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TRIO LEADERS

Penny Dockery and Susan Bolling participated in the Emerging Leaders Program for the TRIO Virginia and West Virginia Associations of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (W/VAEOPP) at the annual conference held in Charlottesville in November. Regenia Massey, who is the former Virginia State TRIO President, is a member of the leadership training team and also serves as a mentor for the emerging leaders.



Penny Dockery



Susan Bolling



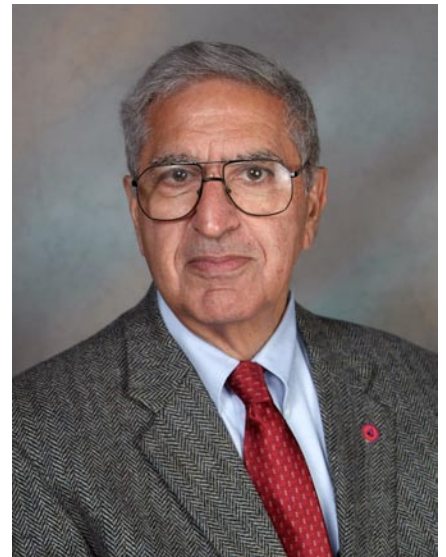
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ISAAC RECEIVES AWARD

Mr. Robert E. (Bob) Isaac, Sr., member of MECC's Local Board and Foundation Board, received the VCCS State Board Chair's Award for being an outstanding board member. The award was presented by State Board Chairman Mark Graham at the VCCS State Board Annual Meeting this fall.



FOWLER RECOGNIZED

Manufacturing Professor Wendell Fowler has been elected Director - District 3 of the Community College and Technical Institute Division of National Association of Industrial Technology (NAIT).

He was also selected by his peers within the Community College and Technical Institute Division of NAIT to receive the 2007 NAIT CCTI Industrial Technology Regional Outstanding Faculty Award.



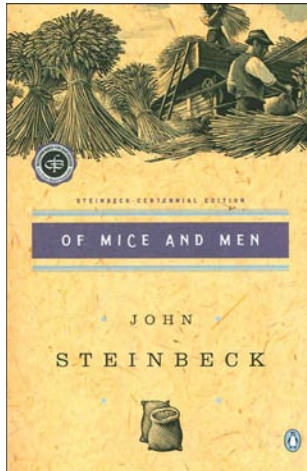
*Problems cannot be solved
by thinking within the
framework in which the
problem was created.*

Albert Einstein

Source: Quote A Day

BANNED BOOKS: A Book Discussion

Thursday, December 6,
12:15-1:00
Wampler Library
Lead by Lisa Butcher



This month's topic is Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck. With over 40 documented challenges for this title, Of Mice and Men is the second most frequently banned book in the public school curriculum of the 1990's.

HOLIDAY EVENTS/SCHEDULE

Friday, December 7
MECC Holiday Luncheon
Goodloe Center
11:30 - 2:00

Monday, December 10
ACE Holiday Luncheon
Goodloe Center
12:00

The college will be closed December 21 -
January 1 for the holiday.

Faculty/Staff In-Service will be held Monday,
January 7, beginning at 8:00 am.

SAFETY AT WORK

Hazard Detection

Be a Hazard Detective all the time.



- **Look for obvious hazards**, such as wet floors, open drawers, overloaded outlets, and other signs of poor housekeeping.
- **Check machine guards**. Make sure all guards are in place, intact, and functioning properly.
- **Make sure tools are in good working order**. On power tools, for example, check for frayed cords, sparks, or smoke.
- **Inspect personal protective equipment (PPE)** every time you use it. Never assume it hasn't been damaged or finally worn out.
- **Obey locks and tags** on equipment that is being serviced or repaired.
- **Look for fire and explosion hazards**, such as overheated equipment, overloaded outlets, and lit cigarettes.
- **Look for chemical hazards** on labels and material safety data sheets (MSDSs).
- **Plan your lifts** to remove hazards and protect your back.

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FAST *i*ps

A weekly feature by the Office of
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Employees who have moved in the past year
must notify payroll of their address change to en-

sure that year end W-2 Employee Wage and Earning
Statements are sent to the correct address.

If possible, please place orders to avoid delivery
during days the college is closed for the holidays.

The telephone number to listen to MECC
schedule changes is 523-7495. Do not try to leave
messages.