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COUNTY SHERIFF MILDRED SCOTT RECEIVES L'HOMMEDIU AWARD

Middlesex College presented the Paige D. L'Hommedieu Award to Middlesex County Sheriff Mildred Scott during the College's Fall Convocation August 28.

Established in 1974 in honor of the founding chair of the Middlesex College Board of Trustees, the award is the highest honor bestowed by the College.

"Mr. L'Hommedieu participated in a wide variety of civic activities and was known throughout his lifetime as a humanitarian who worked tirelessly on behalf of his fellow citizens," said Middlesex College President Mark McCormick.

"Sheriff Scott has demonstrated throughout her career the kind of unselfish devotion, public commitment, personal idealism, and spirit of volunteerism that Paige D. L'Hommedieu exemplified."

A career public servant, Sheriff Scott has served as a council member in Piscataway, a Middlesex County Freeholder, and sheriff of Middlesex County.

"Sheriff Scott is a true friend to Middlesex College, generously volunteering her professional knowledge, insight, and support to the Middlesex College Police Department, helping to ensure a safe environment for our campus community," said Mark Finkelstein, Chair of the Middlesex College Board of Trustees.

Sheriff Scott was a trailblazer throughout her law enforcement career. She was among the first women to graduate from the Middlesex County Police Academy and was the first female to be named chief sheriff officer in Middlesex County. In 2011, she became the first female sheriff in Middlesex County and the first African American sheriff in New Jersey.



As sheriff, Scott made significant improvements to the management of the sheriff's office, contributing to a more efficient operation, increasing outreach into communities and providing cost savings to the citizens of Middlesex County.

Chief among her many accomplishments, she undertook a complete overhaul of the law enforcement policies and procedures at the Middlesex County Sheriff's Office, which led to accreditation status by the New Jersey State Chiefs of Police Association in 2013. Only 10 other sheriff's offices in the state have achieved this prestigious status.

"Receiving this year's Paige L'Hommedieu Award does more than recognize my efforts and contributions to our community, it represents a significant milestone in my career," said Sheriff Scott.

"And it is my hope that my achievements, both individually and collectively as a member of the law enforcement community, pave the way for continued progress and diversity in Middlesex County and beyond."

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS

WELCOMING NEW STUDENTS



First-year and transfer students were invited to a series of events during **New Student Week**. During this period of getting to know the campus community, students had the chance to learn about a variety of important resources such as library and tutoring services, Canvas and eLearning, disability services, financial aid, and more. The week culminated in **Celebration Day** where new students and their family members mingled with current students, alumni, faculty and staff at multiple events on campus.



The **Equal Opportunity Fund (EOF)** rolled out the welcome mat for new EOF students during its Summer Scholar Institute orientation.



First and second year **Radiography** students enjoyed a meet and greet, followed by a “Stop the Bleed” workshops presented by Hackensack Meridian Health trauma injury prevention professionals.



Admissions and Recruitment held an orientation for new **international students**.



The **Center for the Enrichment of Learning and Teaching** ushered in the new semester with a Professional Day. Keynote speaker and Middlesex College alumna Thea Zunick presented “From Adversity to Achievement: Fostering Resilience and Self-Motivation to Inspire Student Success,” which focused on the power of resilience and self-motivation to inspire students and help shape their success.

Highland Park School District	President McCormick, Vice President Scherr, Executive Dean Laureano, Assistant Deans Howell and Orosz, and K-12 Partnerships Director Hooper	Met with Highland Park Superintendent Nicosia and team and explored opportunities for collaboration, including expanding Dual Enrollment
Johnson & Johnson and Janssen Pharmaceutical	President McCormick, Vice President Scherr, Dean Duzgoren-Aydin, Assistant Dean Howell, Acting Chair Ansonoff, and Professor Martiney	Met with staff from Johnson & Johnson and Janssen Pharmaceutical about aseptic training opportunities
Middlesex County	President McCormick, Vice President Scherr, and Executive Dean Laureano	Met with County Director of Human Resources Patrick Gallagher and team regarding potential internships for Middlesex College students at County departments and agencies
Middlesex County	President McCormick, Vice President Scherr, Dean Duzgoren-Aydin, and Executive Director Coffaro	Met with County Director of Business Engagement Sandy Castor and team to explore ways to support small businesses in Middlesex County

Wednesday, June 28	UPS Education Expo	Monroe
Tuesday, July 18	New Jersey Chamber of Commerce Latino Expo	Edison
Tuesday, July 25	Middlesex County Hiring and Education Event	Middlesex College Edison campus
Tuesday, August 1	Perth Amboy National Night Out	Perth Amboy
Saturday, August 5	Military and Veteran Family Day	Yelencsics Park, Edison
Saturday, August 12	Heart Festival	New Brunswick
Tuesday, August 15 - Wednesday, August 16	Carteret High School Senior Orientation Days	Carteret
Thursday, August 24	Edison Housing Authority Back-to-School Event	Edison
Saturday, September 9	Harbortown Family Fest	Perth Amboy
Monday, September 18	Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce Network Fest	Woodbridge
Wednesday, September 20	Amazon Career Choice College Fair	Carteret
Multiple times	Admissions Information Session*	Virtual events
Multiple times	FAFSA on Demand Workshop*	Virtual events
Multiple times	Paying for College Info Session*	Virtual events
Multiple times	Health Programs Information Session	Virtual events
On an ongoing basis	Live chat appointments*	Via the web

*in English and Spanish

Monday, October 9	Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day	
Wednesday, October 11*	Board Committee meetings	Via Zoom
Wednesday, October 18 8:30 a.m.	Board meeting	West Hall, Parkview Room and via Zoom

*All morning (to be determined)