I am pleased to share this 2011-2012 Annual Report. Paul D. Camp Community College is working hard to enhance the lives of our students and community. Highlighted in this report are a few of our accomplishments, along with some of the extraordinary people who are a part of our college.

Our students are our focus as we prepare them for a variety of meaningful careers to continue their education. This spring, we graduated our largest class with 310 degrees and certificates. Also, we are helping prepare the next generation of our regional workforce through a $1.25 million Upward Bound grant to be used over five years. This program opens the door of academic opportunity for local high school students who may never consider college if these services were not provided.

In this report, you will read about one of our successful students, Ida Thompson. She is the recipient of the prestigious Valley Proteins Fellowship, as well as other local scholarships. She is one of the many students who is being assisted through our Financial Aid and Scholarship programs.

This exceptional work with students could not be accomplished without our dynamic team of more than 160 full- and part-time faculty and staff. There are many accomplishments worthy of recognition from this team of dedicated professionals, including Dr. Harriette Arrington, Dean of Hobbs Suffolk campus, who was recently honored by her peers as the recipient of the Excellence in Education Award and Dr. Justin Oliver, Associate Math Professor, along with English instructor, Mrs. Nancy Warren, who were selected to attend the first Chancellor’s Developmental Education Institute as representatives of the college. You will read more about Dr. Oliver’s accomplishments inside, along with a feature honoring Dr. Patsy Joyner, campus leader who served our college for 31 years.

Life on our campuses is exciting. In October, the college was designated as a “Military Friendly School” by G.I. Jobs magazine for embracing America’s military service members and veterans as students. We have opened a Barnes and Noble Bookstore on both of our campuses to provide the best prices for our students and to serve our entire community.

These things could not have happened without the support from our friends. Throughout the year, many generous donors invest in the lives of our students and in the happenings at the college. This year, in honor of our 40th Anniversary of service and the inauguration of the college’s 7th president, the 40/7 Society was founded. Through this effort, we have created an endowed scholarship that will help a non-traditional student each year in perpetuity.

Finally, we will be giving you more updates and information through the college’s redesigned Web site, www.pdc.edu, and our newly launched Facebook page. Here you can see our students and hear their stories. You will see the expertise of our faculty and staff at work and find many examples of our responsiveness to the community. These are the true testaments of the impact of your support to our mission. Thank you!

Paul Wm. Conco, PhD
President
STUDENTS IN ACTION

VALLEY PROTEINS FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Students are the lifeblood of any college. At Paul D. Camp Community College, we are pleased to recognize our wonderful award-winning students.

Ida Thompson of Suffolk, an education major, was recently selected as a member of the second class of the Valley Proteins Fellows scholarship program, administered by the Virginia Foundation for Community College Education. Valley Proteins Fellows represent the best and most motivated scholars who demonstrate both academic and leadership potential, along with a great desire to excel.

Ms. Thompson was also awarded four other local scholarships and serves as a presidential student ambassador and social media ambassador lead. Thompson is a member of the Omega Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. Her goal is to earn her bachelor degree in political science and apply to law school.

BOBBY B. WORRELL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Mr. Jordan Hewett of Sedley is the 2011-2012 recipient of the distinguished Bobby B. Worrell Scholarship. He is the inaugural winner of this scholarship, developed in honor of the longtime Executive Director of the Elms Foundation.

Mr. Hewett is a general studies/education major at the College. He has been extremely active in high school and community organizations, and is a member of the National Honor Society and the Rock Church of Franklin Youth Group. He is president of the PDCCC Science Club and serves as a presidential student ambassador. He is also an Eagle Scout and a junior assistant Scout Master with Boy Scout Troop 125.

Mr. Hewett also has been the recipient of two Good Citizenship citations from the American Legion and the Good Citizen Medal from the Hickford Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and has earned numerous other community scholarships.

Amanda Sowerby of Suffolk

Another of our shining stars is Ms. Amanda Sowerby of Suffolk. She was selected as the Paul D. Camp Community College recipient of the George Y. Birdsong Commonwealth Legacy Scholarship in 2011. This scholarship is awarded to those who achieve high academic excellence and have a commitment to leadership skills. These are among the many other criteria for this award.

The scholarship is annually named at each school in the Virginia Community College System for the recipient of the Chancellor’s Leadership in Philanthropy Award. Ms. Sowerby, an honors graduate of Lakeland High School, earned an advanced studies diploma. After completing two years in Education at PDCCC, she would like to transfer to Virginia Commonwealth University. Her plans are to become an art teacher or a professional graphic artist. Amanda serves as a presidential student ambassador.

TREMAIN ASHBURN IS A “STAND-OUT” CAREER STUDIES CERTIFICATE GRADUATE

After taking three years of brick masonry and carpentry classes in high school, Tremain Ashburn of Franklin wanted to learn an additional trade. He heard about the HVAC program at PDCCC and enrolled.

He worked full time while participating in the sport of boxing six to seven days a week, also while taking classes at the college. Ashburn graduated from Paul D. Camp Community College with a Career Studies Certificate in Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning. He got his foot in the door by securing a job as a shipfitter at Huntington Ingalls Industries in Newport News.

He stated that the college gave him the opportunity to expand his knowledge and improve his skills, so that he was able to be well-rounded in the job market.

COMMUNITY LEADERS

PAUL D. CAMP COMMUNITY FACULTY TAKE LEAD ROLE IN STATE EFFORT

Dr. Justin Oliver of Suffolk, mathematics professor at the College, was selected to attend the Virginia Community College System’s first Chancellor’s Developmental Education Institute offered in partnership with the National Center for Developmental Education. In this role, he helped to shape programming and learning experiences for students statewide participating in developmental math. He also is campus leader for the redesign of the college’s developmental math initiative.

Dr. Oliver serves on the Planning and Effectiveness Committee, the Quality Enhancement Plan Committee and the Developmental Math Redesign Curriculum Team.

Recently, he earned his Doctorate of Education degree in higher education administration from Regent University. Hired as a full-time instructor in 2004, Dr. Oliver teaches developmental math courses, math for liberal arts, pre-calculus and statistics.

CAMP FAMILY FOUNDATIONS WINS 2012 VIRGINIA CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP IN PHILANTHROPY

The Camp Family Foundations is a longtime philanthropic foundation in the Western Tidewater region. They have supported the College in many ways over the years and in 2012, earned the Chancellor’s Award for Leadership in Philanthropy. Receiving this distinguished honor on behalf of the Camp Family Foundations was its Executive Director, The Honorable Westbrook Parker.

The Foundations have funded a number of different initiatives at Paul D. Camp Community College, including the following:

• Camp to Camp scholarships
• Dual Enrollment Camp-Opportunity Scholarships for high school students
• Career coaches who work directly with high school students
• Staff development opportunities

The Camp Foundations include The Camp Foundation, The Ruth Camp and Henry Campbell Foundation, The Ruth Camp Campbell Charitable Trust and The Camp Younts Foundation. The Elms Foundation is the operating organization which administers activity under each foundation.

LONG-TIME VP OF INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT RECEIVES NAMING HONOR AT THE COLLEGE

In 2012, Dr. Patsy Joyner retired after 31 years of service to the College and the community. In honor of her achievements and contributions, the designation of “Professor Emeritus” was recently bestowed upon her.

In addition to this recognition, donors in the local community provided funding to underwrite the naming of the College’s primary board room in her honor. The new “Dr. Patsy R. Joyner Board Room,” is located in the Franklin campus administrative offices suite.

“Dr. Joyner earned the respect of her colleagues and community members as a tireless and faithful advocate for the College and this recognition is very well deserved,” said Dr. Paul Conco, PDCCC President.

CARROLL STORY RECEIVES THE J. PAUL COUNCILL, JR. COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

International Paper employee, Mr. Carroll Story, was named the eighth recipient of the J. Paul Councill, Jr. Community Service Award. He was selected for this distinguished honor due to tireless advocacy efforts related to the closure and reopening of the International Paper plant.

He has played a significant role in the hiring, orientation, and training process for new Franklin Mill employees as they learn the skills to produce the new fluff product. Our community is a better place because of the outstanding service and dedication of Mr. Story.

Tremain Ashburn of Franklin

Dr. Paul Wm. Conco and Mr. Carroll Story