From Poland to New Zealand to the Dominican Republic the college embraces good to great by going global.
DEAN’S MESSAGE

Going from “good to great” is the theme I chose for 2011 to help guide and shape the work of the college. Borrowed from a book of the same title, the theme describes CAST perfectly. If you have spent any time with me, you know I am fond of saying “CAST has been a well-kept secret for far too long!” CAST is committed to increasing the impact of our teaching, research, and service to transform the college from one that is considered “good” to one that demonstrates “great” in each leg of the academic trilogy.

One area in which CAST has moved rapidly from “good to great” has been by fully engaging with our global society. This issue of ForeCAST is devoted to stories that support the CAST Global Scholar Initiative, showing how our students, alumni, and faculty are embracing opportunities to become connected by bringing the world into the college and by taking the college to the world.

You will read about School of Kinesiology and Recreation students who travelled to Opole University of Technology in Poland to participate in a study and cultural immersion experience. Find out more about Benvindo Dzubu, a criminal justice sciences student who completed an international professional practice in Berlin. And then there’s Lyle Roberts, an agriculture department alum who has devoted his life to help eliminate world starvation by cofounding the World Initiative for Soy in Human Health program.

Toni and Robin Christie have shared their passion for restoring local ecosystems and creating children’s play-scapes in New Zealand, a project that celebrates natural and local environments. The Christies were guests of the college and were sponsored by the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences and the ISU Child Care Center, also a part of the college. We also highlight the work of international scholar Klaus Schmidt, professor of technology. His work is fueled by his passion for internationalizing the curriculum and his sense of adventure. Schmidt was selected as the college representative to the ISU International Studies Advisory Council.

Faculty members have initiated international research partnerships that span several disciplines within CAST. This year alone we have signed agreements with 11 universities in eight countries that will help bring the world to us. We have hosted foreign scholars from around the globe who have come to learn from us, just as we did from them. And with the help of many generous donors, we have opened vistas and visions never considered within reach for students or faculty. The cover of this magazine was carefully designed to symbolize the opportunities surrounding us.

In these pages you will also find a long list of friends and donors who have generously supported the “good to great” theme by assisting with college priorities, such as the CAST Global Scholar Initiative. Please accept my heartfelt thanks to every one of you who have supported the global initiative or other college priorities. Support from friends and alumni is critical and in many cases transformational for exceptional students and talented faculty at your alma mater home, the College of Applied Science and Technology at Illinois State University!

Warm regards,

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In the United States, we have battlefields and monuments dedicated to the Revolutionary War and the crafting of the Declaration of Independence that seem old from our perspective. However, a trip to Eastern Europe demonstrated to students from the School of Kinesiology and Recreation (KNR) that the perception of historical age is relative. When the students stepped into churches that date from the 11th century and viewed castles at least that old, it became apparent that America, as we know it, is young by comparison. Seven students, along with three faculty members from KNR, took a trip to Poland and the Czech Republic for two weeks that included classes, tours, and sharing experiences with students and staff of the Opole University of Technology (OUTech) in Poland.

OUTech is part of the European Erasmus Coalition, which permits students from Poland to study at many universities across Europe for a semester or a full year. Similarly, the students from the other European universities are welcome to attend classes at OUTech.

The foundation for the exchange agreement was established in 2008 when Illinois State’s President Al Bowman and a contingent of faculty members and administrators first traveled to Poland to sign a memorandum of understanding. Some time elapsed before the vice president of OUTech visited Illinois State University and suggested that the initial cooperation should focus on programs in Illinois State’s School of Kinesiology and Recreation (KNR). In October 2009, three faculty members from KNR traveled to Poland to discuss curricular offerings, tour facilities, meet with faculty members, and learn more about the culture of Poland to share with prospective students from Illinois State University.

The inaugural study abroad trip took place in May 2010. The students quickly acclimated to the culture of Poland and received a welcome from our hosts that was both exuberant and gracious. The first days of the trip were centered on the campus of OUTech. The American students attended classes that were specific to their majors, taught in English, and included planned participation by both the American and Polish students. Additional activities included tours of campus facilities and the local city. While the American students were on campus, a bus trip was planned for the Erasmus students and the Americans to tour the former Nazi concentration camps at Auschwitz and Birkenau in south central Poland. The students were led on an English-speaking tour of both camps and learned of the countless atrocities against humanity that occurred during World War II. The tour was a stark reminder of a history that must never be repeated.

Over the next weekend, the American students and several staff from OUTech traveled by bus to Prague in the Czech Republic for a sight-seeing tour. It was an amazing experience for the students to share in the culture and history of the citizens who call Prague home. The students enjoyed daytime tours of the architecture and neighborhoods and the active nightlife of a world-class city.

The following week included trips in and near the city of Opole, Poland, as well as additional time in the classroom. The final days of the trip were spent in Glucholazy, Poland, where the 8th Annual International Workshops on “Movement as Medicine” were taking place. Two of the Illinois State faculty members were invited to lecture at the conference. In exchange, all of the rooms for the American students were covered by OUTech at a first-class resort. The final night of the conference included a semi-formal banquet, followed by a vibrant party for all attendees of the conference. It was a perfect capstone to the trip for the American students and provided a closure to an outstanding cross-cultural and international experience that will not be forgotten by any who made the trip.

Following the safe return by all participants, the memorandum of understanding was expanded into a formal exchange agreement between OUTech and Illinois State. In October 2010, three faculty members from OUTech traveled to Illinois State for a tour of facilities and observation of KNR classes in advance of sending the first Polish students to study for a semester. Similar to the trip last spring, plans are under way for a cultural immersion trip for 10 Illinois State students in May, and it is anticipated that two students from Poland will study at Illinois State during the fall 2011 semester. The exchange will help to ensure that many more KNR students will experience the traditions, culture, historical significance, and cuisine of Poland, as well as make new acquaintances and develop enduring friendships.
CAST INDUCTS EIGHT HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

Illinois State University’s College of Applied Science and Technology inducted eight members into its CAST Hall of Fame at a ceremony on November 13, 2010: CAST Hall of Fame inductees are chosen for outstanding performance and leadership in their career fields, committed service to their communities, fellowships, state, national, or international recognition, outstanding service to Illinois State University, or proof that their work has helped a pronounced segment of society.

Ray Brownfield ’65

Ray Brownfield graduated in 1965 from Illinois State University’s Department of Agriculture with a degree in agriculture education. He is a recipient of the Holbert Award, which is the highest honor the Illinois State University Department of Agriculture bestows. He served in the Illinois Army National Guard for 35 years, retiring as a Chief Warrant Officer, CW5.

Brownfield is president of Land Pro LLC, and also a licensed real estate broker with the Greene Land Company in Oswego. He has served as a vice president of First National Bank–Peotona, vice president of Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Company, vice president of Northern Trust Bank, and president of a nationwide agricultural real estate company, now known as Capital Agricultural Property Services, Inc.

Brownfield has also been president of the Illinois Society of Professional Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers and the American Society of Professional Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers. He is serving as president of the REALTORS Land Institute.

He has served as a member of the Agricultural Alumni Association, and is very involved with fundraising for the 100th anniversary of Illinois State’s Department of Agriculture.

Andrew Velasquez III ’93

Andrew Velasquez III holds bachelor’s and master’s degrees in criminal justice from Illinois State. He received his M.B.A. from Saint Xavier University and completed the executive leadership program at the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security.

Velasquez served the Chicago Police Department for 10 years and was a member of the U.S. Army Reserve for six years before becoming executive director of Chicago’s Office of Emergency Management and Communication. He is very responsible for executing the city’s public safety initiatives for 2.9 million residents.

He then served as director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and homeland security advisor to the governor where he oversaw Illinois’ disaster preparedness and response, nuclear safety, and homeland security programs.

Velasquez served as chair of the response committee for the Governor’s Campus Safety Task Force. He was on the board of directors for the Central United States Earthquake Consortium, a member of the Regional Advisory Council for FEMA Region V, the Homeland Security Consortium for the National Emergency Management Association, and vice chair of the Emergency Management Accreditation Program Commission.

In April 2010 Velasquez was appointed by President Barack Obama to serve as the regional administrator for FEMA Region V. In this position Velasquez coordinates preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation activities for the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

Charlotte Talkington ’61

Charlotte Talkington graduated with a bachelor’s degree in home economics from Illinois State Normal University. In 1968 she joined the home economics faculty at Illinois State University as a supervisor of 78 student teachers. She retired as a full professor in 1994.

During her tenure she supervised student teachers, taught undergraduate classes, and directed curriculum projects. Talkington served as president of two professional state organizations and vice chair of a national organization. In 1985 she received the Illinois State University Alumni Achievement Award.

She has established The Charlotte Talkington Professional Development Fund and The Charlotte E. Talkington Scholarship in Family and Consumer Sciences Education Fund, which provide financial assistance for a family and consumer sciences education student.

Talkington is a part-time employee at Greider’s Garden Center in the spring and throughout the year at the University of Illinois Extension.

Jenny Pan-Yun Ting ’75

A recipient of a Foreign Student Tuition Waiver Scholarship, Jenny Pan-Yun Ting received her Illinois State University bachelor’s degree in medical technology in 1975. She earned a Master of Medical Technology from the University of California Medical Laboratory and completed post-doctoral training at the University of Southern California and Duke University.

Ting joined the University of North Carolina (UNC) at Chapel Hill in 1984 as an assistant professor and has remained there. She is a William R. Kenan Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, and the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center’s Immunology program leader. She is also the Director of the UNC Center for Translational Immunology, and codirector of the Inflammatory Disease Institute.


She has served on the study sections of multiple National Institutes of Health (NIH) projects and private foundations and on many education and technology committees and boards. She has offered invited talks to audiences around the world who contribute to the classroom via the Internet. The author of nine books, Adams’ publications and research cover a variety of topics, including print, publishing, communication, and career development, as well as topics specific to higher education. His most recent book is Coming of Age in a Globalized World: The Next Generation, published in 2006 with coauthor Angela Carifagna. Adams began his academic career at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Oswego, where he received the SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Teaching Excellence. He also served as a U.S. congressional fellow, working on higher education legislation and advising U.S. congressional leaders. Adams is active with many national and international education organizations. In 2008 he was named a member of the National Academy of Education. Currently he is a member of the U.S. Academy of International Education. He is a fellow of the American Council on Education. Adams holds a B.S. from Illinois State University, a B.A. from Bowling Green State University, an M.A. from the University of Pretoria in the Department of Biokinetics, Sport and Exercise Sciences, and a doctorate from the University of Pretoria in the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. Adams is a member of the Steering Committee of the United Nations Pathways to Peace program and the creation of Global Virtual Faculty, scholars and professionals from around the world who contribute to the classroom via the Internet.

DEAN’S ADVISORY BOARD

The College of Applied Science and Technology (CAST) Dean’s Advisory Board provides strategic guidance that helps the college achieve its vision and mission. Board members selected are alumni from the departments and schools within CAST. Members come from industry, academia, and federal/national laboratories.

The board met twice in 2010. in once in Chicago and once on campus to provide input and advice to the dean. Members include:

- Jiff Alger ’78
- Debra Berry ’83
- Ray Brownfield ’65
- Devra Buzik ’84
- Kevin Bulatek ’93
- Nicholas Percoco ’97
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- Matthew Johanson ’89

DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Dorothy Witte, Director of Development for the college retired in December 2010. The college would like to wish Dorothy the best of luck in retirement and to thank her for her efforts and contributions in support of CAST’s funding priorities and reconnecting with CAST alumni.

College of Applied Science and Technology funding priorities:

- Student scholarships and professional development
- Faculty recruitment and retention
- International initiatives (CAST Global Scholar Fund)
- Technology and hardware replacement and recapitalization
- Unrestricted support for the most pressing needs of the college

College of Applied Science and Technology alumni statistics (July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010):

- Living alumni: 60,066
- Alumni financial support of the University: 2,306 (5.8 percent)
- Alumni financial support of the college: 1,493 (3.8 percent)

This academic year, in-state undergraduate estimated cost of attendance (i.e., tuition, fees, room, meal plan, books, supplies, miscellaneous expenses) is $24,252. Make a gift to CAST.IllinoisState.edu/giving.

(Top photos: Harold E. Stiver, Illinois State University; bottom photo: Peter Tapling)

**HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS**

The college is always looking for its next batch of hall of famers. Nomination forms are available at cast.IllinoisState.edu/events/CASTHallofFame.shtml

**Barlene Kluka ’72**

Barlene Kluka earned a bachelor’s and a master’s degree at Illinois State before completing a doctorate in motor learning from Texas Woman’s University. She was awarded a second doctorate in sport management from the University of Pretoria, South Africa. She is an international scholar and former secretary-treasurer of the Society for Research on Women and Sport. Kluka is a full professor and interim dean of the School of Human Performance and Leisure Sciences at the University of Central Florida in Orlando, Florida. She is also an Extraordinary Professor at the University of Pretoria in the Department of Biokinetics, Sport and Leisure Sciences.

A charter member of USA Volleyball Sports Medicine and Performance Commission, Kluka is editor of the International Journal of Volleyball Research. A former vice president of USA Volleyball, she served on its board of directors and on the United States Olympic Committee. She has been inducted into the American Volleyball Coaches Association Hall of Fame, has earned the prestigious USA Volleyball Leader in Volleyball Award from USA Volleyball, and has been inducted into the National Association of Sport and Physical Education Hall of Fame. She was named Texas Woman’s University 2008 Distinguished Alumna.

A leader in the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education, Kluka is a former chairman of the editorial board, chair, and a member of the executive board and president’s committee. She has also served as president of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance as well as Board of Governors for the National Association for Girls and Women in Sport. She completed a presidency with the International Association of Physical Education and Sport for Girls and Women.

**Colonel Mark Jackson ’87**

Colonel Mark Jackson graduated from Illinois State in 1987 with a bachelor’s degree in business administration and a minor in hospitality management. He retired from the Army in 2011 after 25 years of service. His assignments include being the Troop Command Sergeant Major at the Illinois Army National Guard in Springfield, Illinois; a two-time recipient of the National Guard Association of Illinois Outstanding Guardsman Award.

Jackson has deployed three times in the service of his country. During his first deployment in 2000 Jackson served as the Security Forces commander for an infantry company in Kuwait as part of Operation Desert Spring. During this second deployment in 2002 Jackson was the force protection liaison officer between his brigade, Task Force Santa Fe, and U.S. Army Europe. His most recent deployment was for Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served as the assistant battalion and task force commander of Task Force Blackhawk in Baghdad, Radwaniyah, and Al Anbar, Iraq.

Jackson has received many awards, he has published extensively in the areas of molecular immunology, inflammation, infection, and cancer.

She has pioneered new areas of molecular immunology with her work on new genes in the immune system. Ting’s observations impact disease as diverse as infection, autoimmunity, inflammation, neurodegeneration, and cancer.

Peter Tapling ’82

Peter Tapling is a 1982 applied computer science graduate. He is president and CEO at Authentify, Inc., the leading provider of out-of-band authentication (OBA) services. He has held the position since founding the company in 1999. Tapling has been an active participant in information security industry standards committees dating back to the group that created the Trusted Computer System Evaluation Criteria, also known as the Department of Defense Orange Book. He participated in the American Bar Association Digital Signature Committee, which developed the Digital Signature Guidelines document, and the Internet Engineering Task Force Public-Key Infrastructure X.509 Working Group. He also participated in the development of the current Financial Services Technology Consortium (FSTC) Security Working Group.

Tapling serves on the NACHA Internet Council. He is a frequent speaker on the topics of authentication, risk management, and identity theft, and is a coauthor of the book Mastering the Fraud Tsunami. Tapling is chairman of the Business and Industry Advisor Council for the School of Information Technology and is on the board of advisors to the dean of the College of Applied Science and Technology at Illinois State University. He serves on the executive committee of the board of directors of the Illinois Technicians, an association he serves as a board member for The Big Idea Forum. He is also an active advisor to entrepreneurs and early stage companies.
 Afterwards, Roberts decided to retire. But that doesn’t mean he’s done making a difference. Not at all. He’s just trying to figure out where to volunteer his time. “You never get out of everything completely,” he said. “I’m looking at a couple of options for where I might help and have an impact.”

Roberts retired in October 2010. His roots run deep in Illinois farming, since he grew up on a farm just south of Bloomington. He attended Normal Community High School, where his interests in 4-H and FFA blossomed. “I had multiple projects at the time involving all kinds of livestock and crops,” he said. Pursuing a career in agriculture was never a question, so when he graduated, the only decision was which university he would attend. Because it was close to home and he could keep farming while talking classes, Roberts chose Illinois State. He majored in agriculture education and wasted no time getting involved in extracurricular activities. He was on the dairy, livestock, and soil judging teams and was one of the founders of Illinois State’s Alpha Zeta chapter, a national honors fraternity of agriculture. He credited three professors in particular for his achievements at Illinois State and his career. Emeritus professors Clarence Moore, Fred Fuess, and Al Culver taught different subjects but their encouragement and perspective helped him succeed.

“As for his greatest lesson learned at Illinois State, Roberts said it was the ability to work with people. “It’s the culmination of people that makes things happen.”

After graduation he went to work for Country Companies in underwriting, becoming chief underwriter in five years. His next career move took him to GRROWMARK, a grain systems organization, where he managed the animal health department. He transferred to the Illinois Farm Bureau (IFB), where he worked for the export division. The IFB exported breeding livestock to 37 countries. Roberts was involved in the first shipment of breeding pigs from the United States to China.

“That was a big hurdle,” he said. His next greatest achievement came when disaster struck the Dominican Republic. A very rare and dangerous strain of African Swine Flu infected pigs in the country. In order to ensure the disease wouldn’t spread beyond the borders, all pigs had to be slaughtered. Roberts worked with several trade missions for the U.S. Government and was part of the team that helped ship pigs to the Dominican Republic so the country could start breeding again.

When a job opened at the Illinois Soybean Association (ISA) in field services, Roberts made another career move. Twenty-five years later, he retired as CEO. One of his biggest accomplishments was cofounding the World Initiative for Soy in Human Health (WISHH), a program of the American Soybean Association that provides U.S. soy protein to underdeveloped countries, where it can benefit millions of starving people.

“Three billion people in the world are living on less than $2 a day,” he said. “The majority of soy companies focus their marketing strategies on the other three billion people in the world who can afford their product, but we are focusing on those who can’t.”

Besides working toward solving world hunger, Roberts also set up an endowment at Illinois State through the Soybean Association. Funds go toward research and faculty recruitment and retention. Last year Roberts and the ISA also formed a scholarship at Illinois State that helps four or five freshman or transfer agriculture students each year.

Since retiring Roberts has spent time doing all of the things he couldn’t do while he was working, including time on his farm landscaping, horseback riding, and catching up with family and friends.

“I retired after working 40 years for Illinois farmers,” he said. Retired, but looking forward to the next season.
This year’s Science and Technology Week was the 10th anniversary and carried the theme of the newly adopted slogan, “State your Future. Speakers throughout the week focused on expertise highlighting various College of Applied Science and Technology departments and schools. Donna Heidel started off the week with a presentation titled, “Prevention through design national initiative: Integrating occupational health and safety into sustainability.” Heidel was co-sponsored by the Department of the Health Sciences and the student sections of American Industrial Hygiene Association, American Society of Safety Engineers, and Student Environmental Health Association. Heidel coordinates the Prevention through Design (PtD) program as CDC/NIOSH, including the Going Green: Safe and Healthy Jobs initiative, to ensure that occupational health and safety is included in green and sustainability efforts. She also serves as worldwide director of Industrial Hygiene and Occupational Toxicology, where she led the development and implementation of their global health hazard and control banding programs. In that role, she developed the JIEP “prevention through design” process for designing out hazards and minimizing risks during the facility, process, and product design. These design standards were applied to 14 new pharmaceutical research and design and manufacturing facilities, including chemical synthesis and biotechnology plants. Heidel has an M.S. in industrial hygiene from Temple University. She is board-certified in the comprehensive practice of industrial hygiene by the American Board of Industrial Hygiene. The Department of Agriculture and the Illinois Soybean Association co-sponsored Professor Robert L. Thompson as he presented “State of world agriculture 2030.” Thompson holds the Gardner Endowed Chair in Agricultural Policy at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he teaches courses in agricultural policy and international agricultural development. In addition to his on-campus teaching and extension public policy education responsibilities, he serves on the USDA/USRT Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee for Trade and the International Food and Agricultural Trade Policy Council. Thompson served as director of Rural Development and senior advisor for Agricultural Trade Policy at the World Bank (1998–2002); president and CEO of the Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development (1993–1998); dean of Agriculture (1987–1993) and professor of Agricultural Economics (1974–1993) at Purdue University; as assistant secretary for Economics at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (1985–1987); and as senior staff economist for Food and Agriculture at the President’s Council of Economic Advisers (1983–1985). The keynote address this year was given by Ed Begley Jr., actor and activist. He serves on the boards at the Thoreau Library and the Center for Mathematics, Science, and Technology (CeMaST) at Illinois State University. The week was capped by the college hosting State Representative Jay C. Hoffman of the 112th District. Hoffman addressed jobs, clean air, and energy security in a speech titled, “Hope from the Heartland.” Hoffman has served as an Illinois State Representative since 1991. He received his bachelor of science in finance from Illinois State University and his juris doctor from St. Louis University School of Law. Before being elected to the Illinois General Assembly, Hoffman began his career as an assistant state’s attorney in St. Clair County, Illinois, and was later appointed the director of probation and court services for the 20th Judicial Circuit Court. During his time in office, Hoffman has been a leader on transportation issues, serving as the chair of that committee. He has also been active in pushing legislation regarding education, job creation, child welfare, and healthcare. He has received numerous awards, including the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority’s Outstanding Individual of the Year, St. Louis Children’s Hospital State Advocate of the Year Award, and Cardinal Glennon’s 2007 Crystal Wagon Award for contributing to the health and welfare of children. He has also been honored with the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association Lewis and Clark Statesman Award six times. We invite you to celebrate CAST’s 11th Science and Technology Week during April 15–22, 2011. Details will be posted at www.cast.ilstu.edu.
On October 4 Toni and Robin Christie, founders of the Childspace Early Learning Centres and the Childspace Early Childhood Institute at Illinois State University, New Zealand, gave a community-wide presentation titled, “New Zealand Early Childhood Care and Education: Exploring culture, environmental design and services.” Earlier that day the musical duo, along with their two children, Max and Tui, performed for children, families, and CAST’s Family and Consumer Sciences practicum students at the Illinois State University Child Care Center.

The Christies’ activities served as the kick-off event for the College of Applied Science and Technology’s “CAST: Going Global” yearlong focus and was simultaneously working as substitute teachers in Childspace Early Learning Centres. The centres are located throughout Wellington, New Zealand.

A sampling of student reactions to the Christies’ presentation, include:

Cara Linchen: FCS 101

“As an interior design major, I did not think that a presentation regarding early childhood learning would pertain to me. But after attending, I realized how much the two relate. Everything the Christies designed was created to inspire children to grow and learn. I learned the importance of building, designing, and creating for a purpose and to be creative with materials available.”

Katelyn Schwank: FCS 230

“Her ability to incorporate culture is amazing. I think it can help a child feel like they belong and help form their personal identities.”

Sarah O’Neal: FCS 307

“Being able to incorporate the culture and history into the play area was something I had not considered before. It is a way of teaching the children and reminding them of their heritage.”

Klaus Schmidt has been a strong supporter of CAST’s Global Scholar Initiative, and has conducted many international activities during the past five years. Schmidt’s international background with an undergraduate degree from Germany and graduate education from the University of Missouri, combined with his interest in languages and cultures, have prepared him to succeed in an environment that fosters the internationalization of Illinois State as much as CAST does.

During their visit, a collaboration was established that will allow two FCS human development and family resource students to visit New Zealand in summer 2011. Students will be participating in a sabbatical training, and the Christies’ enthusiasm and work, resulting in a standing ovation.

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