. "She seemed fine

physically, she was just getting really anxious about being upside-down and stuck inside the car," he stated. "I noticed she was moving her arms and legs and appeared to not be hurt so I grabbed her legs and helped her crawl out of the window." The young female driver was transported from the scene and appeared to be okay just shaken up.

On Friday, March 25, Ranken's president, Stan Shoun, presented Cohen with an "Extra Mile Award" for going above and beyond.

"He optimizes what we want our Ranken community to do; help their fellow man," said Shoun. "We wanted to recognize and thank him for his kindness and quick action and if that young lady were here, I'm sure she would too."

If you or your business are interested in offering a scholarship to deserving students at Ranken, please contact our Development office at (314) 286-3674.

Ranken Hosts American Welding Society's Annual Student Night

Each year the local chapter of the American Welding Society (AWS) holds a "Student Night" to recognize outstanding welding students and to promote student involvement in AWS.

Prior to the event AWS invited high schools, colleges and trade union schools from a 50 mile radius to nominate one outstanding student of the year to attend the event.



Photo: American Welding Society president, John Mendoza was the keynote speaker at the recent AWS "Student Night" held at Ranken.

This year's event was held on Wednesday, April 20 and was held in Ranken's new Fabrication and Welding Technology lab located in the Mary Ann Lee Technology Center. Approximately 90 guests attended the event and had the opportunity to hear from keynote speaker and AWS President, John Mendoza. Mendoza is a past District 18 Director, Certified Welding Inspector, Certified Welding Educator, and a Journeyman

welder qualified to ASME Section IX in SMA and GTA welding. He was with CPS Energy for 34 years and is currently with Lone Star Welding in San Antonio, Texas.

Each school introduced their outstanding student and AWS awarded nine scholarships to students from Kaskaskia college, Jefferson College, St. Louis Community College and Ranken Technical College. Photos of each of the outstanding students will be submitted to the AWS Journal for publication.

Student's Photo Published in Hot Rod Magazine

Automotive Maintenance student **Shauna Wollmershauser** recently had one of her photos published in the June 2011 issue of Hot Rod Magazine. Shauna took the photo of a 2010 Chevy Camaro, along with many others, from the pit at Gateway International Raceway last semester. The photo can be found on page 95 of the issue. Shauna recently took photos at Ranken's 8th Annual Car Show so you may see more of her work in the next alumni car show calendar!

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Students' Skills Aid in Training of St. Louis Police Officers

Officer Joan Straughter, a local patrol officer for St. Louis Police district 8, recently approached John Wood, vice president for student success, about the police academy's need for a "fake" U.S. postal box. The academy has a shooting range located in South City at Highway 55 and Gasconade where officers perform training exercises. Currently, the academy is training new and veteran officers on a street scene which includes cars, buildings, trees and lamp posts. The officers run the course to simulate live action such as a shoot out or hostage situation. The street scene was missing a mailbox so teachers and students from Welding and Automotive Collision came together to create a life-like version for the training center.



Photo: Welding student, Will Hutchins (left) and Collision Repair student Clay Williams, built and painted a "fake" mailbox for the St. Louis Police Academy Training Center.

"It's very important for the training of officers that this scene be as realistic as possible," said rangemaster, Richard Long.

"We thought it was really important to have a mailbox on the street scene," said Officer Straughter. "Officers oftentimes make the mistake of hiding behind a

mailbox not realizing that the metal it's made from is not very thick and it's hollow. Bullets penetrate it very easily."

The mailbox was added to the training street scene and will also be used to shoot a training video that will be distributed to other police departments nationwide.

Thank you to Welding instructor, John Baima and welding student, Will Hutchins who built the mailbox according to postal service measurements and specifications and to ACR instructor John Helterbrand and ACR student, Clay Williams who painted the mailbox.

Walker Hall Update



Photo: Walker Hall residents participate in the Bungee Run during the Ranken R.E.D. Event.

Walker Hall has had an excellent year! As we grow, we have increased activities and became more creative. Residents also got more involved and led programs. The 2010-2011 school year has included activities such as a monthly birthday celebration, bible study, karaoke nights, wing meetings and movie nights. Programs and events in Walker Hall focus on the growth of residents and building a community. We always want to have fun and educate as well.

Programs created to promote this philosophy are finance workshops led by St. Louis Community Credit Union, stress management workshop led by a local counseling organization, time management led by students and nutrition workshops led by HopeBuild St. Louis.

We also have lots of fun during our off-campus excursions. Sky Zone was a trip that challenged the physical strength of our residents. The indoor trampoline park provided the ultimate dodge ball game.

The future of Walker Hall is bright and exciting. There will be four resident assistants next year who are creating programs for residents with the hope of greater participation and more involved residents. A few new items that will be added include the "Wal-Mart Wagon", a monthly trip to Wal-Mart and grocery stores for residents who don't have transportation, "The Weekenders", a Saturday outing once per month to a local fun spot such as the Delmar Loop, Forest Park and the Arch. Residents have also expressed an interest of healthy living so "The Walker Workout Warriors" will meet one day a week and all residents will be encouraged to work out by playing sports, weight training, walking, running or yoga.

The team in Residential Life is looking forward to new opportunities to involve residents in all aspects. Their participation builds a strong community and eases the stress that can come with working to obtain the benefit of a Ranken education. Study groups, fun outings, support groups and other

Want to keep up with other activities happening at Walker Hall?

Follow the dormitory hall manager's blog on Ranken's website. In her blog, LaTrina Rogers talks about the daily living of a dormitory resident and posts photos of the fun activities that they participate in. Visit rankentechnicalcollege.typepad.com to follow LaTrina's blog!

You can also follow residents on the Walker Hall Facebook page!



Photo: Walker Hall residents and Information Technology students participated in a LAN party.

activities is all part of the plan.

Make sure to check out the Facebook page and Ranken blog to keep up with Walker Hall. You really don't want to miss the 2011-2012 school year!



Photo: Residents give back to the community by volunteering at the Youth Learning Center.

SPRING 2011 EXCEPTIONAL AMBASSADOR AWARD

At the end of the spring semester, the Student Ambassador program's officer council invited the Ranken community to nominate members of the ambassador program for the Spring 2011 Exceptional Ambassador award. Nominations were based on grades, work ethic, professionalism and an overall positive representation of the College.

The following Student Ambassadors were nominated for the award:

- » Victor Pope (ESDT)
- » Ashleigh Tepen (AMT)
- » Abdullah Maeuzzi (HVACR)
- » Jake Siemer (INT)
- » Sean Haberberger (IT)
- » Matt Rucker (INT)
- » Cole Johnson (IT)
- » Corey Bechtold (EAT)



Congratulations to **Cole Johnson** who was presented with this award! Johnson recently graduated from Ranken's Information Technology program.

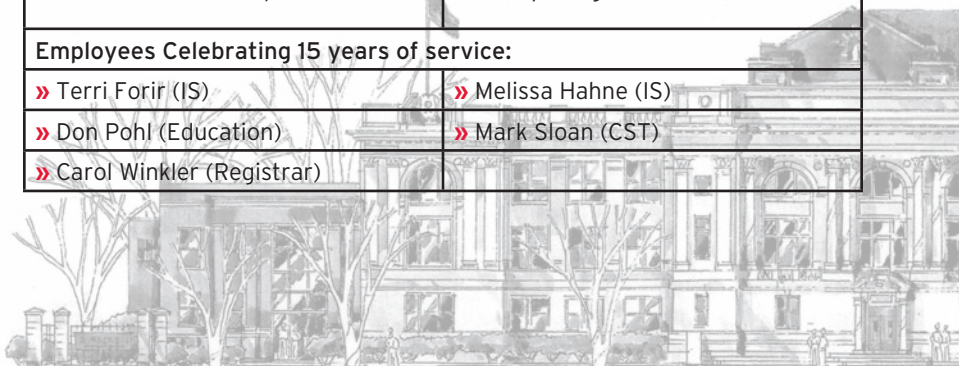
EMPLOYEE

Ranken Holds Employee Appreciation Day

Thursday, May 12 was Employee Appreciation Day at Ranken. The day, which celebrates employees and the end of a successful semester, began with a continental breakfast in Finney lobby. Employees were later treated to lunch served by our administrators and prepared by Fresh Ideas. Following lunch, employees gathered in G108/109 for the awards ceremony.

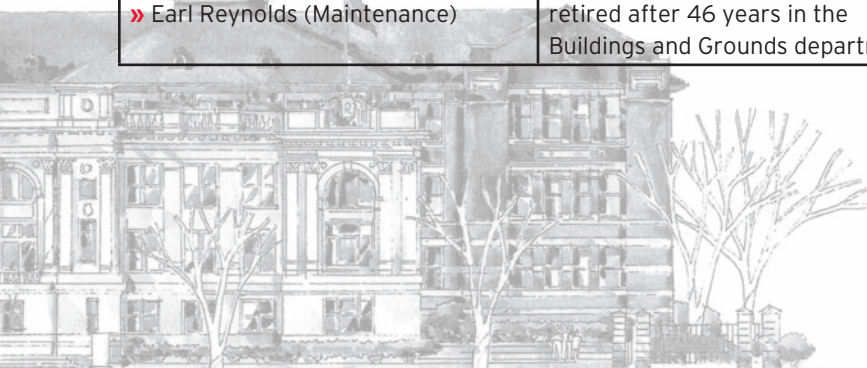
Congratulations to all of the employees who received awards:

Service Awards	
Employees celebrating 5 years of service:	
» Minhaj Ahmed (Gen. Ed.)	» Ron Barbre (Gen. Ed.)
» Ean Bevel (Gen. Ed.)	» Con Christenson (Gen. Ed.)
» Steve Davenport (HPRT)	» Angela Davidson (TRiO)
» David Graf (ART)	» Bill Hall (Gen. Ed.)
» Julie Heller (Gen. Ed.)	» Tameka Herrion (TRiO)
» John Kreishman (ART)	» Jeff May (Gen. Ed.)
» Les Mottert (Gen. Ed.)	» Alan Osborne (AMT)
» LaTrina Rogers (Residential Life)	» Drew Shands (PLT)
» Larry Sisson (ESDT)	» David Tatum (Gen. Ed.)
» Kurt Trice (CST)	» Therese Velleca (Financial Aid)
Employees Celebrating 10 years of service:	
» Ben Brown (HVACR)	» Becky Mercurio (Advising)
» John Newman (Business office)	» Ronnie Raines (AMT)
» Jeremy Sutton (Residential Life)	» Alan VanArtsdalen (AMT)
» Tim Willard (Development)	» Nancy Yaeger (Admissions)
Employees Celebrating 15 years of service:	
» Terri Forir (IS)	» Melissa Hahne (IS)
» Don Pohl (Education)	» Mark Sloan (CST)
» Carol Winkler (Registrar)	



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Service Awards (continued)	
Employees celebrating 25 years of service:	
» Larry Schmidt (AMT)	
Employees Celebrating 40 years of service:	
» Paul Mueller (HVACR)	
Education Awards	
» Tommy Lucas (Gen. Ed.)	Master of Public Administration, University of Colorado
» Janie Summers (Career Services)	Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Columbia College
» John Helterbrand (ACR)	Associate of Applied Science, Ranken Technical College
» Larry Sisson (ESDT)	Certificate in Solar Energy and Green Technology, Ranken Technical College
» Jennie Wilson (Counselor)	Post Graduate Counseling Certificate, Mid America Nazarene University
Congratulations to our recent retirees:	
» Seletha Curtis (Business Office)	retired after 11 years as the Business office director
» Earl Reynolds (Maintenance)	retired after 46 years in the Buildings and Grounds department



Employee Appreciation Day (continued)

Each year, employees are asked to nominate their fellow colleagues for Ranken's Spirit of Excellence award. This award is given to a staff member and a faculty member who go above and beyond their normal job duties.

Staff Nominees	
» Janna Greenwood (IS)	» Earl Reynolds (Maintenance)
» LaTrina Rogers (Residential Life)	» Jean Endres (Student Success)

Congratulations to Earl Reynolds who is this year's staff Spirit of Excellence Award winner!



Faculty Nominees	
» Evan Gudmestad (IT)	» James Gravitt (Gen. Ed.)
» Chris Brueggeman (HVACR)	» John Baima (Welding)

Congratulations to Evan Gudmestad who is this year's faculty Spirit of Excellence Award winner!



Welcome to our new full-time employees:

» Dave Sanderson	Buildings and Grounds	5/2
» Dave Cadle	Buildings and Grounds	5/2
» Ben Wohldmann	Precision Machining	5/16
» Diane Evans	Business Office	5/16

Faculty, Students Donate Time and Materials to Local Robotics Team



Photo: Ranken PMT students have been providing support to the robotics team from Gateway High School. Ranken students pictured L-R: Brandon Bock, Scott Geldermann, and Dan Rolley.

During the weekend of March 19, the *FIRST* Robotics team, 931 Perpetual Chaos, competed in the St. Louis Robotics Regional competition. The team not only won a trophy for placing 2nd overall, but was also awarded the "Engineering Inspiration Award."

This is Ranken's 10th year of supplying technical support as well as machining and welding assistance. During the majority of their CAD/CAM semester, PMT students made parts for the team with some of the critical parts being made on the manual side of

the shop.

At the beginning of April, Perpetual Chaos headed to the Smoky Mountain Regional competition in Knoxville, Tennessee to compete. At this event they were awarded the "Engineering Excellence Award" and the "Coopertition Award" which celebrates the team that best demonstrates the ability to help their opponents compete. This award is given to the team that earns the most Coopertition Bonus points during the competition.

By winning the "Engineering Inspiration Award" at the St. Louis Regional competition they qualified to compete in the National Championships which were held at the end of April at the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis. This year's challenge was "Logo Motion." Two alliances of three teams competed on a field with poles, attempting to earn points by hanging as many triangle, circle and square logo pieces as possible. Bonus points were awarded for each robot that hung and assembled logo pieces to form the *FIRST* logo. Approximately 11,000 students competed and more than 25,000 people attended the event. Congratulations to Perpetual Chaos who were once again awarded with the "Coopertition Award" in the Archimedes division. A big thank you to the PMT and Welding departments for their continued support of this team.



ALUMNI CL

1930s

Bill Roth (Machine Shop 1936) participated in the recent graduation celebration and was honored for 75 years as a Ranken alumnus. Congratulations, Bill!

Lucian Haney (Refrigeration 1936) participated in the recent graduation celebration and was honored for 75 years as a Ranken alumnus. Congratulations, Lu!

10 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Albert Schiermeyer (IEET 1965) retired from Dyno Nobel, Inc., after 32 years of service and resides in Louisiana, Mo. His father, son, and brother are also Ranken alumni.

Al George (IEET 1968) had a 36-year career in the oil industry when he retired after 30 years with Shell Oil.

1960s

Steve Schniedermeyer (HVAC 1961) graduated from HVAC but had a career in construction for all of his post-Ranken career. Now retired since 2004, Steve enjoys being at home but still keeps himself busy.

Tom Heck (HVAC 1961) was reacquainted with Ranken recently through his old friend, Steve Schniedermeyer. Tom lives in Purcell, Oklahoma and is a retired Air Force pilot, a Vietnam vet, and an Oklahoma National Guardsman. Tom retired in 1989 and in 2000 ending his military career with 24 years of service. He currently repairs RV's as a hobby and part-time business. Tom has been married to his wife Jean for 36 years, has 6 children,

1970s

Gregory Pszyk (Diesel 1976) is currently employed by Milton Cat in Batavia, New York, and lives in Kendall, New York.

Ron Sutterfield (RFAT 1976) is retired as the chief engineer from the Holiday Inn Airport North and recently ran as the Independent Party candidate and won the race for the Village Trustee position in Swansea, Ill.

1980s

John Benda (Welding 1982) is currently the engineering project manager at the Montana Department of Transportation located in Missoula, Montana. John moved to Montana 21 years ago and started working

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To view a complete list of alumni class notes that have been submitted, visit our website at www.ranken.edu.

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in highway construction. He started at Montana Department of Transportation about 17 years ago and worked his way up into a project manager position. He has a crew of 15 and build roads and bridges on the western side of Montana. He is married to wife Lori and they have four boys. They enjoy backpacking, hunting, fishing, gardening and other winter sports.

Brian Coonrod (CMELT 1986) has spent the last 15 years working in the lab and Quality Assurance department of Hunter Engineering and was recently honored as a 25 year Ranken alumnus.

Mark Duncan (HVAC 1986) has been employed as a firefighter for the City of St. Louis for the past 23 years.

1990s

Jeffrey Humphrey (INEET 1991) is currently a maintenance mechanic for UPS in Earth City, Mo. and has worked there for 18 years. He lives in Troy, Ill.

Matthew Luchtfeld (IEET 1993) married Amy LeMar in May 2011 and is employed by IBEW Local 309.

Daryl Hunter (PLT 1994) attended the recent plumbing reunion and was amazed at the changes in the department. He is a Journeyman for Local #562.

Amy Blandford (ART 1995) recently joined Horner & Shifrin Inc., as an administrative technician in the building design services department.

Michael Flynn (CNT 1996) stopped by campus for a visit in March. He resides in Arnold, Mo. and is looking to further his education at Ranken.

Aaron Richardson (CNT 1997) is currently a network analyst for BJC Healthcare.

Mike Mayer (INT 1997) recently received the Mission Partner Merciful Love Award at Saint Anthony's Health Center where he has worked for 32 years. The award recognizes an employee, or mission partner, who, in unrecognized ways, lives and shares values and the mission of Saint Anthony's.

2000s

Dennis Pape (ACR 2001) is currently employed as a painter for Albertin Auto Body in Florissant, Mo.

Sam W. Brown (PLT 2001) is engaged to Nicki Lawrence and planning an October 2011 wedding and will reside in Wentzville, Mo.

Yolanda Kemp (CNT 2002) currently lives in Spartanburg, SC. She is getting a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services and hopes to open a shelter for children.

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Michael Spratt (CNT 2002), was a Top 100 honoree. He has been working at MasterCard Worldwide in O'Fallon, Mo. since 2008 as an ATM network specialist. He monitors MasterCard's biggest client ATM networks and a database administrator. He works with several financial institutions around the world to provide monitoring for their ATM networks. Michael is married with two children; a girl and a boy born on 5/5/11 and lives in Maryland Heights, Mo.

Kyle George (IEET 2002) has been back in the St. Louis area for a little over a year and is now a commissioning specialist with McClue Engineering. Kyle has five other Ranken alums in his family.

Justin Hamblen (PMT 2006) married Krystle Parks in May at a ceremony at Ted's Harley Davidson in Alton, Ill, and is employed by Lewis Pumps.

Justin Eilermann (ART 2006) is the founder and partner of Precision Design & Build, Inc. which opened in 2008.

Clay Murphy (PLT 2007) graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Tex., with the rank of Air Force Reserve Airman 1st Class.

Nick Timmermann (2007 ESDT) married Lyndsey Wilmott in October 2010 and lives in Troy, Ill.

Ken Naes (PLT 2008) recently retired and is busy with his grandson's Boy Scout Troop. He is otherwise keeping busy by doing handyman projects.

Mike Redman (PLT 2010) and wife, Dana, are expecting their first child.

Bobby Berding (AMT 2010) and Amanda Diehl (PMT 2010) became husband and wife in April 2011 and reside in Arnold, Mo.

Will Poelker (HVAC 2011) is engaged to Stephanie Hunn and will be married in December 2011.

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Alumni Memorium

Ranken faculty and staff extend their sympathy to the families and friends of the following alumni that have passed away:

- William Wagner (1937 CRP) - retired Carpentry instructor, and department head passed away in March 2011
- Edward Goetz (1948 AMT) - March 2011
- John N. Redden (1976 CNT) - retired electrical instructor passed away in February 2011
- Mark Alan Clubb (1984 Machine Shop) - February 2011
- Richard N. Harris (1950 Electronics) - January 2011
- Robert Schott (1962 INEET) November 2010
- Larry Wahl (1958 PMT) - October 2010
- Francis Grothoff (1947 Machine Shop) - October 2010

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Past Graduates Celebrate Anniversary Milestones

Alumni who graduated 75, 50 and 25 years ago were honored at a ceremony prior to the commencement exercise at the Chaifetz Arena. Graduates from all programs in 1936, 1961, and 1986 were invited to attend a social hour at Lorenzini's Restaurant and led the commencement procession of over 500 students. Anniversary graduates who participated in the ceremony were presented with a certificate and were seated in the front row in white, gold and silver caps and gowns. Congratulations to the following alumni who are celebrating a milestone anniversary:

2011 Diamond Graduates (75 years)

- Lucian C. Haney , Refrigeration 1936
- William J. Roth , Machine Shop 1936

2011 Golden Graduates (50 years)

- Cedar C. Beel, Machine Shop 1959
- Robert E. Downey, Mechanical Drafting 1961
- Tom E. Heck, Air Conditioning 1961
- David R. Meinell, Automotive Maintenance 1961
- Stephen Schniedermeyer, Air Conditioning 1961
- Joseph A. Trupiano, Mechanical Drafting 1961

2011 Silver Graduates (25 years)

- Brian T. Coonrod, Communications Electronics 1986
- David T. McKee, Machine Shop 1986
- Joseph D. Wibbenmeyer, Machine Shop 1986



Photo: Alumni celebrating milestone anniversaries were honored at an event held prior to the commencement ceremony.

Distinguished Alumni Award Winners Honored at Graduation



Pictured L-R: Thomas Wood and Jeff Scott who were each presented with a Distinguished Alumni Award.

The second annual award ceremony recognizing Ranken alumni who have had success in their career and shared it with their community was held during the recent commencement exercise. These annual awards are sponsored by the Alumni Association for the purpose of honoring outstanding Ranken graduates who through their character, leadership, service and financial support sustain the reputation of David Ranken, Jr.

Tom Wood (Carpentry 1955) was chosen to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award and Jeff Scott (Industrial Technology 2006) was selected as the Distinguished Young Alumnus.

Nominations were collected and recipients were chosen by a selection committee of the Alumni Leadership Council. Tom and Jeff were recognized during the Graduate Celebration and their names will be engraved on a perpetual plaque that will grow each year with honorees.

Thomas E. Wood was born in St. Louis in 1936. He graduated from St. Boniface grade school and attended Cleveland High School. Tom enrolled in the Carpentry program at Ranken when he was 18 years old. He used his training from Ranken as a carpenter for 52 years. He worked for the family business, William P. Wood and Son, General Contractors before and after his time at Ranken in addition to working for several large construction companies as a foreman. He is a member and continues to be active in the St. Louis Carpenter's District Council and has served as a delegate.

"My Ranken education was the best thing that ever happened to me. I learned chemistry, math, drafting and English in addition to carpentry skills. I was able to acquire everything I needed to know to be successful. My education at Ranken was very thorough. It was a complete education. My instructor, Bill Wagner, was a tremendous influence on me and I owe so much to him both as my carpentry instructor and as my friend. Because of my complete education, I have had rewarding jobs with a variety of employers."

Tom was a founding member of the Alumni Leadership Council in 2005 and has remained an active member until 2008 when failing health forced his resignation. He has donated his carpentry tool set and books to the Ranken archives which is currently on display on the Finney Bridge. Tom has purchased memorial bricks, referred students, visited campus on many occasions bringing friends for tours, and continues his close ties with his department. Tom donates to the college on an annual basis. Currently on kidney dialysis, Tom continues to be an active participant in the life of the

Distinguished Alumni (continued)

College whenever he can.

Tom has been a Fourth Degree Knight of the Knights of Columbus Pope John XXIII Council 6018, and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Meramec Aeries No. 3678 in Arnold, Mo. Tom has spent many volunteer hours frying fish for the Knights of Columbus, planning the 'Chocolate Fantasy Night' for the Missouri Children's Burn Camp, and wearing the yellow and red vest on the street corners for the annual Tootsie Roll Drive.

Tom has three daughters all living in the St. Louis area, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He and his fiancé, Dot Flamm, met at the Saint David Church Picnic ten years ago. He enjoys fishing, golf, dining out and traveling with Dot whenever he can.

Jeffery R. Scott was born in St. Louis in North County and graduated from St. Jerome Grade School and CBC High School in 2002. Jeff was an Altar Server until the age of 21 citing that he was one of the youngest people in the parish able to serve. Jeff has been a member of CBC tech crew, a student leader and volunteer in the Big Brother and Big Sister program. Jeff has built 16 homes in 16 days as part of Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build in 2000. Jeff was diagnosed with ADD and worked hard to overcome the disorder. In fact his senior paper was entitled "ADD, the Beneficial Disorder."

Jeff has been involved in theater and dance since 2000. He is a ball room and swing dance competitor and co-founded Show Me Swing which sponsors an international dance exchange called "Show Me Blues" (www.showmeblues.com) annually. Jeff enrolled at Ranken after attending Florissant Valley Community College and completing many odd jobs and construction projects. He always knew he wanted to be a maintenance man.

"When I entered the Finney foyer and saw all the marble I felt at home. I knew this school was right for me!" Jeff received the Ranken Distinguished Achievement Award in 2006 graduating from the Industrial Technology program. Jeff joined the Ranken staff in that department as a full time instructor in 2008.

Since teaching at Ranken he has participated in Rebuilding Together 2010 and 2011 and is an Industrial Technology department lead for Summer Academies. He teaches classes of students at all levels (1st term through fourth) in industrial technology, mechanical systems, and print reading.

"What I love most about teaching is that 'Ah-Ha' moment when it all fits together and it clicks. You can see it on a student's face when it happens. The moment when students figure out exactly what is going on, and how it relates to their lives, is an amazing thing."

Jeff enjoys dancing, working on his 1955 Chevy, backpacking, camping, shooting, reading and working a friend's farm mending fences and herding cattle. Jeff is an annual donor to Ranken through the Ranken Employee Campaign and has two sisters, four nieces and one nephew.

2011/2012 Car and Campus Calendar

- **The 2011-2012 Car and Campus Calendar** for Ranken Technical College is in the works for the upcoming school year. The calendar is a useful tool for alumni, students and friends. Important dates for the school term, College history, and department pictures and information are detailed throughout each month. The 15-month calendars will be available in October 2011 and run through December 2012. These calendars make great gifts for the holiday season. We are also asking all alumni to submit their classic, custom, or modified cars for the main pages of the calendar. A selection committee of the Alumni Leadership Council will choose the featured cars. Entry forms to submit your car along with a .jpg photo can be obtained through the Alumni Relations Office, (314) 286-4895 via email ktfern@ranken.edu. If you or your company is interested in advertising and supporting Ranken in its marketing efforts of the calendar, please contact a member of the Alumni Leadership Council or Kathy Fern. Sponsorship ads are \$100 for a business card size and help defray the cost of the printing of the calendars.

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PLUMBING REUNION
HELD ON CAMPUS
DURING THE SPRING
OPEN HOUSE!**

Bill Wagner (CRT 1936)

Bill Wagner (CRT 1936) has been associated with Ranken Technical College for most of his life and passed away in March at the age of 92. Mr. Wagner was an alumnus, Ranken faculty member, Carpentry department head, Golden Graduate, Top 100 Honoree and a man whose commitment to Ranken never faltered. The life of Mr. Wagner is what we hope for all of our students, alumni, friends and family. A scout leader, husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Mr. Wagner left many friends and family behind to remember him especially former students from the Carpentry department.

Mr. Wagner graduated from the Carpentry program in 1936 and then spent the better part of his career teaching carpentry to others. Before returning to Ranken to teach in the 40's, Bill spent 12 years working for a variety of companies gaining valuable knowledge and experience that he eventually passed on to his students.

Bill's teaching career spanned over three decades, from 1948-1982, and

his influence on the young people who went through his program was significant. One thing that is certain, Bill is fondly remembered by his former students. To this day, former students ask about him and share stories about their favorite instructor. One of Bill's students, Tom Wood (Class of 1955), purchased a brick on the Ranken "Walk of Fame" to honor him. In 2006, Bill and Tom were able to walk together at the 50th Anniversary celebration of their graduation in the Golden Graduate Ceremony held at Ranken's annual commencement exercise. Tom



Photo: Bill Wagner (center) with former students, Jim Newman (CRP 1979) (left) and Mike Weiss (CRP 1979) at the October 2010 Carpentry Reunion.

Wood was saddened when he heard of his passing. "A great instructor and friend has left us. I owe everything I know about construction to him," said Tom.

More recently Mike Weiss and Jim Newman returned to Ranken for the Carpentry Reunion held on campus last October just to visit with Mr. Wagner.

"Mr. Wagner was a perfectionist. I remember doing our projects, and if the project wasn't as good as he thought it should be, he would make me redo it. I wasn't happy about it, but afterwards it turned out a lot better, I was glad that he made me redo it," said Weiss. "I use what he taught us every day in my job and attribute my woodworking skills to his teaching. He was truly a craftsman."

Jim Newman commented, "I was very sorry to hear about Mr. Wagner's passing. He was a wonderful man, and a true Master Carpenter. I feel

privileged to have been one of his students. He will be greatly missed.”

Bill’s lifelong devotion to helping young people wasn’t just limited to teaching Carpentry at Ranken. He was equally active with the Boy Scouts, his Church and other organizations where he was able to share his life experiences. While he was a leader in the Boy Scouts, Bill produced 56 Eagle Scouts, more than any other troop leader in the area. In 1984, Bill received the Silver Beaver Award, the highest award that a local council can present to a volunteer scouter.

At age 92, Bill’s memory was as sharp as ever and he had a lot of stories to tell, some chronicled in the black and white photos he carried around with him. He and his wife, Ruby, continued to live in the South County neighborhood where they raised their two sons, Dennis and David (deceased) in the home that Bill built. Bill continued to remain active until earlier this year when he fell and broke his hip. But until that time, Bill and Ruby attended almost every Ranken alumni event where he usually ran into one or two of his former students.

Ruby, also 92 continues to be active staying with their son Dennis, his wife, Marilyn, and their daughter, Stacey. Bill and Ruby have two granddaughters, and twin great-grandsons. Bill’s legacy will live on through his students but most importantly his presence, spirit and tales of the 40 years in Carpentry at Ranken.

JOIN OUR eSCRIP PROGRAM!

Shop at Schnucks and help grow the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund!

The eScrip program, developed by the Schnucks Corporation, helps colleges and special interest groups all across the country.

To join the e-scrip program and help Ranken add to the Alumni Association Scholarship fund, follow the below steps:

1. Sign up for Schnucks eScrip Community Card by contacting Kathy Fern in Ranken’s Alumni Relations office located in Walker Hall by calling (314) 286-4895 or email ktfern@ranken.edu. Up to four cards can be issued per household.
2. Present your eScrip Card to the cashier at any Schnucks location when you check out. Schnucks will donate a percentage of your total store purchases to the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund.

To date, 164 parents, students, staff and alumni have contributed to Ranken through this program. It’s a free and easy way to support education and we appreciate all of our loyal card carrying Schnucks shoppers. Cards are available through the Alumni Relations office in Walker Hall at any time or you can sign up for this program by contacting Kathy Fern at (314) 286-4895.

Alumni Return as Recruiters

Many businesses in the metro area employ Ranken alumni. Some of these alumni returned to the recent 2011 Spring Job Fair as recruiters. Our alumni employers know the value of their education and success, and we appreciate their continued support in hiring our graduates today.



Pictured L-R: Scott Stephan (1993 PMT) plant manager, Ehrhardt Tool and Machine; Chad Imboden (2006 PMT) materials control supervisor, Weir Minerals Lewis Pumps; Fredrick Fletcher (2010 EAT), Human Resources supervisor, UPS; Kerry Hogan (CNT 1985), Acumen Consulting; and Greg Moutria (1982 Diesel), fleet services shift manager, U.S. Steel Corporation. Not pictured: Patrick Holmes (2008 CST), Panelmatic; Andy Brennan (1999 PMT), Jacksonville Machine Company

Show Your Ranken Pride With a Missouri License Plate!



(Plates available for Missouri residents only)

How to order your plates:

1. Purchase a "Ranken Emblem Use Authorization" from Ranken's Development office by contacting Rose Crawford at (314) 286-4865; a \$25 minimum tax deductible donation is required. All Phone-a-thon and Fund for Ranken donors qualify.
2. Complete the Personalized and Specialty Plate Application Form 1716 (Can get these from the Development office also)
3. Complete your annual registration and renewal forms.
4. Mail all original forms to the Missouri Department of Revenue office (address on the form). Process takes 10 weeks.

Ranken Team Helps Neighbors Through Rebuilding Together



Ranken students and alumni came together to help our neighbors during the 2011 Rebuilding Together day held on April 30. One neighbor helped was Bill Haymon whose home is on W. Belle behind the Moog building. Bill is currently unemployed and on SSDI with two small daughters and needed repairs done on his home. Team Ranken stepped

in and repaired his back porch, holes in the walls and ceiling, painted rooms, did tuckpointing and added a newel post.

Jean Fancote (CRP 2010), a current BSAM student served as the lead on exterior projects and Nick Wiltse (INT 2010) lead the interior work. As a surprise to Bill, Nick installed an AC floor vent engraved with his name. Thanks to Brandon Huskey (PMT 2010) and Nick, Mr. Haymon now has a personalized touch in his home made and installed by Ranken students. Bill's son, Corwin Hayman, is currently a Ranken automotive student.

Due to the great number of volunteers, a second group was sent to work on a home on Minnesota in South St. Louis joining a team from Eagle Bank. Rebuilding Together made improvements on 65 homes in one day. The next scheduled repair dates will be in July and October. Thanks to everyone who made this a great day for our community - including Greg Presley who provided extra motivation for his INT students! Check out more pictures on Ranken's Flickr page!

Volunteers interested in participating in 2012 can contact Kathy Fern in the Alumni Relations office.



Ranken Graduates Give Back

The Students Helping Students program is a class gift for graduates that began in 2006. Graduating students have the opportunity to make a difference in the future of the College by giving a gift to their department, to scholarships or to the College's area of greatest need. Much of Ranken's success depends on the donations received in the form of tools, equipment, scholarships and unrestricted funds. David Ranken, Jr. believed strongly in giving to others and by participating in this program graduating students help to ensure that his legacy will continue so that future Ranken students will receive the best technical education using state-of-the-art equipment.

This year, an annual scholarship was created by graduating PMT student, Jessica Clawson to be awarded to a female student in the PMT program.

We are pleased to recognize the Plumbing department for their 100% participation for the third year in a row. We hope that all alumni will continue to keep Ranken in mind as their charity of choice. We thank all of our donors for their thoughtfulness and participation. The 2011 Students Helping Students Class Gift Donors are:

Shakoor Abdeljabbar (HVACR)	Lance Endres (ESDT)	Nermin Mukic (CRP)
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Michael Barrett (INT)	Michael Fishman (PLT)	Robert Nelke (HVACR)
Nicholas Besse (INT)	Andrew Garcia (EAT)	Scott Noonan (HVACR)
Nick Binsbacher (PLT)	Curtis Gegg (ART)	Joseph Northcutt (CRP)
Brandon Bock (PMT)	Zachary Hagen (EAT)	Justin Petrovic (PMT)
Marc Borchardt (INT)	Daniel Hinds (HVACR)	William Poelker (HVACR)
Ryan Burgess (EAT)	Lance Holmes (PLT)	Justin Rockwell (PMT)
Adam Carrier (BSAM)	Jamail Houston (PLT)	Ariel Ruff (PLT)
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Fred Carter (INT)	Charles Jepsen (INT)	Matt Shockley (PLT)
Joseph Chamberlain (HVACR)	Shawn Johnson (EAT)	Jacob Siemer (INT)
Christopher Chambers (AMT)	Derek Karban (ACR)	Terry Sinks (AMT)
Jessica Clawson (PMT)	Travis Kehrer (PLT)	Joseph Timko (PMT)
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Jay Darr (AMT)	Brian Liermann (PLT)	Tyler Walsh (HVACR)
Tyler Eaton (PLT)	Blake Lloyd (PLT)	Andrew Watkins (PLT)
Carlin Edwards (ESDT)	Brandon Marsala (HVACR)	Zachary Wilschetz (PLT)
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	Nathan Mueller (PMT)	

Employer Spotlight - Drury Hotels

For the past 38 years, Drury Hotels has been providing travelers with a clean, friendly place to stay at an affordable price. One hundred thirty hotels and 20 states later, the family-owned and operated hotel chain continues to make value and service their top priority.

The Drury brand was born in the small town of Kelso, Missouri with a farmer and his family. Lambert Drury taught his children the value of hard work, resilience and family. When baseball-sized hail destroyed a season's worth of crops, Lambert gathered ice from the fields and made ice cream for his children. The lesson of that day lasted long after the ice cream melted: face challenges head on and work hard to make the best of what you've been given.

In the 1960's, Lambert and his sons started a local plastering and construction company. As their reputation for quality and fairness grew, so did their vision for serving the community. In 1962, the Drury family bought a 108-room Holiday Inn, making their first entry into the hotel industry. Over time, the Drury's became increasingly aware of the need for a value-focused alternative to overpriced luxury hotels and cheap, dingy motels. Filling this void became, and remains, the Drury's main objective in growing their family business.

In 1973, the first Drury Inn was built in Sikeston, Missouri. Just off of I-55, the hotel marked the start of a fresh approach to the industry: build and operate hotels internally, cutting costs, and passing the savings on to their guests.

Not satisfied to simply expand, the Drury family began innovating new ways to offer guests additional value. At Drury Hotels, "The Extras Aren't Extra"® isn't just a tagline, it's a business model.

The Drury family is grateful for the opportunities afforded to the entire family - now 4,000 team members strong. President and CEO, Chuck Drury, remembers the humble upbringings of the company.



Photo: Lewis Smith (2010 HVACR) currently works for Drury Hotels.

"We really didn't start out to build a hotel system across the country," says Drury. "What we really wanted to do was provide the customer with quality service and amenities each and every day, each and every stay." The same spirit that inspired Lambert Drury to turn hail to ice-cream still inspires the Drury brothers today. The Drury family remains driven to provide quality rooms at affordable rates, add new, free amenities and strive for an enjoyable stay for its guests.

Dedicated, hard-working team members are key when it comes to delivering on the promises made by the Drury family to travelers. Ranken Technical College has been a great resource for Drury's Recruitment team when it comes to filling maintenance positions. The students at Ranken have solid HVAC, electrical and technical

Employer Spotlight - Drury Hotels (cont.)

knowledge and a strong work ethic.

Some of the qualities of Ranken graduates that are attractive to Drury include a good educational background, solid training, stable work experience (preferably in the service industry), professional communication skills and a sincere interest in working for Drury Hotels. Drury attends Ranken Job Fairs annually, and also participates in classroom presentations, informational sessions and conducts on-campus interviews. As a result, they hire an average of 8-20 maintenance candidates annually from Ranken. In 2010, nine Ranken graduates filled maintenance positions in the St. Louis area.

For more information on Drury Hotels and employment opportunities, please visit www.drurycareers.com.



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Alumni Association Welcomes New Graduates



Pictured L-R: Jacob Siemer and Dennis Smith, both 2011 INT graduates.

To welcome the newest members into Ranken's Alumni Association, a Senior Celebration was held at the beginning of April with all graduates from all departments invited to attend. The offices of Alumni Relations, Career Services and Continuing Education sponsored the event and Herff Jones was on site with samples of class rings. Students were invited to pick up their caps and gowns, have cookies, popcorn and soda. Raffles were held every half hour for Ranken items. Two tickets to the Kemp Auto Museum and a laptop bag (donated by Herff Jones) were also given away. Grand prizes were drawn at the end of the event and won by graduates, Mark Orr and David Newgent. Over 260 anticipated graduates from Ranken's programs visited throughout the day.

During the event graduates also had the opportunity to learn about membership in the Alumni Association. Students Helping Students participants were recognized and received an Alumni Association polo shirt as a complimentary gift. Don Huster and Bill Layman, members of the Alumni Leadership Council were on hand to congratulate students and welcome them into the Alumni Association.

Photographers for class pictures were students, Chris Hall, David Iberg, Joe Hook and Keith Mathis from Lois Ingram's photography class. Pictures are posted on Flickr and available to review or print.

Offers From the Alumni Association

Six Flags Summer Fun Savings

Six Flag discounted tickets are available for all Ranken alumni, students, staff and friends. Tickets are \$28.99 plus tax, a \$16 savings per ticket from the gate price. This special price is available online and valid from July 14-August 14, 2011. To purchase, go to www.sixflags.com/st.louis and use the promo code RANKEN for the discounted rate. Hurricane Harbor is included in the ticket price. Parking passes, food coupons and other park amenities are also available through online this site. Six Flags will donate a portion of your ticket price back to Ranken's Alumni Scholarship Fund.



Frontier League Ball

Ranken night at the Rascals game is scheduled for Friday, July 22, 2011. See the Rascals play the Southern Illinois Miners and a post-game fireworks display. Box Seats are available for only \$8.00! (\$3.00 off of game day price) purchased online only at:

www.ticketreturn.com/prod2/Buy.asp?EventID=60281

For questions please contact Aaron Smith, River City Rascals Baseball Club, Ticket Sales & Social Media Coordinator, (636) 240-BATS ext. 242, asmith@rivercityrascals.com or Kathy Fern, Alumni Relations, (314) 286-4895, email kfern@ranken.edu.



Go Kart Family Fun

Got kids or grandkids who would love to have a go kart? Check out Ranken Technical College's Go Kart made by 2010 Summer Academy middle schoolers who attended the Summer Racer's camp last August. Raffle tickets

are available for \$1 each or six for \$5. This go kart fits children through adult size so any member of the family can enjoy. The drawing will take place on September 2, 2011 at 12:00 p.m. in the Finney Lobby. All proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund.

Contact Kathy Fern at

(314) 286-4895 to purchase tickets.

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Ranken Night at T.R Hughes Stadium

All Ranken alumni, staff, students and friends are invited to join us on July 2, 2011 to see the River City Rascals take on the Southern Illinois Miners and a post-game fireworks display. Box Seats are available for only \$8.00! (\$3.00 off of game day price) purchased online only at:

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Ranken Night with Gateway Grizzlies

We are planning a date in August for a Ranken night at GCS Stadium in Sauget, Ill. Reduced ticket prices are \$8 in advance or \$18 with the pre-game bbq buffet. Game time is 7:05p.m. Contact Kathy Fern for more information.

Employer Breakfasts

All employers are invited to attend one of our Employer Breakfasts to learn more about Ranken and how our students can benefit your company! Events dates are listed below. To attend one of these dates, please register on-line at www.ranken.edu or contact Career Services at (314) 286-4821.

- Friday, September 2, 2011
- Friday, October 7, 2011
- Friday, December 2, 2011

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Teacher/Counselor Workshop

All teachers, counselors, principals and A+ coordinators are invited to attend our fall Teacher/Counselor Workshop scheduled for Friday, September 30 from 8:30a.m. to 1:30p.m. in the atrium of the Mary Ann Lee Technology Center. Take the opportunity to see campus, meet our instructors and learn about financial aid and scholarship opportunities. Let us show you how Ranken can provide your students with a superior technical education and put them on the track to a successful career! To register, visit www.ranken.edu or call (314) 286-4849. Space is limited.

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Photo: Exterior shot of Ranken's original building, the Cook building, built in 1907.

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