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appointment and secure your Valley ID. It's a great way to complete a number of your next steps as a Valley student. Classes start Sept. 8.



VALLEY RECEIVES \$500,000 USDA GRANT FOR AGRICULTURE TRAINING PROGRAMS



Food Innovation Center Hoop Houses

Kalamazoo Valley Community College has been awarded a \$497,000 grant from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to develop a new set of programs that will train the next generation of workers in sustainable agriculture and landscape management.

The three-year project, funded through USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Education and Workforce Development program, will gather input from industry partners to identify in-demand skills for available jobs, and then draw on the expertise of Kalamazoo Valley's faculty in the sciences, agri-foods and trades to design accessible and effective new coursework focusing on agriculture, horticulture and landscape management.

The program area will include non-credit

short courses for current professionals, available as soon as the Fall 2021 semester, and a new certificate and associate degree program in Sustainable Systems for Horticulture, Agriculture, and Urban Landscapes (SSHAUL) that will launch in 2023. Courses will use Kalamazoo Valley's urban and suburban campuses as lab space, and the program will include internship, apprenticeship and work opportunities. "We are pleased to have USDA's support for this project, which will leverage college resources to build a high-quality program for learners in our community," Kalamazoo Valley President L. Marshall Washington, Ph.D. said.

The program will build upon the interdisciplinary approach of the health-food-sustainability cluster of programs housed at the Bronson Healthy Living Campus (BHLC), which celebrates its five-year anniversary in spring 2021. The

BHLC was envisioned as a catalyst for development and workforce training that would prepare students to solve complex, interdisciplinary challenges. Already on the campus, students in culinary arts courses help run an urban farm and students in nursing courses learn about the college's Food as Medicine curriculum.

In the new SSHAUL program, students will gain skills for managing landscapes and growing crops that can reduce the impacts of climate change, produce food, and support sustainable businesses. "We are launching this program at a time of great change and great opportunity in our world and the green industry," said Kalamazoo Valley's Director for Sustainable Food Systems Rachel Bair. "Landscape and agriculture jobs are safe, essential and critical to the future. We're seeing great demand for skilled workers and wide opportunity for entrepreneurship in these fields."

This month, Dr. Sara Tanis will join Kalamazoo Valley as the full-time program director for the SSHAUL program. Tanis brings extensive teaching experience in horticulture, forestry and urban ecology with a strong commitment to student success. "I am excited to support students finding career paths that will also build resilience in our community," she said. "I'm also excited about joining the team at Kalamazoo Valley. I've long been impressed with the college's focus on sustainability and I'm anxious to get started."

Industry partners are also being sought for advisory roles on the project. Robert Welch, the former director of the Horticulture and Landscape Management program

at Lansing Community College, said he has been eager to see a program like this in Southwest Michigan, and will be assisting with curriculum development. "The Green Industry is growing and changing, and Michigan needs an accessible and relevant program to meet employers' needs," Welch says. Interested industry partners can email robert.welch@kvcc.edu to get involved.

Non-credit programming will be available by contract with local employers and for open enrollment by fall of 2021. The grant funding will provide scholarships for the first cohort of students who enroll in the degree program in 2023.

For more information, contact Bair at rbair@kvcc.edu. Sign up at www.kvcc.edu/valleyhub/sshaul to receive updates as the program develops.

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REGISTER FOR FALL SEMESTER

Kalamazoo Valley Community College is welcoming students to campus both in-person and virtually for the Fall 2021 semester. Classes start Sept. 8 and registration is now open. Register at www.kvcc.edu/register.

To meet student health and safety needs, the college will continue to offer in-person, online and hybrid courses.

According to Sarah Hubbell, director of admissions, registration and records, nearly 60 percent of the classes offered will have some

in-person component, with classes being taught either completely in person or hybrid.

"The college has been offering classes primarily online since the beginning of the pandemic," Hubbell said. "We're excited to have students back on campus and have a number of great new offerings in our art, culinary and agri-food programs."

Students, faculty and staff will be required to wear face coverings and continue to follow all CDC and state guidelines as it relates to COVID-19,

according to Dannie Alexander, vice president for campus planning and operations.

"As of now, we will continue to require face coverings," Alexander said. "Obviously, that requirement could change as things evolve."

Students taking classes on campus will also be required to complete COVID-19 Safe at College Training prior to the first day of classes as well as take a daily self-screening health questionnaire on days that they will be on campus. Students, faculty and staff are highly encouraged to be

vaccinated but it is not required. The college will be hosting two outdoor events to help students get prepared for the fall semester. Called Inside Out, the events will give students the opportunity to complete the steps necessary to begin classes on Sept. 8.

- During Inside Out, attendees can:
- Receive financial aid application assistance
 - Complete placement testing
 - Meet with an advisor or counselor
 - Enroll in classes

The first event will be held Wednesday, July 28 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Arcadia Commons Campus. The following week, on Aug. 3, the event will be hosted at the Texas Township Campus from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

RSVP is required.

Students who have been accepted to the college for the Fall 2021 semester will receive an invitation to attend. Please call 269.488.4303 for more information.

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DEBT FORGIVENESS PROGRAM GETS STUDENTS BACK IN THE CLASSROOM

Kalamazoo Valley's Debt Forgiveness Program, an initiative designed specifically for students who left the college with debt and without a degree, is helping students return to school to finish a degree or certificate program.

Launched in October of 2020, the program will forgive up to \$1,000 of a student's past due balance upon successful completion of a degree or certificate – 50% of the debt upon successful completion of 12 credits or program completion (whichever occurs first) and the remaining 50% upon successful attainment of a certificate or degree.

"If existing institutional debt has held you back from achieving your academic goals, we want to

work with you," said Director of Retention and Completion Evan Pauken. "Debt shouldn't stop anyone from earning a degree or certificate."

Since it was announced, more than 70 students have applied to the program.

"A growing number of students are re-enrolling and seeing success after their first semester back in classes," Pauken said.

To be eligible, students must have:

- Left Kalamazoo Valley with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Not attended Kalamazoo Valley for six semesters
- An outstanding balance of \$1,000 or less

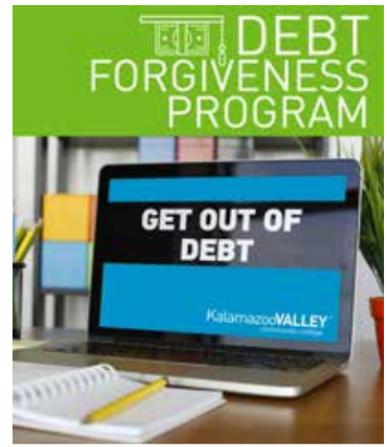
- The ability to pay in full, sign up for a payment plan, or have financial aid to cover the balance for the semester they will be re-enrolling at the time of registration (i.e. Student can cover charges for upcoming tuition and fees)
- Not already been awarded a degree or certificate from Kalamazoo Valley

Students who qualify will need to establish, modify or confirm an academic plan alongside an advisor or counselor, complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and participate in regular coaching/tutoring/mentoring as outlined by the program director. Additionally, students must

maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater and attain a certificate or degree within three academic years of re-enrollment.

The college has identified and contacted nearly 700 students who are eligible for the program. However, students who think they could qualify should visit www.kvcc.edu/debtforgiveness and complete the program application.

"I encourage anyone who thinks they could benefit from this initiative to apply," Pauken said. "Fall semester starts Sept. 8 and it's the perfect time to complete a degree or certificate."



For more information about the Debt Forgiveness Program, contact Pauken at epauken@kvcc.edu or visit www.kvcc.edu/debtforgiveness.

WTTA RECEIVES RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE



WTTA Student working in the nacelle of a wind turbine

The Wind Turbine Technician Academy at Kalamazoo Valley Community College recently received a three-year Certification of Approval for ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Systems from Lloyd's Register. Lloyd's Register is accredited to certify critical infrastructures to meet more than 700 external or internal standards, rules, codes or directives.

As the nation's leading training center for wind turbine technicians, the Wind Turbine Technician Academy at Kalamazoo Valley teaches 85% of the course through hands-on learning. Students attend Monday through Friday, eight hours a day for 24 weeks. It is the only competency-based program in the country which has earned certification by the Bildungszentrum für Erneuerbare Energien (BZEE) Renewable Energy Education Center, the premier training provider for wind turbine technicians in Europe and North America.

"Certification to ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Systems allows us to remain BZEE certified and also certified to continue delivering many of our safety programs," said Tom Sutton, director of wind energy and technical services at Kalamazoo Valley. "Quality management goes hand-in-hand with safety management. Part of the ISO 9001:2015 certification is

specifically addressing how the organization manages risk in all aspects of the operation."

To gain certification, Sutton had to provide evidence that his team evaluated, controlled and tried to reduce risk. "We had to show evidence that we operate on continuous improvement principles," he said.

The Wind Turbine Technician Academy provides a fast track to high demand/high pay jobs. Because the program was created in partnership with wind turbine manufacturers, wind energy employers, plus logistics and maintenance firms, the training content is exclusively focused on teaching the skills and abilities needed for employment.

"This certification sets the Wind Academy apart from other programs and because many wind employers also operate under ISO 9001:2015, it places us on the same field as them which makes it easier to have conversations about training opportunities and their ability to use our training records as proof of training in their programs, thus reducing overall costs to the company," Sutton said.

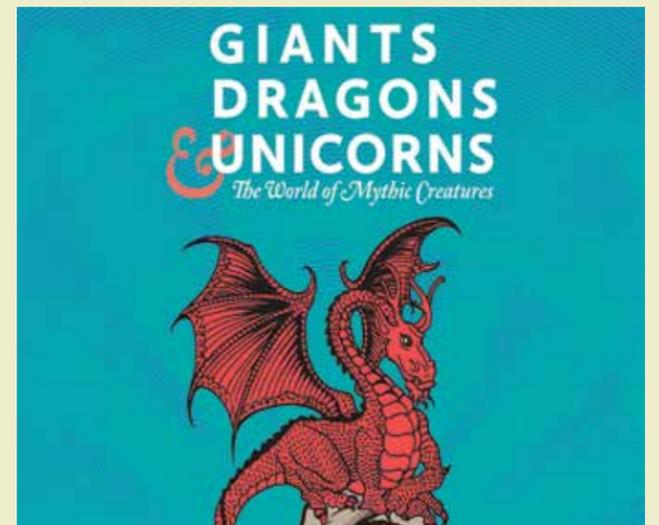
The next Wind Turbine Technician Academy begins July 6, 2021 and applications are now being accepted. Visit www.kvcc.edu/wind for more information.

VALLEY ON THE ROAD



Kalamazoo Valley Community College is celebrating the class of 2021! The college's Enrollment Management team hit the road in the Cougar Cruiser to visit area high schools and attend community events where they celebrate senior success! Armed with Kalamazoo Valley swag, they're meeting with local seniors to celebrate their accomplishments. Watch for the team at other events throughout the summer. **#CougarCruiser2021**

GIANTS, DRAGONS AND UNICORNS COME TO THE KALAMAZOO VALLEY MUSEUM THIS SUMMER



Giants, Dragons & Unicorns: The World of Mythic Creatures, on display at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum from June 15 to September 12, 2021, features unique cultural objects to highlight the surprising similarities and differences in the ways people around the world envision and depict mythic creatures.

The exhibition includes models and cast fossils of prehistoric animals to investigate how they could have — through misidentification, speculation, fear or imagination — inspired the development of several legendary creatures.

There are also numerous interactive stations throughout the exhibition. Visitors can rearrange scale models of mammoth bones to look like a human skeleton, digitally build their own dragon and watch it come alive in a virtual environment, as well as have an opportunity to take a photo with three dragons.

Kalamazoo Valley Museum Director Bill McElhone said the exhibit should be the perfect summertime diversion. "The exhibit will have wide appeal, especially for those interested in learning more about how real marine animals were mistaken for sea monsters," McElhone said. "It will provide some insight and background on how these mythical creatures came to be in so many of the world's cultures. The exhibit is visually stimulating as well. It's a great escape."

The Kalamazoo Valley Museum is now open for limited registered visitation. The museum has been working to make public visitation safe and is located on the college's downtown Arcadia Commons Campus. Go to the website at www.kalamazoomuseum.org/plan/ to register or learn more about COVID-19 related changes to operations at the museum.

Giants, Dragons & Unicorns: The World of Mythic Creatures is organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York (amnh.org).

STUDENT PROFILE: LESHIEKA WILLIAMS

Leshieka Williams always knew her true calling. That's why the Chicago native and mother of four overcame a multitude of obstacles to earn an associate of applied science in culinary arts degree from Kalamazoo Valley. "My grandmother loved baking and I was always in the kitchen with her," Williams said. "I always knew this was something I needed to do."

The now 37-year-old received her degree in May and said she couldn't have done it without the support of family, friends, faculty and staff including those from the Kalamazoo Valley Accelerated Associate Program (KVAAP). Before enrolling at Kalamazoo Valley, Williams had to finish her GED. "I was homeless at the time so it was a struggle," she said. Once she enrolled at Kalamazoo Valley, KVAAP Director Louis Thomas and his staff began to help Williams secure basic resources. "KVAAP was a huge help," she said. "They helped with a hotel, food, babysitting and transportation. I didn't even have a way to get to school. I was walking back and forth to school at first."

There were times when she was ready to give up, but she had plenty of supporters who wouldn't let that happen. She counts Louis Thomas, chef Stephanie "Chefanie" Hughes, chef Cory Barrett, chef Andrew Eggert and chef Joel Boone among those who kept encouraging her to persevere.

"You've gone too far to just give up," was the refrain she and others kept repeating when times were tough. Williams said Hughes was especially helpful when she urged her to step it up and stay focused. "Leshieka was a pleasure to have in my classes throughout the program," Chef Hughes said. "Although she had many obstacles thrown her way, her work ethic, positive attitude and talent served as the foundation for her to overcome those adversities. I knew Leshieka could succeed and graduate and I tried to encourage and coach her often; it was an honor to be her 'sounding board.' Her culinary skills and tenacity are to be commended. I am so excited Leshieka is working and excelling at a local restaurant and I look forward to watching her grow as a chef."



Leshieka Williams at work at Central City Tap House

Williams now has her own apartment and is the chef at Central City Tap House in downtown Kalamazoo. "I love cooking at Central City because I get a chance to serve a whole lot of different foods – Thai food, Asian and a little bit of Russian food. I love it all."

Williams' children range in age from 20 to 13 and they all want to become chefs like their mother. "I just want them to do

something that makes them happy," she said. Eventually Williams plans to return to Kalamazoo Valley to study business. She'll use that training to open her own catering business. "I use myself as an example and tell people that if you put your mind to it, you can do it. Don't ever believe that you can't go back and don't let anyone discourage you from being who you are. Everybody's meant to be something. I was meant to be a chef."

MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS

Kalamazoo Valley's 2021 Merit Scholarships have been awarded to 50 high school seniors from eight local counties. The Merit Scholarships are for top performing Michigan high school seniors and funds are to be used during their first two years at Kalamazoo Valley. Eligible applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.5.

Scholarship recipients are awarded a \$3,000 scholarship for their freshman year and can receive an additional award of \$3,000 for their sophomore year, if certain criteria are met.

This year's recipients had an average GPA of 3.86 and represent 24 different high schools.

Madelyn Adams

Three Rivers High School

Kiana Auton

Lawton High School

Madison Awe

Three Rivers High School

Alexandra Boven

Comstock High School

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Ayla Cross

Mattawan High School

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Paw Paw High School

Kaden Dole

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Portage Central High School

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Nadia Robinson

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Abraham Robles

Lawrence Junior/Senior High School

Kirsten Roth

Wayland High School

Amelia Ruger

Vicksburg High School

Harrison Rupp

Parchment High School

Andrew Shenfeld

Marcellus High School

Alexis Siphkema

Wayland High School

Alayna Smith

Hopkins High School

Luke Stasiuk

Three Rivers High School

Kreston Sundberg

Homeschool

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Evan Tigchelaar

Plainwell High School

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Hackett Catholic Prep

Samuel Todd

Centerville High School

Adele Wilson

Vicksburg High School

GENE HAAS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



Fred Schultz from Gerotech (L), on behalf of the Gene Haas Foundation, presented a \$15,000 check for manufacturing-related student scholarships to Kalamazoo Valley faculty member Bill Kring, Provost Paige Eagan, Ph.D. and President L. Marshall Washington, Ph.D. on May 7.

The Gene Haas Foundation's primary goal is to build skills in the machining industry by providing scholarships for CNC machine technology students. Students chosen to receive these scholarships will be awarded \$500 to \$2,500 per semester. Scholarship funds can be used for tuition, books and small personal tools which students are required to purchase for the program.

Manufacturing employers are desperate for skilled workers, according to Engineering Design and Manufacturing Technology (EDMT) faculty member Bill Kring. He says he receives phone calls almost daily from area employers who want to hire skilled trades workers. "The biggest need is in CNC and electro-mechanical maintenance-type positions," Kring said.

Because the EDMT staff work closely to tailor their curriculum and lab equipment to local industry standards, Kring is confident that Kalamazoo Valley students are well prepared to enter the work force upon graduation.

"From beginning to advanced, we're equipped to serve our students quite well," Kring said. "When our students leave us, they're ready for work. I'm quite confident that they're going to become some of the most valuable employees in any company. They can go to work in a host of capacities and they're going to be some of the best."

There are many stable, long-term employment opportunities in the industrial trades field and Kalamazoo Valley Community College is a respected provider of skilled training in these important sectors. Many scholarships, internship and apprenticeship opportunities are available. To learn more about these options and for information about how to apply to Kalamazoo Valley visit www.kvcc.edu/register.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO KALAMAZOO VALLEY!

YOUTH AND ADULT SUMMER PROGRAMMING

All courses are held at the Groves Campus unless otherwise noted. Register for classes online at www.kvcc.edu/community or by mailing a check to:

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For more information, call 269.353.1253 or email aschmidt@kvcc.edu.

THEATER CLASSES FOR AGES 12+

INTRO TO IMPROV

July 14 | 6 - 9 p.m. | \$55

Ages 12+ and adults

Want to learn to think on your feet? Improv is fun for the whole family. In this class you will learn fun games to play at your next family reunion or game night. Not only will you learn fun games, you will also improve your public speaking skills and self-confidence.

INTRO TO STAGE COMBAT

July 21 | 6 - 9 p.m. | \$75

Ages 16+ and adults

Have you ever wanted to know how fight scenes in your favorite movies look so real? Join us as we demystify the art of stage combat. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a friend to (fake) spar with.

AUDITION WORKSHOP /

INTRO TO MONOLOGUE

Aug 11 | 6 - 9 p.m. | \$65

Ages 12 - 17

Learn a monologue to audition with, what to expect at auditions and strategies to distinguish yourself. This workshop is perfect for middle school or high school students who want to audition with confidence.

INTRO TO THEATRE AND ACTING

Aug 18 | 6 - 9 p.m. | \$50

Ages 12+ and adults

If you or your child have always wanted to get involved in the theatre scene but have no idea where to start, this is the place for you. We will teach you how to get involved, how to understand stage directions and all the tips and tricks of the trade. *Special adult with youth rate of \$90.

FAMILY CLASSES FOR AGES 8+

BUILD A NEST BOX

July 19 | 6 - 8 p.m.

\$22 per person, \$18 per kit

Cavity nesting birds, including Eastern Bluebirds, Tree Swallows, House Wrens and Chickadees, are in need of nest boxes due to a loss of habitat by development. Members of the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary team will be joining us to share their knowledge and expertise for this class.



ENTREPRENEUR CLASSES FOR AGES 16+ AND ADULTS

Do you have an idea? Are you wondering if your hobby can be a side job? To make an idea or a hobby into a business, you need some knowledge and guidance on business.

OWNERSHIP OPTIONS FOR ENTREPRENEURS

June 22 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | \$35

Would you like to know the different options for owning a business? As part of this class, you'll be asked to assume a role in a made-up company. We'll then discuss the pros and cons of each type of ownership and will work together to figure out the best option for the business.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR ENTREPRENEURS

June 29 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | \$35

We'll discuss and explain many of the professional finance and accounting terms for business people who are new to the finance world. Participants will assume a role in a made-up company to get a better understanding of these financial reports and how they can impact decisions related to starting and operating a business.

FRANCHISES & BUYOUTS

July 13 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | \$35

We'll talk about how franchises operate and learn how to determine if a business for sale could be the right choice for you.

CREATING THE BUSINESS PLAN

July 20, 27, Aug 3 and 10

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | \$140

In this series of four classes we will discuss the components of a business plan to help you get started. We'll go over things such as the executive summary, pricing structure, your target market, your marketing strategy, financial projections and why you need company ethics and social responsibility.

MECHATRONICS FOR AGES 16 - 20

PRECISION MEASUREMENT

July 21 | 12 - 4 p.m. | \$125

In this hands-on course participants will learn to accurately measure mechanical components with standard precision measurement devices such as: dial calipers, dial Indicators, micrometers and feeler gauges.

BASIC MECHANICAL

July 28 and Aug 4 | 12 - 4 p.m. | \$290

This program covers the fundamental principles of safe work practices, methods of maintaining and troubleshooting mechanical plant equipment and the competencies needed to recognize and report worn part conditions.

ELECTRICAL SAFETY

Aug 11 and 18 | 12 - 4 p.m. | \$290

Participants will learn to work safely around electrical equipment in an industrial setting. The units in the course address the safety rules of electricity which are a prerequisite to Basic Electricity, Advanced Electrical and Automated Control Concepts, Sensors and Automated Electromechanical Devices and Programmable Control Systems courses.



Nesting Box

CNM AND EL CONCILIO LATINO ART EXHIBIT

A Latino Artist Exhibit to showcase the fine artwork of local Latino artists is being presented by Kalamazoo Valley's Center for New Media and El Concilio, which is the Hispanic American Council of Kalamazoo.

The event will premiere from 5:30 - 8 p.m. during the July 2 Art Hop and again on July 9 and 10 at the Center for New Media on the college's downtown Arcadia Commons Campus and online.

The event will be held in conjunction with the Latino Summer festival including July 9 when the Kalamazoo Growlers are giving El Concilio the opportunity to be Non-Profit of the Night during their baseball game against the Madison Mallards.

Physical submissions will be accepted until June 25, Monday - Thursday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the center doors of the Center for New Media. Contact Cindy Parks at 269.373.7881 or cparks@kvcc.edu to schedule a time for delivery.

The following must be submitted with your artwork: Completed Call for Entries Form and the Kalamazoo Valley Community College Loan Agreement. All artwork must be picked up after the show by Aug. 6. For more information or to access the required forms go to www.kvcc.edu/artexhibits.



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Kalamazoo Valley Community College
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VIRTUAL BAKING SHOW

The KVCC Foundation's May 13 Virtual Baking Show raised more than \$86,000 for student scholarships. During the program, Chef Cory Barrett, co-director of Kalamazoo Valley Community College's culinary arts program and the 2019 Food Network Spring Baking Champion, teamed up with college President L.

Marshall Washington, Ph.D., to present a baking demonstration. They prepared a sweet potato chocolate tart while sharing cooking tips and anecdotes.

The program also included messages from past scholarship recipients and remarks from KVCC Foundation board members. PNC Bank was the presenting sponsor.

The program and list of sponsors is available for viewing until June 30 at www.kvcc.edu/foundation. Donations for student scholarships are still being accepted.

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