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## Foundation Blazes Pathway to the Future

Fundraising for ACC's *Pathways to the Future* Campaign Begins; Foundation on it's way to reaching \$1.6 million

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This spring ACC's Foundation began the silent phase of fundraising for the *Pathways to the Future* campaign. *Pathways to the Future* is a program started by the ACC Foundation to improve the laboratories and art facilities on ACC's campus. The goal of ACC's Foundation is to raise approximately half the total cost of the project.

The silent phase does not mean the campaign is a secret, but that members of the Foundation are not making it a large public event just yet, said Penny Bartosh, Executive Director of the ACC Foundation.

According to information packets about *Pathways to the Future*, the two pathways are: "Laboratories for the Future" and "Art's Alive at ACC."

The "Laboratories for the Future" pathway will

upgrade and expand ACC's computer laboratories in the Besser Technical Center. This pathway will also create a computer laboratory that will support the seven new technical training programs. Also, science labs in the Natural Resources Center will be updated. Lastly, a new telecommunications lab will be developed.

"Arts Alive at ACC," the second pathway, will relocate the fine arts program to the Graphic Arts building located directly on ACC's campus. The building will be renovated and expanded. This pathway will provide new labs and facilities for the arts programs that are now found at ACC's East Campus.

"The projects that make up the Pathways program are very much needed here on campus. They focus on allowing us to be more effective in the delivering of instructional activities," stated Dr. Don Newport, President of ACC.

According to Bartosh, the Foundation has already collected about \$400,000. She believes half of the \$1.6 million goal may be met by midsummer. After which, the members of the Foundation will hold a

"Good Morning Alpena" breakfast to celebrate the kickoff for the fundraising project. Bartosh hopes that the breakfast will bring community leaders together and get members of the area excited about the *Pathways to the*

*Future* campaign.

By December of 2003 the \$1.6 million goal will hopefully be reached, said Dr. Newport. That is when the state will match the amount that ACC's Foundation has raised. The total project is

estimated at about \$3.5 million. When all these financial goals are met, ground breaking for the *Pathways to the Future* project will occur. That event can be expected sometime in 2004, according to Dr. Newport.



Prediction of what the new Fine Arts Addition will look like.

Photo courtesy Integrated Architecture

## Davis' Replacement Decided, Arrival in May

Dr. MaryAnn Carlson takes Dr. Curt Davis' place as Vice President

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Since Dr. Curt Davis' announcement of retirement, the administration at ACC has been looking for a replacement suitable to fill the position he will leave behind. The search has now ended and a candidate has been chosen.

Dr. Mary Ann Carlson is currently Dean of Instruction at Eastern Idaho Technical College. On May 19<sup>th</sup>, she will arrive at Alpena Community College to begin her work as the college's new Vice President.

Dr. Carlson grew up in Hoopeston, Illinois. She lived there until just after high school. After two years at Purdue, she went on to earn

a Bachelor of Science degree in Housing Policies from Colorado State University. Then she worked towards a Master's in Planning and Community Development from the University of Colorado in Denver.

Most recently, she attained an Educational Doctorate in Community College Leadership from the University of Texas.

Before being named Dean of Instruction, Carlson held several titles, including Dean of the Division of Business and Information Systems, Director of Continuing Education, Director of the Small Business Development Center, City Planner, and Director of the Trinidad Downtown Development Project.

In her time at Eastern Idaho Technical College, Dr. Carlson has developed three practical nursing programs at off-campus locations and a part-time evening program on campus.

She also helped turn EITC from a school into a college, with higher course quality and rigor, convenient course scheduling, and improved instructor credentials. She also gained national accreditation for her work in developing the surgical technician program.

Eastern Idaho Technical College has a much lower student population than ACC, which Carlson does not foresee as a complication in her work here.

With experience at schools of varying sizes, from 1,500 to 10,000 students, she is "looking forward to returning to a college that is a little bigger than EITC."

Dr. Carlson also shared some other reasons for applying here. "The good reputation of the college, the President, the Board, and the community" were all factors in her choice.

She also spent some time in Michigan as a child and fell in love with the area. "Last but not least, I felt very comfortable with the interactions I had at the college and in the community when I visited for my interview."

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### Bellows Instructor of the Year



Photo by Jessica Thiem

**John Bellows explains metabolic reactions to his students in one of his Physiology classes in preparation for finals week. Bellows was elected ACC's Instructor of the Year for the 2002-2003 school year. Congratulations.**



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