Greetings,

Attention graduates! As the 2010 commencement ceremony approaches, I would like to congratulate all of our prospective graduates for all your hard work and accomplishments. I also urge all of you to take some time and enjoy the fruits of your labor. Attaining your degree required years of commitment and sacrifice, so before you tackle your next challenge, make sure you set some time aside for reflection and celebration!

I also would like to announce that we will soon be making a significant addition to our collection. Come Fall 2010, the MMCC Library will be offering the JSTOR academic database. The JSTOR database is a high-quality academic database that offers users thousands of peer-reviewed, scholarly articles, in multiple disciplines. If anyone has any questions concerning this exciting new addition, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Lastly, I just want to give a quick thanks to all of our great faculty and staff for making this past year another enjoyable one. I hope everyone has a safe summer, see you in the fall!

From the Director

Shawn R. Troy
Director

Drafting/CAD Program

Guest Writer: Eric Sander

My name is Eric Sander. I am the lead faculty for the Drafting/CAD Department at Mid Michigan Community College. I have been teaching at MMCC for 8 years. Before I came to MMCC I taught drafting, CAD, and woodworking classes at Harrison High School as well as St. Louis High School. For the past 10 years, during the summer months when I am not teaching, I work as a Product Designer for a company in Mt. Pleasant called The Delfield Company. My position as a Designer at Delfield allows me to keep my knowledge and ability as a CAD designer up to date with the current demands and requirements of the "real world" and, at the same time, allows me to bring my work experience as a Designer back to the classroom at MMCC. In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my wife, Melissa, and my 3 young boys Ethan, Carson, and Gavin. My personal interests include playing and watching sports, playing the guitar, and fishing.

The thing I enjoy most about teaching at MMCC is constantly meeting new students each semester and sharing what I know about the Drafting/CAD industry in hopes to prepare them for a future in CAD or a related field. It is an amazing feeling to be part of teaching a student a skill that they enjoy and watching them successfully enter a career that can help enhance their future. Many students begin my program knowing very little about drafting or CAD and within 1-2 years they are prepared for an entry level position in drafting, design, or engineering.

My Drafting/CAD Program works closely with the Welding Department at MMCC which is headed by Mark Jewell. Mark and I share many students who are taking drafting/CAD and welding classes at the same time. Our students frequently work on joint projects for the community that require them to understand the relationship between drafting/CAD welding, and manufacturing. For example, our programs just completed a team project where my CAD students designed a 3-dimensional metal dinosaur skeleton puzzle that is approx. 5 feet tall. MMCC CAD students used AutoCAD & SolidWorks to create the dinosaur design. Then, we were able to use our CAD drawings to communicate with some of the CNC and robotic cutting and welding machines Mark Jewell has in his lab. The end result is located outside MMCC's Media Center.

If you have any questions regarding MMCC's Drafting/CAD Program feel free to call 989 386-6676 or email Eric Sander at esander@midmich.edu

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Four Habits That Help You Avoid Losing Your Stuff

Jared Bruner

1. Keep receipts: That way, if you suddenly realize that you left your Kindle, keys, or other belongings behind, you are only a phone call away from starting to recover them. Receipts often include important information you may not know or remember, such as the name of the person who helped you, and that person may remember you and your lost item.

2. Label everything: Whether you use laser-printed return address labels or fancy professional asset tags, labeling your belongings gives finders a way to reach you and return the item. Most people are honest enough to be willing to help you if you make it easy for them to do the right thing.

3. Pack consistently: If you always store each piece of gear in the same place, you’re more apt to notice when something isn’t where it belongs. For instance, if you consistently put your phone in your inside coat pocket, you have a better chance of realizing that it’s not there as you leave a restaurant. Get into the habit of knowing which pockets your essential items live in, and you’ll be less likely to leave them behind.

4. Accessorize: Covering your Smartphone in a flashy case may suggest that you look to Petulant Tween magazine for tips on style and aesthetics, but it’ll also make your handset catch your eye on a cluttered restaurant table. If you tend to leave things behind, sacrificing a little dignity in return for maximum visibility may save you headaches in the long run.

Welcome to the Library Team’s Latest Addition!
Can you help us name him?

Stop in the library and see our new mascot – a metal work Tyrannosaurus Rex. Now he just needs a new name, can you help us?

Pick your favorite name from the following sample list; the name with the most votes wins! Please stop in the library or email us at library@midmich.edu with your vote!

DONNA THE DINOSAUR
FETCH
STEELEY
MUNCH
WILBER
MIDREX THE LAKERSAURUS
THESAURUS REX
JACKSON
SEXY REXY
HANK
PERCIVAL
TONEY T-Rex
IRON MAIDEN
2-BARNEY
WERther

2-SPARKY
TEX
LOOP-DEE REX
CORLAND
BENGE
DIONO
CHOMPER
RUSTY
SIDE SHOW BOB
DINO
TYRONE
REPTAR
DINO DAN
STEVE
BRUTTIS

PERCY
DANGEROUS DINO-DIVA
WELDY
RASCALIAN
2-REXY
TIBERIOUS
ALUMI-ASAURUS REX
TANNER THE T-Rex
STRONG BONES REX
ALFRED THE 1ST
TRANNEY SOURS
SCRAP
BILLY DUKE
KNUCKLES
FREDY RUST

Congratulations to our 2010 Graduates!
Best Wishes from the Library Team

There is a good reason they call these ceremonies ‘commencement exercises.’”
Graduation is not the end; it’s the beginning.

Orrin Hatch