**MVC Starts Capital Campaign for Proposed Student Activity Center**

Dr. Bonnie Humphrey, MVC president, and Gary Ford, MVC board of trustees chairman, have announced the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation has awarded MVC a challenge grant of $750,000. To secure the Mabee grant, the College must raise $1.4 million over the next 12 months. The College has launched the "Your Valley, My Valley, Missouri Valley" fundraising campaign for the construction of a Student Activity Center (SAC). Dr. Gordon Imray '59 has been appointed chairman of the campaign committee. The committee will be contacting MVC alumni and friends over the next 12 months to ensure all have the opportunity to be part of the project. The $5.5 million building construction cost upon which the Mabee Challenge was determined will provide a 24,000 sq. ft. facility. 18,000 sq. ft. is dedicated to recreation, health, and fitness, and 6,000 sq. ft. is versatile space to be used for both academic activities and for student life recreation. The facility will contain a coffee house, meeting rooms, and a student lounge with internet access. Construction documents also allow for an additional 12,000 sq. ft. of multipurpose space. Visit the campaign website at [http://www.moval.edu/campaign/](http://www.moval.edu/campaign/) for more information.

**Alumni and Friends Celebrate Homecoming 2011 “Valley Rocks”**

Congratulations to all our Valley alumni and friends! The celebration was a success with the banner "St. Louis Rocks!" being displayed. Thousands of alumni and friends were on campus to celebrate Homecoming. It speaks volumes of our campus family that Homecoming ’11 was a positive, memorable weekend at which many of those involved will look back on as the best they’ve ever attended.

**Fine Arts Division to Present Experimental Production**

The Missouri Valley College fine arts department will present "April 11, 1954," an experimental production, at 7:30 p.m. nightly Nov. 9-12 in the Morris Experimental Theatre. The production is conceived and directed by MVC’s Assistant Professor of Theatre Harold Hynick, and was co-written with students, Taylor Castille, of Hartsburg, Mo.; Matthew Ford, of Cemondent, Mo.; Zachary McKinney, of Tebbets, Mo.; Clayton Sullivan, of Marshall; and Ivallee Wright, of Marshall. Tickets are $5 for adults. Due to limited seating, tickets should be purchased in advance. For more information about the production contact Harold Hynick at hynickh@moval.edu. For tickets visit [www.moval.edu/mthreat](http://www.moval.edu/mthreat) or contact (660) 831-4052.

**Murrell Library to Host National Abraham Lincoln Exhibit**

Missouri Valley College’s Murrell Library will host "Abraham Lincoln: A Man of His Time, a Man for All Times," a traveling panel exhibit, Nov. 7-Dec. 5. The exhibit tells the story of how Lincoln, a self-educated lawyer with virtually no administrative experience, guided a divided nation through the crises of slavery, secession and Civil War. The exhibit makes extensive use of Lincoln’s own words to encourage a deeper understanding of his principles and his legacy. Drawing on documents, broadsides, and ephemera from the Glider Lehrman Collection, the six panels examine the legacy of slavery, emancipation, and Lincoln’s commitment to every American’s “right to rise.”

Campus offices will be closed Nov. 23-25 for Thanksgiving Break.

**Alumni Association News**

The Alumni Association will host a Kansas City-Area Holiday Social December 6, at EBT Restaurant on State Line Road. For more information contact Jodi at (660) 831-4177 or whitej@moval.edu.