

INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL

SVHEC STAFF

Network Administrator: TICR funds associated with the Southern Virginia Education Network (SVEN) made it possible to hire Chris Morris, a graduate of the Danville/Pittsylvania County Public School Systems. A talented Network Administrator who received his training from Danville Community College, Chris was recruited from Dan River Mills Inc., in Danville, VA, a textile manufacturer relocated from Southside after being purchased by an overseas company. Chris keeps the SVEN operational and provides network and general IT support for more than 200 SVHEC personal, classroom, and laboratory computers.

Director, R&D Center for Advanced Manufacturing & Energy Efficiency: With funds from a TICR Southside Partnership for Technology-Enabled Education grant, the SVHEC recruited David Kenealy to create and implement one of two of the SVHEC's signature programs, the *Product Design & Development* program. In 2010, David was tapped to lead the R&D Center established with an additional TICR grant. David's professional career includes comprehensive experiences within each area of the design/build process. David strategically transitioned in and out of education by taking various and extended sabbaticals that allowed him to stay current on product design and development methodology as practiced within the global residential furniture industry. On faculty at Rockingham Community College, he established a successful product design and development program for the North Carolina Community College System. As Director of QA, Engineering and Sample-Making for Maitland-Smith, Inc., whose primary manufacturing operation is based in Cebu, Philippines, David focused on putting into place an intra-department, collaborative approach to the product development process. David has also served as Plant Manager for Highland House Furniture, based in Mandawa, India.

Lab Technician, Product Design & Development Program: Months before graduating from David Kenealy's Rockingham Community College program, Clint Johnson was offered a position with Old Biscayne Designs, an international furniture manufacturing facility producing high-end home furnishings. Spear-heading a new division that could design and build custom ordered furniture, Clint's efforts provided the company with an important competitive edge. Thereafter, Clint started his own custom woodworking company, Nostalgic Revival, working closely with the Historic Preservation Society in Americus, GA, where he focused on the revitalization of historic area homes. Clint closed the doors to his business to follow his mentor, David Kenealy, and joined the SVHEC in August of 2008, as an instructor in the pilot year of the new *Product Design and Development* program. He currently works with dual enrollment and community college students, assisting them in the development of their skills as professionals and educating them on how to become valuable assets to local economy.

USA/TopSolid Institute Instructor: Hailing from Seattle, WA, where he performed high-end landscaping with one of the area's most prestigious firms, Kevin Chrystie also studied under David Kenealy at

Rockingham Community College, where he learned to craft museum quality furniture pieces. Upon graduating with honors, one of his creations, "The Game Table," was accepted out of 150+ pieces to the Design Emphasis student competition at the Atlanta International Woodworking Fair (IWF). He then joined the team of craftsmen at Brooks Millwork, in Greensboro, NC, where he helped create distinctive pieces of architectural millwork. Recruited by mentor David Kenealy, Kevin joined the effort to get the *Product Design & Development* curriculum off the ground in 2008. He focuses on schooling students in how to incorporate and utilize Advanced Manufacturing and CAD/CAM/CNC technologies into the shop. Upon recommendation of Missler, Inc., Kevin is diversifying his talents to include the launch of the nation's first TopSolid Training Institute and providing CAD/CAM instruction for regional workers.

Program Coordinator, Business of Art & Design Programs: A lifelong resident of the New River Valley, Ben Capozzi turned down a teaching position at his alma mater, VPI, to come to the SVHEC in 2008 to develop the *Digital Art & Design* program. With a background that includes an award-winning stint as a comic book publisher, digital media instructor for the Educause award-winning Faculty Development Institute, and freelance brand design consultant for Papa John's Pizza Inc, Capozzi's eclectic skills have spelled success in the classroom for Halifax County youths with student work being published nationally in the industry trade magazine "LAYERS," juried participation in Kate Englebrecth's international THE GIRL PROJECT, and Awards of Excellence from the Printing Industry of Virginia. From just 15 high school students in the fall of 2008, *Digital Art & Design* courses have grown to serve more than 162 high school and adult students over the past 12 months with more than 226 anticipated by the end of spring 2010. Capozzi's connections with Virginia Tech have also enabled the SVHEC to further its partnerships there, as well as forge new ties with nearby Longwood University and Danville Community College.

Institutional Effectiveness Specialist: A Mississippi native, Catherine Stevens holds a B.A. in International Affairs from Sweet Briar College and the Master of Science in Public Health, focusing on Health Policy, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Public Health. She served as Projects Manager for the Program on Health Professions at the Cecil G. Sheps Center (Chapel Hill, NC), a nationally recognized social sciences research center. Catherine has developed a data collection and management unit in support of SVHEC institutional assessment, grant writing, and academic research critical to the organization's mission. The newly formed Research Data Collection and Management unit (RDCMU) is also building a central repository of economic, educational, and demographic data for the southern region of Virginia. Ms. Stevens' role in the RDCMU is to assist the Directors in developing the institutional assessment framework, including identifying appropriate metrics and developing data collection systems. She also collects, manages, and analyzes data, and disseminates analytical findings to support southern Virginia school systems, communities, cities/towns, and counties for program development and revitalization planning.

Lab Simulation Specialist, Center of Nursing Excellence (CNE): Cindy Cole brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Simulation Lab Specialist position. A Halifax County native, she obtained her Registered Nursing credential through Danville Regional Medical Center's School of Nursing, and she holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from Virginia Commonwealth University. For thirteen years, Cole has been an Operating Room nurse at

Halifax Regional Hospital. She also served as an adjunct instructor in the Practical Nursing and Registered Nursing programs for Southside Virginia Community College including teaching Medical Terminology and Nutrition courses at the SVHEC. As Simulation Lab Specialist Cole uses the CNE's high-fidelity simulation manikins and audio/visual technology to create simulated healthcare scenarios for nursing students as well as current healthcare practitioners. She recently obtained Advanced Cardiac Life Support certification, and travelled to Wappinger Falls, NY and Exton, PA to obtain advanced training on the CNE's Sim Man hi-fidelity simulation manikin and the EMS/Arcadia audio/visual recording and playback system.