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Career Assistance

Alumni are welcome to use the services of the Career Center. Call the Office of Student Life, at 301-369-2800 ext. 3046 to make an appointment for career counseling or for information about hiring a co-op student. See our website for career services available to students and alumni.

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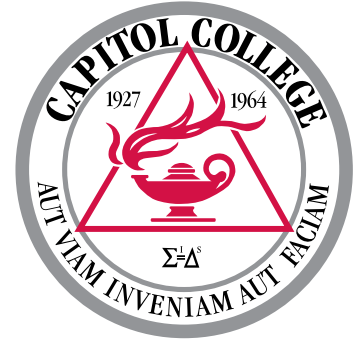
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President and Chairman's Letter

It is a monumental task to summarize what a college does in a year, but meetings and banquets, student achievements, presentations, faculty accomplishments, financial reports and enrollment statistics can be accumulated and reported for all to see.



What is summarily more difficult, especially for two people dedicated to envisioning and achieving an institution's long-term goals, is to describe what a college can be, how it functions on a daily basis, and how it affects those who are engaged and involved in its everyday pursuits. We cannot hope to describe the scope of Capitol College, a home to many, in a few short paragraphs but perhaps this – the first formal Annual Report of Capitol College – can be your telescope, allowing you to focus in on just a few of Capitol College's shining stars.

Thanks to the participation and assistance of our constituents on many fronts, and keeping in mind (as always) the past year's harsh economic climate, 2008-2009 was a stellar year for Capitol College. Our reputation broadened and deepened in the communities we are ascribed to, and many accomplishments stem from the work done in key areas of the college – what we like to call “centers of academic excellence.” The Space Operations Institute, information assurance program, and Innovation and Leadership Institute all share their stories in this report.

Capitol College's plans for the future are ever evolving, and you can count on the fact that we will continue to strengthen relations with our accrediting organizations and join the national cause for “going green” by doubling our conservation efforts and lowering our emissions.

The highlights you'll find in the following pages are just examples of the great things we are doing, and inspiration for what we can accomplish. Both of us encourage you to share the pride we feel for the college we represent, and it is our sincere hope that you find this annual report useful, thought-inspiring, and most importantly motivating as we keep Capitol moving forward.

Dr. Michael T. Wood
President, Capitol College

John G. Puente
Chairman, Capitol College Board of Trustees

Our Mission. Our Vision.

Mission: The mission of Capitol College is to provide practical education in engineering, computer science, information technology and business that prepares individuals for professional careers and affords them the opportunity to thrive in a changing world.

Vision: Capitol College will be esteemed as a premier provider of higher education and training in engineering, computer science, innovative technologies and business. Capitol will provide convenient and affordable access to quality learning outcomes for success as professionals and leaders.

With dedicated faculty and staff, modern facilities, supportive alumni and friends and qualified students, Capitol College will be a preferred place to learn and work in the Middle Atlantic United States. We will be regarded as a worldwide leader in the creative use of technology for education.



About Capitol College

Capitol is...

...an agile, top-notch college actively fulfilling our country's needs for technical professionals in the modern workforce.

...accepting students with diverse backgrounds and limited finances who are on a pathway to college and career success.

...providing learners of all ages and backgrounds, whether starting or rejuvenating their careers, with leadership skills that let them earn more, lead their own futures, and serve their families and communities.

...providing accessible online education at both undergraduate and graduate levels.



A History of Success

From our initial focus in the 1930s on radio engineering, Capitol's programs expanded to engineering, telecommunications, electronics, computer science, information assurance, and business management. Capitol College graduates are leading and innovating in the fields of telecommunications, systems management, aerospace engineering and other technical fields, for the their industries and their country.

Capitol College is renowned for distinctiveness and quality.

We have:

- NASA's trust to operate earth-science satellite missions in our Space Operations Institute;
- The designation of the **National Security Agency** and **Department of Homeland Security** as a **National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education**;
- Regional and special accreditations for our engineering and business programs;
- Faculty and staff who go the extra mile to serve our children and our students.

At the forefront in providing students with an accessible, affordable, and practical education, Capitol College offers students the education necessary to engage in challenging professional careers. Engineering and technology for telecommunication, aerospace, nanotechnology, biotechnology, and cyber protection remain fruitful endeavors and important to our nation and the global economy, and these industries depend on institutions such as Capitol College to provide the skilled workforce, the knowledge base, and the leaders of tomorrow.



A Year in Review

2008-2009 College Highlights

Each year, Capitol College advances; whether through public outreach, volunteerism, welcoming new members to the college family, supporting students, or fostering partnerships. While looking ahead to the future, we celebrate the accomplishments from the past year.



Key college events

Capitol College was awarded a \$586,000 five-year grant from the National Science Foundation, Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (S-STEM) program. The majority of the award established the Capitol Scholars Program, which will help to bring the region's brightest and most motivated young minds to campus.

Furthering the college's dedication to the country's service men and women, Capitol enlisted in the Yellow Ribbon Program, part of the new GI Bill.

Staff, faculty and students participated in the Annual Gorgeous Prince George's Day by planting trees,

shrubs and flowers on campus. For participating, the college was awarded the Bronze Maryland Community PLANT (People Loving and Nurturing Trees) Award from the Urban and Community Forest Committee of PG County.

On February 12, 2009, deemed "Maryland Independent Higher Education Day" by Governor Martin O'Malley, Capitol representatives traveled to Annapolis to recognize the vital role Maryland's independent colleges serve in the state.

The *Capitol Connector* was introduced as the college's monthly e-newsletter, dedicated to keeping alumni and friends of the college up-to-date on issues and events.

The all-new Capitol College website was launched this spring, utilizing modern web technology in its organization, navigation and design, and taking cues from students, parents, staff, faculty and alumni.

Golfers of all ages came together at the Capitol College Scholarship Golf Tournament to play a round in support of the college's scholarship fund. The tournament and its sponsors raised funds to support growing financial aid needs of our students.

During Commencement, President Michael Wood announced the formation of the Alumni Association task force, responsible for developing the mission, vision, and organizational structure

for a national Capitol College Alumni Association.

Over 400 top high school juniors from the Baltimore, Washington, D.C. and Virginia areas were welcomed to campus to participate in an active showcase of academic and career pathways in the STEM fields through Jump Start Juniors.

An agreement between Prince George's Community College and Capitol College was signed for the articulation of PGCC's associate's degree in applied science in information security to the bachelor of science in information assurance degree at Capitol. Other partnerships fostered through articulation agreements this year include the Community College of Baltimore County,



Dr. Mark Sykes



Col. Paul Lockhart (Ret.) NASA Astronaut



the National Defense University, and the College of Southern Maryland.

The Maryland Higher Education Commission College Preparation Intervention Program granted Capitol College with over \$15,000 in state funds to assist in the implementation of a Career and College Awareness Program to GEAR UP sophomores at Fairmont Heights High School and their parents.

The keynote speaker at the annual Honors Convocation, Brigadier General Peter C. Hinz, assistant division commander – Support, 29th Infantry Division and chief of staff to the adjutant general for Maryland, addressed students on “The Meaning of Leadership in Today’s Society.”

The Innovation and Leadership Institute’s President’s Forum series welcomed Mark V. Sykes, PhD, director of the Planetary Science Institute, who presented “Dawn, New Horizons and the Great Planet Debate,” a lecture focused on the “demotion” of Pluto sparked by the International Astronomy Union decision to define a common term for what constitutes a planet.

Capitol College was re-designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education (CAEIAE) by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security for academic years 2009-2014.

Over the past year, the Critical Infrastructures and Cyber Protection Center

has added certification and accreditation (C&A), digital forensics, system life cycle security testing and evaluation, and identity management to the list of offered courses and certificates.

The Space Operations Institute submitted a proposal to NASA for a new cooperative agreement that will extend the existing partnership to operate some of their earth science satellites.

The Space Operation Institute was awarded a contract by NASA to provide a backup control center for the Wide-Field Infrared Survey Explorer mission.

At the April 2009 faculty senate meeting, members unanimously approved a proposal to introduce a

master’s degree in astronautical engineering.

Key contributions by faculty and staff

Dr. Ashit Sanyal (astronautical engineering) and Dr. Hong Yu (electrical engineering) were welcomed to Capitol’s esteemed faculty.

Director of Admissions George H. Walls was featured on WOL1450 AM The Light of the City with Cynthia Hammond Davis, speaking about Capitol College’s dedication and focus on STEM education.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Vic Maconachy was made a Fellow with the International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium.



Brigadier General Peter C. Hinz

Dr. Michael G. Gibbs joined the executive council as vice president for college advancement. Since his arrival, he has been elected to serve on the Planetary Science Institute Board of Trustees, located in Tucson, Ariz.

Ken Dolan, associate director of the Space Operations Institute was elected to the 2009 Board of Directors of the Maryland Space Business Roundtable and named secretary of the Board.

Professor John Ryan, furthering STEM outreach for the college, attended a Project Lead the Way conference that focused on the new curriculum for the digital electronics module taught during summer semesters at UMBC.

Faculty, staff, and students grieved the loss of Stuart Grant Vargo, both a hard-working student and co-worker, in late 2008. Leadership and staff remembers his positive and uplifting spirit and love for the college by working towards establishing the Grant Vargo Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Adjunct Professor Craig Johnson and Allan Berg, director of the Innovation and Leadership Institute, spoke at the GovSec conference in March 2009.

After a lifetime of service to the college, Professor Earl Gottsman retired from an admirable teaching career at the 2009 Commencement ceremony. Upon his retirement, he was awarded the Presidential Award for

faculty by President Wood, and accepted the Alpha Chi Esteemed Professor Award, selected by student body vote.

Key achievements by students

Following a presentation from faculty advisor Angela Walters, the Capitol Balloon Experiment Club was awarded \$1,270 from the Maryland Space Business Roundtable Board of Directors to continue its high-altitude, weather balloon experiments.

Peter Starland and Jennifer Duryea presented at the 13th Colloquium for Information Systems Security Education conference in Seattle, Washington, discussing the need to develop a common, national

understanding of an information assurance education curriculum which prepares students to practice in the industry.

After years of hard work and dedication, Capitol College graduates walked across the stage in May at Capitol's 82nd Commencement ceremony. Paul S. Lockhart, a former United States Air Force test pilot and NASA astronaut, was welcomed as this year's commencement speaker.

Kimberly Johnson and Jennifer Duryea were awarded two rare and competitive scholarships under the U.S. Department of Defense Information Assurance Scholarship Program.

Capitol by the numbers

Founded in
1927

1000 students...
and growing!

14 is the aver-
age class size

20 years is the
average faculty
field experience

6 graduate
degrees offered

12 undergradu-
ate degrees
offered

57% of students
are Maryland
residents

31% of the
student body is
African-American

20% of the stu-
dent body are
women

90% place-
ment rate for
undergraduate
students

Over \$796,000
in institutional
scholarships
awarded yearly

3 graduate
degrees are
“Best Buys”

Five-year
tuition lock for
undergraduates

Capitol is **one
of six** National
Centers of
Academic
Excellence in
Information
Assurance Edu-
cation in the
state

4800 alumni
worldwide

14 Capitol
Scholars

52 acre campus

1000



Statements of Financial Position

Capitol College's financial performance reflected strong operational results and an ongoing commitment to access and affordability. The college experienced a negative, albeit temporary, impact in investment performance and total revenue similar to that of many educational institutions. Operating expenditures were linked to the three-year Strategic Action Plan to enhance both student outcomes and program quality. Capitol's commitment to student success is demonstrated by the college's ability to maintain scholarship funding during difficult times. Capitol College continues to manage its financial resources prudently and maintains a position of flexibility to respond to opportunities.



Derick A. Veenstra

Vice President for Finance and Administration

	Year Ending June 30	2008	2007
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	281,248	806,619
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$235,000 and \$249,367, respectively		669,343	488,152
Notes receivable, net of allowance of \$395,654 and \$396,189, respectively		671,360	566,113
Pledges receivable, net		121,668	291,667
Grants receivable		624,808	646,973
Prepaid expenses		108,990	103,959
Assets whose use is limited		4,648,707	4,369,389
Property and equipment, net		14,898,495	15,402,232
Other assets		112,196	111,327
Total Assets	\$	22,136,815	22,786,431

	Year Ending June 30	2008	2007
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	972,773	1,141,687
Deferred revenue		386,732	337,229
Line of credit		412,979	-
Mortgage payable		318,189	489,149
U.S. government grants payable		814,294	832,152
Revenue bonds payable		5,610,417	5,885,416
Swap valuation liability		197,953	82,013
Capital lease obligation		85,452	140,748
Total Liabilities	\$	8,798,789	8,908,394
Net Assets			
Unrestricted		9,939,576	10,219,490
Temporarily restricted		64,842	34,872
Permanently restricted		3,333,608	3,623,675
Total Net Assets	\$	13,338,026	13,878,037
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	22,136,815	22,786,431

Statements of Activities

	Year Ending June 30	2008	2007
Unrestricted Net Assets			
Revenue and Other Support			
Tuition and fees	\$	8,187,534	8,662,505
State appropriations		604,260	538,842
Private gifts, grants and contracts		45,525	27,105
Interest income		31,317	29,735
Auxiliary income		204,558	216,917
Other income		358,139	442,315
Total revenue	\$	9,431,333	9,917,419
Satisfaction of program restrictions		2,613,728	2,902,571
Total revenue and other support	\$	12,045,061	12,819,990
Expenses			
Instruction		2,228,478	2,137,847
Institutional support		1,967,653	1,960,459
Academic support		1,213,996	1,231,553
Student services		1,222,571	1,299,096
Operation and maintenance of plant		940,731	883,568
Scholarships		1,660,505	1,617,114
Loan cancellations and write-offs		226,200	142,152
Interest and related financing costs		489,886	433,241
Depreciation		623,669	651,221
NASA Research		1,683,929	1,934,200
Other		67,357	83,282
Total expenses	\$	12,324,975	12,373,733
Change in unrestricted net assets		(279,914)	446,257
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets			
Private gifts, grants and contracts		36,077	37,598
Government grants and contracts		2,440,116	2,584,929
Net assets released from restrictions		(2,446,223)	(2,685,305)
Change in temporarily restricted net assets		29,970	(62,778)
Permanently Restricted Net Assets			
Private gifts, grants and contracts		6,805	65,533
Interest income		70,805	71,113
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments		(200,172)	453,360
Nets assets released from restrictions		(167,505)	(217,266)
Change in permanently restricted net assets		(290,067)	372,740
Total changes in net assets		(540,011)	756,219
Net assets, beginning of year		13,878,037	13,121,818
Net Assets, End of Year	\$	13,338,026	13,878,037

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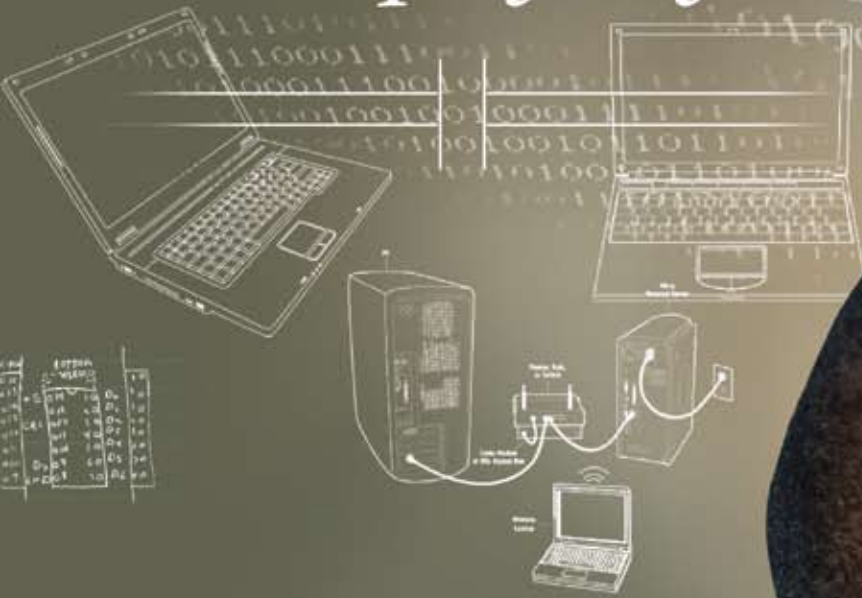
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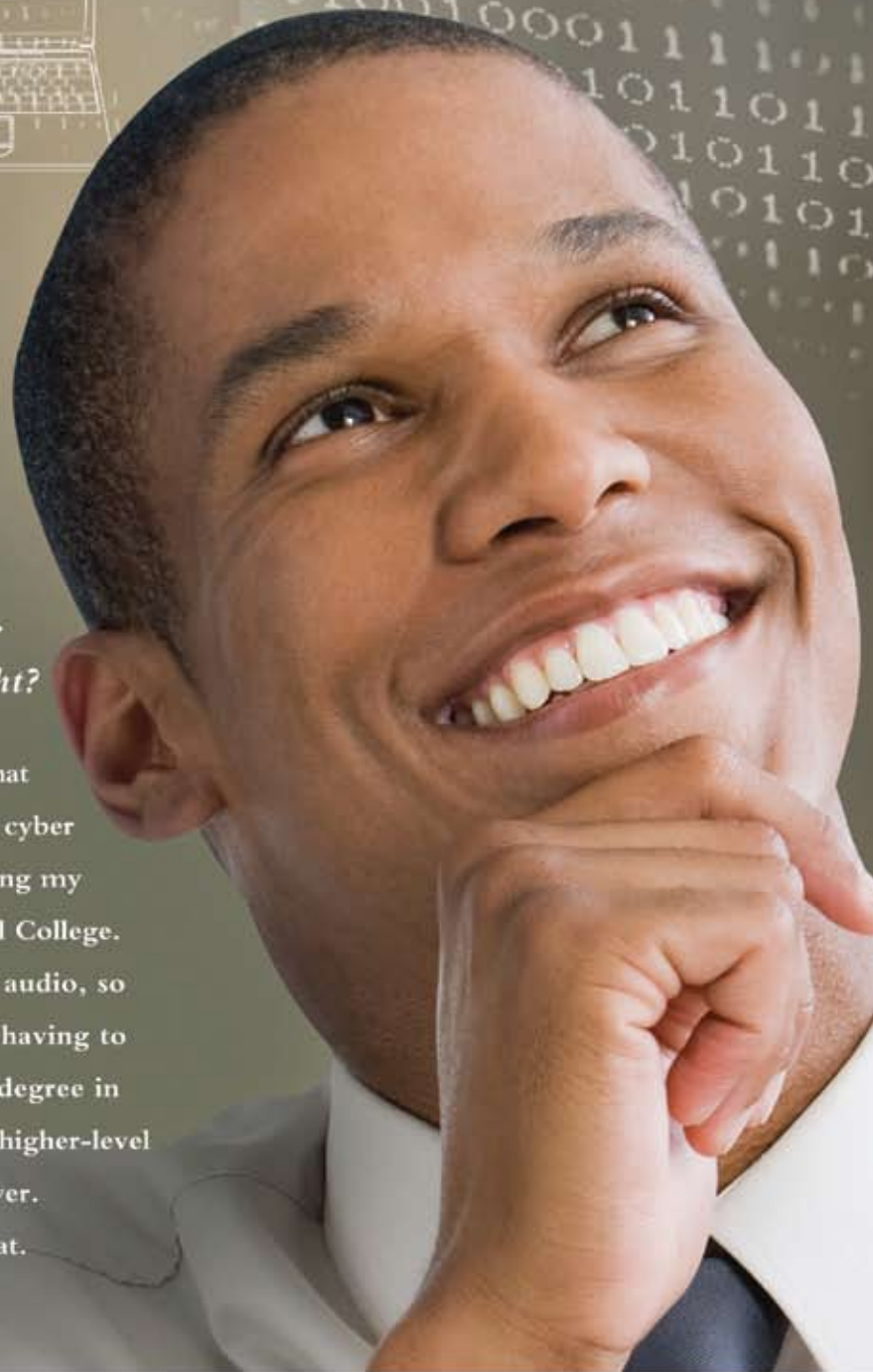
Electronic Campus

Capitol College isn't for everyone. *But it's perfect for me.*



*I've always been fascinated with computers.
You could say I'm just wired that way, right?*

So after college I got a job as an IT technician. But what I really want to do is cyber security so I can go after cyber terrorists, hackers and the like. That's why I'm getting my graduate degree in Information Assurance at Capitol College. Courses are conducted online with live, streaming audio, so I receive the classroom experience I want without having to deal with traffic to get there. And with a master's degree in one of today's hottest fields, I'll be qualified for the higher-level job I want — with skills big-time employers fight over. You don't have to be a genius to see the value in that.



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