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We are dedicated to the education being disrupted by serving students and staff with military backgrounds. The Foundation collaborated with the committee and developed the criteria and provided the initial funding for the scholarship.

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The HCC Foundation hopes to continue this tradition of providing scholarship funds to veterans and active service men and women. If you are interested in supporting this tradition, earmark your contribution for our Veteran’s Scholarship.

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Arthur England is congratulated for receiving his HCC “letter” after 64 years due to his education being disrupted by serving his country during the Korean Conflict.
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MESSAGE FROM THE PROVOST

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Dr. Michael Rauch

PHOTO: Dustin and Amy, were the first to complete the mentorship programs and are congratulated by two HCC Foundation Board members, Patty Miller and Wayne Kangas.

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It is fitting that HCC is celebrating this milestone birthday because the campus is experiencing several exciting transformations. A $10 million capital bonding project is being planned to provide a modernized library relocated to the center of campus, a new bookstore, a “one-stop” student services area, and a welcoming new main entrance to greet students to campus. HCC is also partnering with the IRRRB and Fairview Range to build a high-tech healthcare simulation center by remodeling existing space on campus. Phase I is nearly complete and students are already training in the center, which will eventually include learning spaces in specialty areas such as pediatrics, OB, critical care, med-surg, and home health care. In addition, HCC has rebranded itself with a fresh new logo, marketing materials, and a new user-friendly website that will come online yet this year.

This campus renewal is exciting indeed, but the real heart of Hibbing Community College lies within the people that serve students each and every day. I’m very proud to be part of a team of committed faculty and staff who keep the success of students as the core of our mission. I invite each of you to visit HCC this year to witness the campus transformations, meet the great people who work here, and help us celebrate Hibbing Community College’s 100th birthday!

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