Carissa Scarfi (Class of 2011), was selected by (SUNY) to be featured as a part of their postcard campaign to the New York State Legislature on how community colleges transform lives. Through her student leadership experiences on campus, she found her calling in Professional Communications and transferred to SUNY Farmingdale, where she will continue her studies in this field.

Patrick Rueb (Class of 2003), was recently selected as one of the top 50 Volkswagen mechanics in the nation. Mr. Rueb was the only Volkswagen mechanic from Long Island to meet the criteria for selection. There are more than 4,500 Volkswagen mechanics nationwide. He is a graduate of the College's Automotive Technology Program. The Program is housed in a 20,000 square-foot state-of-the-art facility, equipped with the latest technology including: nine fully functional shop bays; classrooms with the latest wireless technology enabling access to technical data for all makes and models of automobiles; Hunter Computerized Alignment Machines, Hunter Balancing Equipment; Mitchell On-Demand in all classes and a computerized engine analyzer and vehicle dynomometer that conforms with current New York State Inspection requirements. The instruction, course of study, facilities and equipment in the program were evaluated by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF) and were found to meet the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) standards of quality for the training of automobile technicians in all areas.


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The College was recently rated among the nation's fastest-growing two-year schools by *Community College Week*. Suffolk was ranked number 42 out of the nation's top 50 fastest growing community colleges with enrollments greater than 10,000 students. The rating was based on a review of the enrollment of more than 1,100 community colleges nationwide. The ranking was based on Suffolk's 8% increase in enrollment from the fall of 2009 to the fall of 2010. In the fall of 2010, the College reported an enrollment of 26,719 students. I believe our enrollment growth is reflective of our exceptional programs, highly trained and dedicated faculty and staff, and the College's ability to provide the best academic experiences for all who attend.



SCCC alumna Carissa Scarfi (center) was part of SUNY's campaign on how community colleges transform lives.

Suffolk County Community College Professor of Nursing, Lisa Quinones, was recently honored for her global efforts to educate students, health advocates and underserved populations in Latin America with an Inspired Comfort Award presented by Cherokee Uniforms. Professor Quinones was one of only seven recipients nationwide who receive this prestigious award. The Inspired Comfort Award is granted by Cherokee Uniforms as a way to nationally recognize the unique skills, characteristics and work of nurses who provide exceptional service, sacrifice and innovation while positively impacting others' lives. An advanced nurse practitioner, Professor Quinones spends vacations crossing borders and traveling the world to help others by leading medical missions to areas of Honduras, Panama and the Dominican Republic. For her efforts, Professor Quinones also received Suffolk County's annual "Woman of Distinction" Award.



Dr. McKay and Legislator Nowick salute the humanitarian efforts of Professor Lisa Quinones.

Other noteworthy recognition this year includes: Adjunct Professor of English Edward Stever was named Suffolk County Poet Laureate. Dr. Tina Good, Professor of English was sworn in as the Faculty Council of Community College's representative on the State University of New York Board of Trustees.