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UC PEOPLE

Dan Bollana, Executive Director of Facilities

By Marissa Filletti '18, PR Intern

Q: Tell me a little about your background and how you found yourself at UC.

A: I am a Utica native and a first generation American. I went to college at the University of Miami and graduated with two engineering degrees: one in architectural

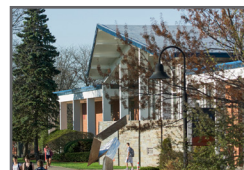
for 35 years in various capacities as a design engineer, manager and then division chief. The work done at the Air Force research lab is instrumental in both defending our country and transitioning technology and to provide practical applications for use in everyday life. I have since retired, but had a wonderful career with the Air Force and met and worked with a lot of great people. Throughout my life, I have had a passion for baseball. I've been coaching baseball in the area for 36 years at the high school and college level. I have been the assistant baseball coach here at UC for the past 3 years. One of the reasons I came to UC was that one of my former players, Dave Fontaine, director of physical education and athletics, convinced me that I would be a great fit for this position. So, I applied and I've been here since January.

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engineering and one in civil engineering. I am a registered professional engineer in New York State. I worked for a couple of design firms in New York and Florida before I started a career working for the Air Force in Rome, N.Y. I worked there

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- Dan Bollana



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DPT graduates proudly don their new white coats, symbolizing their transition from classroom to clinic. *05/06*

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HR NOTES

Welcome

Amber Rescio, *Administrative Assistant III, YSLPP*

Sean Coffey, *Head Men's Basketball Coach, Athletics*

Abigail Reyome- *Counselor II, Student Affairs*

Greg Caloia, *Development Officer for Athletics, Advancement*

New Titles

Matt Carr, *Associate VP of Information Technology and Institutional Research*

Nancy Virgil-Call, *Librarian III*

Sam Catterson, *Assistant Cross Country/Track and Field Coach*

Gayle Kilburn, *Operations Associate*

CONGRATULATIONS!



The Kudos Card program monthly drawing winner is...

Dan Sloan

Congratulations, Dan, and enjoy your \$50 gift certificate to Symeon's Restaurant!

You can access the link below at any time to recognize a colleague for his/her great work:

utica.edu/kudos

A reminder that summer hours and business casual attire are in effect as of Monday, June 13, and will continue through Friday, August 12.

Business hours during this period of time will be from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Employees will be paid through 5:00 p.m. each of these days.

Please be sure to note the change in hours for this time period on your voicemail greetings.



ANNUAL FUND BREAKS NEW RECORD

By Dylan Austin '18, PR Intern

The Annual Fund has surpassed a major fundraising milestone. For the first time in the history of Utica College, the Annual Fund has raised over \$1 million. Not only is this the first time UC's Annual Fund has surpassed the \$1 million mark, this has been UC's most successful fundraising year to date.

With \$2.8 million raised in total – and \$1.16 million of that coming from the Annual Fund – this is the most that UC has ever raised in a single fiscal year, said Nick Accordino, director of Annual Giving. This is not the only milestone the Annual Fund has reached, though. The fund also saw an increase in faculty and staff gifts with a 31.8 percent rise from last year, as well as faculty and staff participation increasing from 39 to 51 percent! The College also saw its highest number of donors since 2013, surpassing 2,800 total and more than 2000 Annual Fund donors.

The money raised by the Annual Fund will go toward further enhancing the student experience at UC. Whether it's financial assistance, technology upgrades or research funding, the money will go toward ensuring that the student experience is of the highest quality.

As College administrators indicated that the first year of the tuition reset would require some adjustment, the Annual Fund takes on even greater significance.

"With the College's decision to address the issue of affordability with the tuition reset, raising support through the Annual Fund is now more important than ever. Reaching the \$1 million Annual Fund goal gives UC the flexibility to apply the funds to the areas of greatest need, most commonly by providing students with the financial assistance we have historically offered," Accordino said.

Thank you, one and all, for your help in making the Annual Fund so successful!

AROUND CAMPUS



The 3rd Annual ACSS Teaching Day, "Teaching and Learning Experiences with Non-Apparent Disabilities," took place on March 9. Moderated by Chelsea Berns, assistant professor of biology, the session was sponsored by the Center for ACSSibility of Teaching and Learning, and the Office of Learning Services.



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Q: What does your job entail?

A: The Facilities Director is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the campus involving grounds, custodial and facilities maintenance. It's my job to evaluate and plan life-cycle and capital repair/replacement projects for major building systems such as roofs, HVAC, electrical, pavements and building envelope. There's not much staff in our department so it's a fairly busy job. The in-house work is accomplished by a contractor, TEMCo, who provides some more manpower.

Q: Will maintenance be involved with the College's move to the Clark City Center?

A: The facilities department has been right at the center of developing the new space at the Clark City Center downtown. We have been working with the contractor who is building out the space and keeping things on schedule to ensure a smooth transition to start up the Fall semester. Some of our in-house staff has been working there laying tile and carpeting. The construction should be coming to an end in the next few weeks and furniture is scheduled to be delivered. Maintenance will assist in transporting the faculty's belongings to their downtown offices. So, yes, we have been involved in the process right along.

Q: After the move, once there is some space free on campus, are there any projects planned?

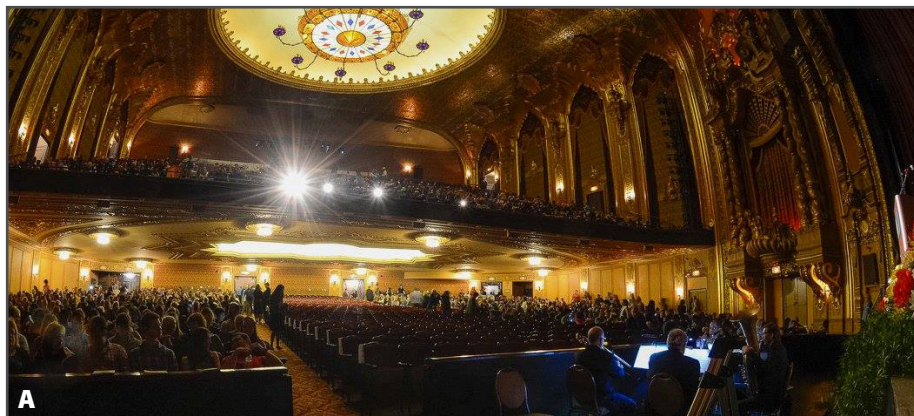
A: Surprisingly, as much that's moving to Clark City Center, the spaces left behind are already earmarked for new faculty and curriculums. In fact, we are looking to modify a few places to house these people. As the College is growing, available space is very limited.

Q: During a somewhat frugal time in the College's history, what kind of projects are in the works?

A: We are replacing the roof of the library and hope to also get funding for the White Hall roof. We're abating asbestos in North Hall, replacing some ceilings and will be correcting some heating and cooling problems in the microbiology and chemistry labs. We will also tackle some small improvement projects in the botany and zoology labs. The four labs have had issues over the last few years and use has been limited. In addition, we are trying to improve some of the roadways on campus. We are also waiting on confirmation to proceed with creating a new anatomy and physiology lab in Gordon. So there are many planned projects in the works but that doesn't even account for regular day-to-day upkeep such as painting, repairs, and general clean-up of properties in preparation for the Fall semester.

COMMENCEMENT 2016

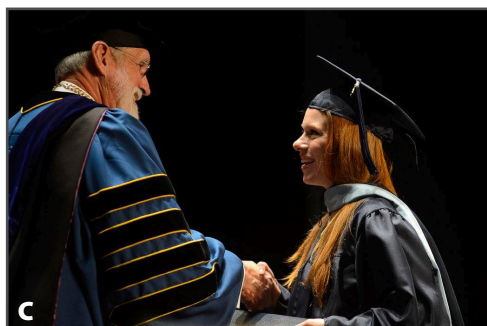
A - E. Masters and doctoral graduates celebrate Commencement ceremonies at The Stanley. *05/07*



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F. Graduates celebrate at the conclusion of the 2016 Commencement ceremony at the Utica Memorial Auditorium. *05/08*

G. From left, Mark Pilipczuk, chair of the Board of Trustees, honorary degree recipient Doctor Reverend Paul Drobin and President Todd Hutton.

H. Undergraduate Commencement keynote speaker Kevin Carroll

I. A sea of UC graduates prepare to embark on a world of possibilities.

K. Jason Denman, professor of English and associate dean of Humanities and Social Sciences, (left), accepts the Crisafulli Distinguished Teaching Award from Provost John Johnsen.



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EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION



LEFT: UC employees and auxiliary service personnel gather for this year's annual Employee Recognition Ceremony. *05/17*

BELOW:

(TOP ROW, FROM LEFT) 5 Years of Service, 10 Years of Service, 15 Years of Service.

(SECOND ROW, FROM LEFT) 20 Years of Service, 25 Years of Service, 30 Years of Service.

See the full gallery at utica.edu/recog2016.



ABOVE (FROM LEFT): 2015 Professional Staff Advisory Council Excellence in Professional Service Award recipients Benjamin Atwood, Jaime Evanoff, Scott Humphrey; **AT RIGHT:** Derek Pooley

FAR RIGHT: Alane Varga and Kateri Henkel present the 2016 Excellence in Fostering a Diverse Campus Community Award to President Hutton

See the full gallery at utica.edu/recog2016.



Adrienne Arnone, senior administrative assistant in admissions, graduated from the professional development program Leadership Mohawk Valley (LMV) last month. This 10-month program helps to form stronger community leadership and trusteeship, placing members on “teams” to tackle community projects. The graduation took place on May 11 at SUNY Poly.

Jeffery Gates, vice president for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management; Beth Robertson, assistant vice president for Admission, The Sage Colleges; and Sherri Gilmore, Regional Director, NRCCUA; presented “Predicting Success: Making a Case for Predictive Modeling” at the NYS Association for College Admission Counseling Conference at Wagner College, Staten Island. Topics included filling the funnel with the right prospects and using the model to inform communication strategies to improve overall yield. 6/1-3

President Todd S. Hutton was honored by the Mohawk Valley Economic Development Growth Enterprises Corporation (MV EDGE) at its 15th annual Leading Edge Awards. President Hutton’s commendation comes from his leadership and his work to make the region a better place. The award was presented May 17.

- **President Hutton** was also honored at the Marubi Film School in Tirana, Albania, where a magnolia tree was planted in his honor. Kutjim Cashku, director of the school, and recipient of a UC honorary degree last month, wanted to thank President Hutton for his ardent support over the years.

Christopher Riddle, assistant professor of philosophy and director of the Applied Ethics Institute, presented a paper on “Assisted Dying and Disability” at the University of Richmond in April.

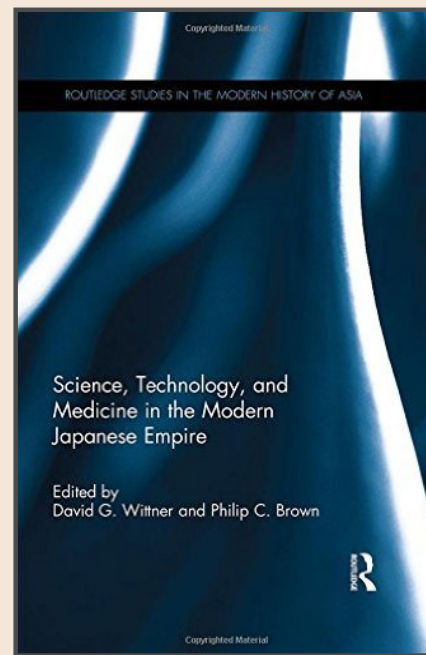
David Roberts, adjunct professor of psychology, presented at the Angel of Hope Walk to Remember at Eisenhower Park, Long Island. 5/7

- **Roberts** also presented a workshop, “Understanding the Mind-Body-Emotion Connection in Grief,” and moderated a panel on “Addictions and Grief” at the In Loving Memory Conference (for parents with no surviving children) in Fairfax, Virginia April 8-9.

Congratulations to Assistant Vice President of Admissions **Donna Shaffner** on receiving the Distinguished Service Award at this year’s New York State Association for College Admission Counseling Conference, held at Wagner College. 6/3

Jessica Thomas, assistant professor of biology, Mary Brockett ‘15, and Pat Spica ‘16 recently published an article titled “C. elegans synchronization: Small- and large-scale protocols to isolate synchronized L1 larvae and beyond” in The Worm Breeder’s Gazette. The article describes a laboratory protocol that they optimized.

David Wittner, professor of history and director of the Center for Historical Research, has written another book. “Science, Technology, and Medicine in the Modern Japanese Empire” was published by Routledge. 4/1



Please send information and photos for KUDOS to source@utica.edu.

IN THE NEWS...



Angie Pavlovsky '15, multimedia journalist with WUTR Eyewitness News, interviews Ewa (Szymanska) Mroczek '08 about coming "home" to teach for a program that helped her as a student. 5/25

- **Jeffery Gates**, vice president of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2* multimedia journalist Kirk Tupaj about this fall's incoming class, and how plans are being made to provide housing for the additional students. 5/3
- **Luke Perry**, chair and associate professor of government and politics, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2* reporter Joleen Ferris about Donald Trump's status as the Republican party's presumptive nominee. 5/4
- The Utica College Commencement was covered by *WKTV News Channel 2*, the *Observer-Dispatch*, and *Time Warner Cable news*. **President Todd S. Hutton**, commencement keynote speaker Kevin Carroll, and valedictorian **Rose Zaloom** were interviewed. 5/8
- **David Roberts**, adjunct professor of psychology, published a blog on *The Huffington Post*, "Honoring a Mother's Path After Loss." The piece was inspired by Angela House's Walk to Remember at Eisenhower Park on Long Island. 5/16
- Chaplain **Father Paul Drobin** spoke with *Observer-Dispatch* reporter **Samantha Madison '10** about his 50 years in the Catholic priesthood. The piece was part of a new series called "Monday Morning Conversation." 5/16
- **Lisa Orr**, professor of English, published a piece on *The Huffington Post* titled "Don't Blame the Working Class." The piece was a reflection on the current political landscape in the U.S. 5/16
- **Jeffery Gates**, vice president of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, spoke with *Washington Post* education reporter Danielle Douglas-Gabriel about results to date from last year's announcement of the tuition reset. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/grade-point/wp/2016/05/17/its-been-almost-a-year-since-utica-college-abandoned-deep-tuition-discounts-heres-what-happened-after/> 5/17
- Research on light pollution done by **Bryant Buchanan**, professor of biology, and **Sharon Wise**, dean of Arts and Sciences and professor of biology, was highlighted in an article in *Delmarva Now/Delmarva Daily Times, Maryland*. 5/22
- **Ewa (Szymanska) Mroczek '08**, former Young Scholar, spoke with *WUTR Eyewitness News* reporter **Angie Pavlovsky '15** about the Young Scholars' Women in STEM program, made possible by The Women's Fund. 5/25
- **Lana Nitti '17**, chemistry major, was interviewed by *Observer-Dispatch* reporter S. Alexander Gerould about possible lead contamination on a proposed building site on Whitesboro Street, just east of the Utica Memorial Auditorium. 5/31

UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

Please visit utica.edu/hr/training for updates and to register.
For Health and Wellness events, visit utica.edu/hr/wellness

June

06/20/16 Student Employment Supervisor Training Sessions
Contact cbsummers@utica.edu for more info.

06/22/16 Student Employment Supervisor Training Sessions
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06/29/16 uPreview

July

07/04/16 Holiday. College closed in honor of Independence Day

07/06/16 Transfer Orientation. 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

07/12/16 Student Employment Supervisor Training Sessions
Contact cbsummers@utica.edu for more info.

07/25/16 TIAA Cref Individual Appointments

07/26/16 Transfer Orientation. 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Check out HR's new page for training and development:
utica.edu/hr/trainingopp.cfm

AROUND CAMPUS



UTICA ROASTERS IS HERE - FREE COFFEE FOR FACULTY AND STAFF!

Grand Opening in Common Grounds

Dining Services is pleased to announce that Utica Roasters is now being served at Common Grounds in the Library.

Please join us Tuesday and Wednesday (June 21 and 22) from 9-11:30 a.m. for a free cold brew coffee on us!
Please be sure to bring your UC ID for this promotion!

Thanks and hope to see you there.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Stay on track this summer with fun programming from the UC Health & Wellness Committee.

Pre-registration may be required for some events.

Visit utica.edu/hr/wellness/ for more information and to register.

UC HEALTH & WELLNESS FAMILY NATURE DAY

Black River Outdoor Education Program, Inc.-
Potato Hill Campus

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

Bring your family and enjoy a day at the Potato Hill Farm Campus, featuring farm animals, kayaking, hiking, biking, farm tour, and carriage rides.

No participation charge!

(Minimum 10 participants needed - register today!)

Contact Caren at cbsummers@utica.edu for more information.

ZUMBA with Doreen

Starts June 23

12:00 - 12:45 p.m.

Dance Room,
Clark Athletic Center.

Every Thursday through July 28

\$5/session

UC Community Garden

Come Join in

Near Parking Lot "F"

Across from North Hall

or more information contact

Brandy Gray-Garden Director,

bgray@utica.edu



UC Health & Wellness has organized a CSA dropoff with Common Thread Farm of Madison, NY.

Twenty employees have joined to support the farm and are receiving a box of freshly harvested organic vegetables and fruit weekly for 22 weeks - June through September.

Pick up is in 121 White Hall on Tuesdays at 2-4pm.