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December 6	Open Casting Call FCC Foundation
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December 13	Santa Breakfast
December 15-18	Final exams
December 18	Textbook rentals due to Bookstore
December 22- January 2	College Closed

# FRONTIER COMMUNITY COLLEGE VOYAGER



A proud moment for Automotive Technology Instructor Rodney Maxey as he holds the Master Level Accreditation certificate from NATEF. Pictured left to right: President Jay Edgren, Maxey, and Interim Dean of Instruction Linda Monge.

## Automotive Technology Program Receives Master Level NATEF Accreditation

The Automotive Technology Program at Frontier Community College (FCC) has received accreditation by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF) and The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE). The Automotive Technology program has been accredited in the following areas: Engine Performance, Automatic Transmissions and TransAxels, Manual Drive Trains, Suspension and Steering, Brakes, Electronics System, Air Conditioning, and Engine Repair.

To achieve this coveted recognition, the school's automotive training program underwent rigorous evaluation by NATEF. Nationally accepted standards of excellence in areas such as instruction, facilities, and equipment were used.

"This is great news for automotive-minded young people and their parents," said Donald

Seyfer, NATEF Chair. "Because this program increases cooperation between local education and industry leaders, it gives added assurance that Frontier Community College's graduates will be employable entry-level technicians. As a result of the quality education provided by Frontier Community College, the motoring public will benefit since better repair technicians will join the work force."

Upon completion of the evaluation, NATEF recommended that FCC be accredited by The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE). ASE is a national non-profit organization which tests and certifies repair technicians, in addition to accrediting automotive training programs.

Rodney Maxey, Automotive Technology Lead Faculty began working a year ago preparing for the NATEF visit. "We have worked closely with NATEF to make certain

that our program would meet strict industry standards, and now we are delighted to join the ranks of the ASE accredited training programs. Students will be assured of a quality education, and shop owners will be assured of getting quality job applicants."

There are three levels of accreditation available and FCC received the Master level - the highest level.

The Automotive Technology Program is in its 15th year at FCC with Maxey as the lead faculty from the onset. The program offers a two-year Associate in Applied Science degree and four certificate options. The program has been expanded to offer dual-credit courses to Edwards County High School and Fairfield Community High School on FCC's campus.

# Open Casting Call for Spring Theater

The Frontier Community College Foundation is planning a fundraiser theater event April 10 and 11, 2015, showcasing local talent.

Gruen Vocal Studio is holding an Open Casting Call on Saturday, December 6, at the Journey in Fairfield located at 900 Leininger Road beginning at 9 a.m. Auditions will be first come, first serve and the audition material will be provided.

Major Roles needed are as follows:

2 Males 30-45 yrs. old  
Male 35-50 yrs. old  
Female 25-35 yrs. old  
Male and Female 35-60 yrs. old  
Supporting role Male ages 16-60  
Supporting role Female ages 16-60

For additional information on the Open Casting Call, contact Katie Gruen at 618-599-4333.

All proceeds will go to the Frontier Community College Foundation.

## Who's Who in 2014-2015 at FCC

Frontier Community College announces students who have been included in the 2014-2015 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. These select students join an elite group from more than 1,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and several foreign nations. Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

The students have been selected based on their academic achievement, community service, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

The 2014-2015 Who's Who students are:

**Carmi:** Michelle Carter

**Cisne:** Aaron Billington, Nicole Locey

**Fairfield:** Crystal Bunnage, Jennifer Matthews, Brodey Murbarger, Carrie Stephens, Sarah Pickens, Shalee Thomason, Bradley Yeager

**Flora:** Courtney Petty

**Johnsonville:** Emily Sams

**Mt. Erie:** Bayli Gill

**Norris City:** Joplin Tedford

**Springerton:** Kelli Rush



A kick-off planning meeting for the formation of the Frontier Community College Alumni Network has been set for January 15 at 6 p.m. in Foundation Hall.

Attendees will brainstorm ideas on events, services, and activities that can be provided as FCC Alumni.

To register for the evening, or for additional information contact Alyssa Parrott, Coordinator of Career Services.

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An Alumni Network application has been posted at:  
[Facebook.com/frontiercareersalumni](https://www.facebook.com/frontiercareersalumni)



## Library Christmas Tree

The Learning Resource Center staff have shown their love for books and knowledge through a Christmas tree display built with books. One person suggested a game of Jenga! Pictured left to right: Director of the Learning Resource Center Merina Youngblood, Student Worker Mandy Greppes, and Library Technician Robert Tennyson.



## One.Love Christian Club

The One.Love Christian Club at Frontier Community College meets on a weekly basis with devotions led by the students. Club members are sending a Christmas care package to a soldier in Afghanistan. They also purchased items and filled two boxes for the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox through the Samaritan's Purse International Relief organization. In October, the Club donated a basket to the Student Senate Fall Carnival to be raffled.



# Adult Literacy Tutor Eunice Golden Ends 15 Years of Volunteer Service

A longtime adult literacy volunteer tutor, Eunice Golden of Clay County, has retired after 15 years of service to Frontier Community College's Adult Education Program. The FCC staff will always be grateful for her generosity in time and commitment to adult learners.



Eunice began volunteering as an adult literacy volunteer tutor in 1999 following her retirement from the North Clay Community Unit School. As a tutor Eunice worked one-on-one with ten adult learners who read at a 9th grade level or below. From 2002 to 2007, Eunice also taught GED Prep classes in Flora.

### Tutors Dyslexic Student

Eunice found volunteer tutoring very rewarding. She recalls an adult learner she tutored for several years who was diagnosed with Dyslexia and could not read above a 2nd grade level. Dyslexia is a learning disability that is language based where individuals may read or write words and letters in the wrong order and

have difficulty memorizing numbers, doing math, and organizing language. Over the years, the adult learner made great strides and went on to attend college classes. Eunice continued tutoring him with college homework assignments. He earned an associate degree in auto body repair at Olney Central College and a Graphic Arts and Design certificate from Frontier Community College.

### Tutored English as Second Language

Eunice has also tutored individuals who were trying to learn English as a second language. She recalls a few years ago tutoring a Japanese lady in Flora whose husband was working for North American Lighting. More recently she has tutored a Spanish speaking lady at Red Brush Christian Church in Louisville.

### Donations to Adult Education Program

The Modern Woodmen of the World in Flora recently recognized Eunice for her many years of service as an educator and presented a \$100 donation to an organization of her choice. Eunice chose the Literacy Program at FCC.

In 2011, Eunice made a \$1,000 donation to the Adult Education Program in honor

of three former Adult Ed staff members: Lyndal Hefley, Brenda Helm, and Jan Herman. The donation was split between the Adult Literacy and GED programs.

In 2006, Eunice received the distinguished award as Teacher of the Year from Fairfield's Super Wal-Mart. At the time, "Strive for Excellence" was Wal-Mart's motto, and the information submitted on Eunice proved that she went above and beyond in helping individual students succeed. Wal-Mart donated \$1,000 to the Adult Education Program on her behalf to be used towards GED testing fees.

### Educational Career

Eunice began her teaching career in 1963 at Clay City High School teaching home economics for three years. She then switched over to the Clay County Home Extension where she served for one year as an advisor. In 1968 she began teaching the elementary levels at Lincoln School in Flora, which merged and became part of the Flora school district. Eunice taught second, third, and fifth grades in this district for 25 years until her retirement in 1993. Following her retirement, Golden taught three years at Mason Christian Academy in Effingham.

