

KCC FOUNDATION

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KELLOGG COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION
Opening Doors and Changing Lives

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Welcome from the Executive Director

Fall is a dynamic season full of newness and change. While online classes continue, it is a welcome sight to see students in our halls and classrooms. In September, the KCC Foundation installed a healthy snack food station at the Grahl Center in Coldwater due to the efforts of three Gold Key scholars and private donations. The College's new Bruin Industrial Trades Mobile Lab debuted at Festival of the Forks in Albion. This lab, made possible through a grant from the DENSO North America Foundation, contains hands-on equipment designed to inspire students to consider careers such as welding, CNC, HVAC, machining, and electronics. We look forward to seeing the mobile lab at schools and community events in the future.

In this e-newsletter edition, we highlight our new Educated and Employed campaign, our continued partnership with the South Michigan Food Bank to assist students and the community with food needs, and pay tribute to the Kopf family.

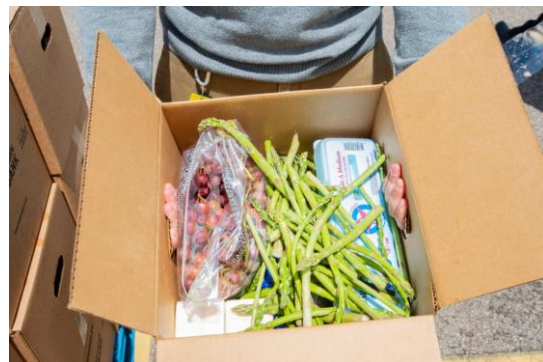
Enjoy!

Fresh Food Distribution

KCC is thrilled to be able to partner with the South Michigan Food Bank to offer Fresh Food boxes to those in the KCC community every month.

Since June, KCC has distributed nearly 500 boxes of fresh food. Boxes are limited and are given on a first-come, first-served basis. Students do not need to prove need, just provide their name, address and family size.

Boxes typically include fresh veggies and a few bakery items. When possible, there may be a protein option, milk, butter or eggs. This event is possible in partnership with a grant from the South Michigan Food Bank.





KCCF Spotlight: The Kopf Family

Combined, Randy and Pat Kopf taught 57 years at Kellogg Community College. While at KCC, Randy developed the Drafting program into the Computer-Aided Drafting and Design program. He knew how important it was to stay current so students could find successful careers with up-to-date skills.

In addition to teaching, Randy served on many college committees, most notably Academic Cabinet. He was always striving to move

KCC forward in its mission, and to support students and staff.

Pat's degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Education with a major in Mathematics served her well at KCC where she taught Technical Mathematics to students pursuing a two-year degree in engineering. She was one of the first instructors to develop and begin teaching mathematics online. Her pursuit of educational excellence was evident each day in the classroom, on college committees and with colleagues.

Randy fought a three-year battle with lung cancer and succumbed to it on June 5, 2020. Prior to his death, Pat and Randy established the Kopf Family Scholarship Fund at the KCC Foundation. With the support of many family and friends, the fund was permanently endowed in 2021 and is awarded to a KCC student majoring in Information Technology, Computer-Aided Drafting, Computer Engineering Technology or Engineering.

The Kopf Family Scholarship will be a constant reminder of Randy and Pat's compassion for student success. Their inspiring benevolence will be felt for many years to come.

November 30: Giving Day

After the whirlwind shopping days that kick off on Black Friday, take some time out on Giving Tuesday to help KCC students reach their goals.

GivingTuesday is a global movement created in 2012 as a day to encourage people to do good during what can be an often-stressful season.

Be sure to connect with us on our [Facebook page](#) on November 30 to make a difference in these students' lives.

And don't forget to set your [Amazon Smile](#) donations to the KCC Foundation when shopping on Cyber Monday.

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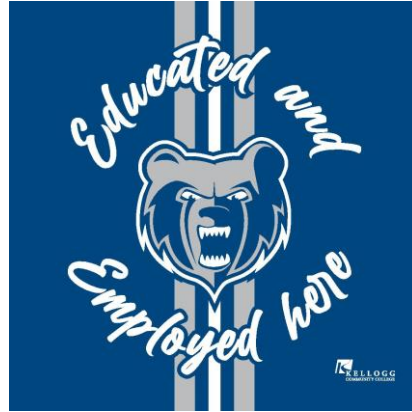


"Being a Bruin Through and Through means that I relate to my students that I teach. I have sat in their chair, I have completed the same enrollment process they have, I too was a student worker like some of them were, and I had big dreams just like they do.

I always tell them that they can accomplish anything they set their mind to, and we are all here to help them accomplish their dreams and goals. It's very rewarding to give back to them, to guide them in the right direction, and to share my learning experiences with them in hopes that they learn from them as well.

KCC has always had a special place in my heart since I was a student, it only seemed natural to become an Instructor here and continue to inspire the people in our community to do great things!"

**Kim Madsen, KCC alum
Business Faculty Member**



In Fall, 2021, the KCC Foundation launched an "Educated and Employed" campaign to highlight the amazing staff members we have at KCC who are also alums of KCC.

Alums were sent a placard to post in their office spaces to help prompt conversation about what it means to be a Bruin, and why KCC is important to them. Here are a few of our highlights!



**Ron Coller, KCC alum
Manager, User Support Services**

Learn more about KCCF!

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