



The TECHNICAL COLLEGE
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MEMORANDUM

TO: MATC Staff, Students, Alumni, and Friends

RE: Weekend Memo

DATE: May 11, 2007

1. On Thursday, the MATC Board of Directors voted to allow the College to assume the responsibility for our own General Education courses beginning with the fall 2007 semester. Now that we have our accreditation and the State funding formula allows for reimbursement for these credit hours, we have completed the transition to fully stand alone as a technical college. With this transition, all of the technical colleges in Kansas who have, or are seeking accreditation, now offer their own Gen Eds.
2. Yesterday, Ralph Teaford and Myrna Bartel awarded scholarships to some of our Nursing students. The recipients of the Barbara Teaford scholarship were Marquia Wilhoite, Brandy Johnson, and Carolyn Alesna. The Myrna Bartel Scholarship went to Kara Ball. Hearty congratulations to our recipients and another hearty thank you to our donors.
3. The Student Government Organization Cookout was a huge success. It was so well attended that we had to go back to the store for more food and, even then, ran out before our Nursing students could get there. Don't worry, on Thursday we bought pizzas at Pizza Hut (which helped donate funds for the Greensburg recovery efforts), and fed those who missed out on the burgers. A great big thank you to the SGO for the food, Students Services for the coordination, and Ron and Wes for the preparation of some of the best burgers I have ever eaten.
4. For historic Bills, it is appropriate to request a signing ceremony in the Governor's office. The signing of House Bill 2556, which puts the Technical Education Authority into place, is scheduled for just such an event. It is tentatively scheduled for May 21st but has not yet been firmed up.
5. Today Auto Collision students have been doing, what we called in the military, a G.I. party. Everything was moved out and the whole place scrubbed from top to bottom. Our veteran employees say that it has never looked so good in there. Way to go Linn.
6. Right next store Don, Andy, and Gary are busy installing shelving, which was donated by NAPA, into one of the storage sheds. This will help keep the transmissions and other heavy components off the floor, organized, and safer to handle. After all that hard work, I think there will be a bunch of folks sleeping very soundly tonight.

7. Next week:
 - a. Associate Degree in Nursing pinning ceremony: 5:00 P.M. Saturday
 - b. Commencement: 7:00 P.M. Saturday
 - c. Marilyn' send-off: 2:30 P.M. Monday
 - d. All Staff meeting: 3:30 P.M. Monday
 - e. Spring Fling: 6:30 P.M. Monday at Lake Elbo
 - i. John Reichle award presentation
 - ii. Good Eats
 - iii. Good Fellowship

Have a great weekend.

Rob