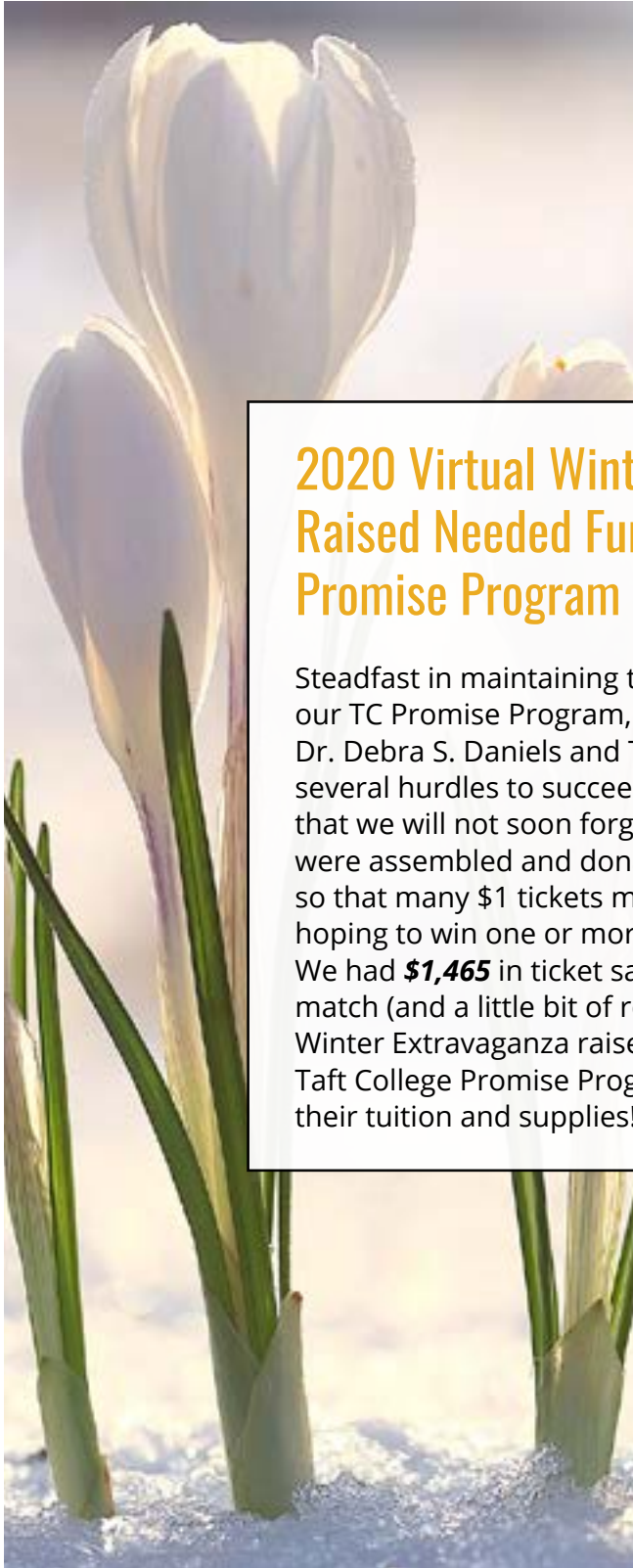


Superintendent/President Dr. Deb Daniels Delivers Message of Hope for 2021

"Happy New Year! I am very glad that 2021 has finally arrived. Reflecting on all that we have accomplished together in 2020, I am inspired, *beyond grateful*, and even optimistic about where we are headed this coming year. It is a landmark year for many reasons, the most important of which is meeting and exceeding the expectations of our visiting Accrediting Commission in September. Vaccines are being distributed—*it is my hope* that the College will be given priority to receive them soon! Some student athletes are now in the process of returning to campus for spring sports activities that best adhere to strict safety protocols. And, *I have unwavering hope* that we will return to a normal class schedule in the summer term. *My wish for you* is to stay safe, model perseverance for our students, and continue delivering student success at the highest levels. As our centennial approaches in 2022, *I am quite confident* that Taft College students will much appreciate the extraordinary efforts you are all giving them."

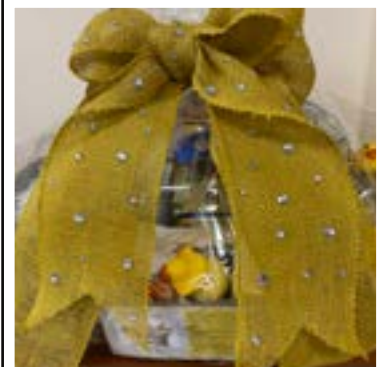
Dr. Deb Daniels, Taft College Superintendent/President

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HAPPY NEW YEAR



2020 Virtual Winter Extravaganza Raised Needed Funds for Taft College Promise Program Students

Steadfast in maintaining the ritual to raise funds for our TC Promise Program, Superintendent/President Dr. Debra S. Daniels and Taft College staff overcame several hurdles to succeed again in 2020, a year that we will not soon forget. **17 beautiful baskets** were assembled and donated by various departments so that many \$1 tickets might be sold to bidders hoping to win one or more of the overflowing baskets. We had **\$1,465** in ticket sales! With Dr. Daniels' match (and a little bit of rounding . . .), the 2020 Winter Extravaganza raised **\$3,000** to help 2021 Taft College Promise Program students pay for their tuition and supplies! Thank you, Dr. Daniels!





2020 ACTIVITY CHALLENGE



Allisa Tweedy



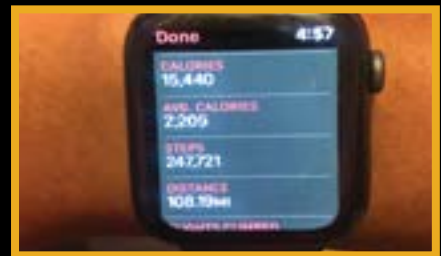
Janeè Edgar



Jeanene Robertson



The Cutrona Family



Hector Leonzo



Fall Spectacular Activity Challenge Winners!

Superintendent/President Dr. Debra S. Daniels announced the prize recipients for the Fall Spectacular Activity Challenge on December 16, 2020. The winners are listed to the right. Over 60 days, 30 participants logged a whopping 112,359 minutes of collective activity. Having won the first-ever Activity Challenge and thus deemed ineligible for a top prize this time, Heather del Rosario was awarded a \$50.00 gift card for her minute total of 10,248, again a benchmark that no participant was able to match. Dr. Daniels stated, "Every single person who participated is a winner in my book!" Congratulations to all the deserving prize winners!

Top Prize Recipients for Most Activity Minutes

Remote Employees

- 1st Prize (\$250 Gift Card): **Hector Leonzo**
- 2nd Prize (\$150 Gift Card): **Diane Jones**
- 3rd Prize (\$100 Gift Card): **Jeanene Robertson**

On-Site Employees

- 1st Prize (\$250 Gift Card): **Janeè Edgar**
- 2nd Prize (\$150 Gift Card): **Allisa Tweedy**
- 3rd Prize (\$100 Gift Card): **Myisha Cutrona**

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FREE Orientations Held to Generate Concurrent Enrollment in HEPP and Energy Technology

Taft College Dean of Instruction and CTE Dr. Jessica Grimes launched a pilot program in partnership with TUHS leadership to drive concurrent enrollment of local high school juniors and seniors into introductory Taft College HEPP and Energy Technology classes. Held on January 11 and 12, the orientations were generously sponsored by Synagro, Valley Republic Bank, and the Taft College Foundation.



2021 Spring Forward Activity Challenge Begins Late January

In the continuing uncertainty of 2020, the Fall Spectacular Activity Challenge successfully brought Taft College staff working remotely together with those working on-site in pursuit of their personal fitness goals. Look for Dr. Daniels' email announcement of the new 2021 Spring Forward Activity Challenge soon!