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**Shaw, Foy to highlight second  
in three-part Gateway centennial speaker series**

Gateway Technical College will continue its celebration as the first technical college in America with the second part of its speaker series, featuring Racine Unified School District Superintendent James Shaw and Wisconsin Technical College System Executive Assistant Morna Foy.

Shaw and Foy will provide a presentation on educational policy noon to 1 p.m. June 2 in Room 102 of the Conference Center on the Racine Campus, 1001 Main St. Appetizers and refreshments will be served 11:30 a.m. to noon.

The event marks the second of a three-part series celebrating Gateway's 100-year anniversary.

Shaw has a long and distinguished career in education in Southeastern Wisconsin, serving in a number of leadership roles including as superintendent of the Menomonee Falls School District, assistant superintendent for business as well as curriculum and instruction of Kettle Moraine School District and as an agency administrator for Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA) 2. Prior to his appointment as superintendent of RUSD, Shaw served as a clinical professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Foy is responsible for a variety of executive level administrative, policy and leadership functions on behalf of the WTCS president. In addition to overseeing the system's policy and government relations activities, Foy shares responsibility for the internal administration of the system office. Foy also served as senior policy advisor to the WTCS and her previous government experience includes supervising evaluations of a number of state programs for the Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau.

Gateway is celebrating its 100-year anniversary as the first publicly-funded technical college in Wisconsin and America with a number of events and activities, including a traveling archive exhibit and a July centennial celebratory walk. The July 12 walk will begin at the site of the Racine Campus prior to its current location, and will be held as part of a statewide 100th anniversary celebration of technical colleges. Wisconsin was the first state to pass legislation allowing for the creation of local continuation schools, which would later become technical colleges.

The Racine Continuation School -- the name predecessor to Gateway Technical College -- was the first to be established in Wisconsin.

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Gateway Technical College collaborates with communities in Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties to ensure economic growth and viability by providing education, training, leadership and technological resources to meet the changing needs of students, employers and communities.

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