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# MCLENNAN HIGHLANDER QUARTERLY



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# GOLF CLASSIC CELEBRATES 30 YEARS OF RAISING FUNDS

The 30th Annual MCC Foundation Golf Classic took place Friday, Oct. 7 at the beautiful Cottonwood Creek Golf Course. Over 200 golfers teed off in hopes of winning the coveted McLennan Cup and in support of the

students of McLennan Community College. This year's tournament raised \$50,000 in net proceeds, one of the highest in tournament history, to benefit student scholarships and special needs at McLennan. The MCC Foundation thanks the over 120 local businesses who supported this year's tournament.

Golfers enjoyed some cooler weather and hole-in-one opportunities sponsored by Richard Karr Motors. Lunch and refreshments were sponsored by: Rudy's Bar-B-Que, Dr Pepper Snapple Group, Great Western Dining Services, Chick-fil-A, Automatic Chef Canteen, Blue Bell Creameries, and Chuy's Mexican Cantina! During lunch, the Foundation honored two of the MCC Foundation Golf Classic founders — Rick Butler and Stan Mitchell — in cutting the 30th birthday cakes for the tournament (pictured above). The McLennan





Dance Company (pictured left) gave a spirited performance during the lunch hour.

We give sincerest thanks to all of our sponsors, donors, players and volunteers for making this tournament so successful for the past 30 years. We especially want to thank MCC's Physical Plant team (Robert Fajardo, Bryan Mohan, Will Truehitt, Dave Rachuig, and Zach Vanek) for their hard work in setting up the tournament. Next year's tournament will take place on **October** 

**6, 2017** at Cottonwood Creek Golf Course. For questions or to discuss sponsorship opportunities, please contact Jana Bland (<u>jbland@mclennan.edu</u>). To view pictures from the 30th Annual Golf Classic, please visit the <u>MCC Foundation's Facebook page!</u>

Pictured left: Morning champions with MCC Foundation Executive Director Harry Harelik. Team members were Chris Holzshu, Stoney Womack, Cameron Holzshu, and Adam Rivera.

Pictured middle: Group photo of some of the McLennan Community College staff volunteers. Over 30 volunteers work the tournament each year!

Pictured right: Afternoon champions with MCC Foundation Executive Director Harry Harelik. Team members were David Anderton, Chad Hanson, Jeff Latherm, and Charlie Rigney.



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Call 254-299-8604 for more information about the McLennan Community College Foundation or to participate in next year's tournament on Oct. 6, 2017.

# 2017-18 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

SPREAD THE WORD! The scholarship competition for 2017-18 academic year began Oct. 1 and the deadline for application submission (including all required references and transcripts) is January 15, 2017. The application can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>. Please note that this is the only scholarship competition for the 2017-18 year. Students are encouraged to apply now. Please contact Shelley Cotten (<a href="mailto:scotten@mclennan.edu">scotten@mclennan.edu</a> or 254-299-8818) for additional information.

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

The McLennan Community College Foundation, at the direction of the MCC Professional Development Committee, awarded professional development awards totaling \$17,006 from July 1 - Oct. 10, 2016. These awards helped the following staff and faculty attend various conferences and trainings across the nation.

- Tony Alexander Colleague Studio: Form Development
- Jana Bland 2016 Public Relations Society of America International Conference
- Glenn Downing International Sculpture Conference
- Sandra Dubowsky National Association of Biology Teachers Annual Conference
- Mitchell Eichblatt Colleague Studio: Programming Fundamentals (Virtual)
   Fay Gutierrez - CSOTTE Fall 2016 Teacher
- Fay Gutierrez CSOTTE Fall 2016 Teacher Education Conference
- Brian Konzelman 141st Annual Audio Engineering Convention
- Stacy Kuehn AMATYC Annual Conference
- Tina Lyles NACADA
- Donna Mendoza AARC Congress 2016
- Kristi Patton CSOTTE Fall 2016 Teacher Education Conference
- Jessica Shelton Texas Counseling Association's Annual Professional Growth Conference
- Otsmar Villarroel 2016 Biennial Conference on Chemical Education
- Karen Werner South Central Modern Language Association



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# ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP, ALUMNI, & DONOR RECOGNITION

The MCC Foundation's annual Scholarship, Donor and Alumni Recognition Ceremony and Reception was held Sept. 8. The event, previously held at the Conference Center at McLennan, was moved to the Waco Convention Center to accommodate the large crowd of students, families, donors, faculty, and staff who attend each year! The foundation recognized the highest number of student scholarship recipients — 371 — since its inception in 1990.

The MCC Foundation honored 8 major donors for the 2015-16 year: American Business Women's Association (HUACO Chapter), Brazos Higher Education Service Corporation, Cooper Foundation, Mr. David Dickson & Family, Mr. and Mrs. David Fornoff, Dr. Shirley Kenny, the McLennan County Medical Society, and the Jewell Woods Estate. We thank these donors for their investments in McLennan Community College.

Guests were entertained by student saxophonist Corbin Myers prior to the keynote address given by prominent McLennan alumna and LaVega ISD Superintendent Dr. Sharon Shields

(*pictured right*). Dr. Shields challenged the students in attendance to reach their goals and dream big, citing that MCC can adequately prepare them to transfer to a four-year school or successfully enter the workforce.

The MCC Foundation's Highlander Alumni & Friends Association presented their annual awards — the Distinguished Alumni and Distinguished Young Leader awards. Mary Perez was named the 2016 Distinguished Alumna. Perez, a 2005 graduate of McLennan Community College, obtained her Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from Baylor University in 2007. Perez, now a Senior Associate at Texas Life Insurance Company in Waco, is heavily engaged in the community of Waco by serving on several local nonprofit committees and boards including: The Cove, Habitat for Humanity, Communities in Schools, American Cancer Society, and many more!





Pictured right to left: MCC President Dr. Johnette McKown, 2016 Distinguished Young Leader Saul Cornejo Bravo, 2016 Distinguished Alumna Mary Perez and MCC Foundation Executive Director Harry Harelik

"My education at MCC stemmed well beyond linear algebra, differential equations, coefficients of friction, and electron orbits," said Perez. "Wonderful instructors and staff not only prepared me to effortlessly matriculate to Baylor, but they also instilled a deep love and commitment to bettering this wonderful community MCC serves."

Saul Cornejo Bravo of Waco was awarded the 2016 Distinguished Leader Award. Bravo graduated from McLennan Community College in 2016 and is currently pursuing his Bachelor of Business Administration Degree at the University of Texas at Austin. Bravo came to McLennan as a Bernard and Audre Rapoport First Generation Scholar. Bravo immediately engaged on campus and led several efforts – including the "Up to Us" campaign raising awareness on the national debt. Bravo was also a member of the Hispanic Student Association, McLennan Honors College, and Phi Theta Kappa during his time at McLennan.



**ARTS NOTES** 

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# 2016-17 STEINWAY SERIES CONCERTS & 2017 GALA

The community should be excited about MCC's 2016-17 theatre and Steinway Concert season! We invite you to take a look at the 2016-17 Theatre season offerings and support the arts at MCC by joining the MCC Foundation Hearts in the Arts. Please click <a href="here">here</a> to view the theatre brochure and the Hearts in the Arts membership form.

**Steinway Concerts** 

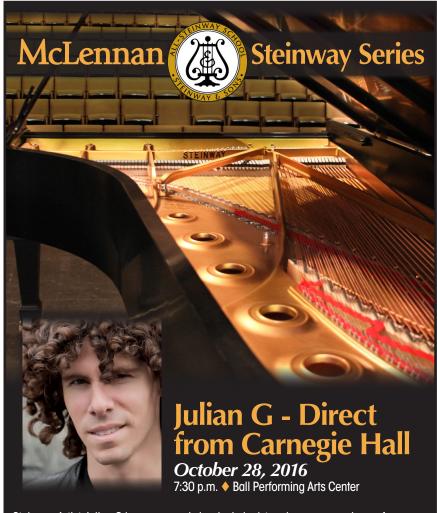
The MCC Foundation is honored to bring renowned Steinway Artist Julian Gargiulo to Waco on Friday, Oct. 28. The Steinway Series concert titled "Julian G - Direct from Carnegie Hall" will take place at the Ball Performing Arts Center on campus. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. This concert is free for Steinway donors and Hearts in the Arts members, as well as MCC faculty, staff, and students! Community tickets may be purchased for \$5 from the McLennan Box Office (254-299-8200; Monday-Friday, noon-3 p.m.).

The second Steinway Series concert featuring pianist Margery McDuffie Whatley will be held January 31, 2017.

2017 Theatre Gala



Save the date for the 2017 Hearts in the Arts Theatre Gala Thursday, February 23! This year's gala will feature a cocktail reception prior to McLennan Theatre's performance of *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* in the Ball Performing Arts Center. Sponsorships for the 2017 Hearts in the Arts Theatre Gala are being accepted through January 15. If you are interested in sponsoring the gala, please access the form <a href="mailto:here">here</a>. If you have questions regarding this year's Hearts in the Arts membership, Steinway Series concert or the Hearts in the Arts Gala, please contact Jana Bland (<a href="mailto:jbland@mclennan.edu">jbland@mclennan.edu</a> or 254-299-8481).



Steinway Artist Julian G is a renowned classical pianist and composer, who performs all over the world, in prestigious venues such as New York's Carnegie Hall, Singapore's Symphony Stage, and Sydney's Esplanade. Julian G concerts are always an interactive experience. A classically trained pianist, Julian captivates his audience not only with his technical precision but with his Woody Allen-ish wit as well. Julian invites his audience to abandon all preconceived notions about classical concerts. On stage he presents a program which includes classical standards, Tango transcriptions, as well as his own compositions. In between pieces, he engages the audience by sharing his personal stories, anecdotes from the lives of composers, and his home remedies for jet-lag.

"Saturday Night Live meets Carnegie Hall" (Huffington Post)
"Julian builds a rapport with his listeners...a formula that works." (TimeOut Singapore)

Free for Steinway Donors and Hearts in the Arts Members as well as MCC faculty, staff, and students.

Community tickets may be purchased for \$5 from the MCC Box Office.

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### **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**

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# MCC ALUM NAMED HR PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

In August, Ginia Chapline, Senior Vice President of Talent at Texas Trust Credit Union, was named the 2016 Human Resources Professional of the Year by the Cornerstone Credit Union League. Chapline, who has been with Texas Trust since 2008, earned the honor for her many accomplishments at the credit union during her eight-year

tenure. We asked Chapline to share her MCC Story.

I started at McLennan Community College in the Fall of 1979 right after graduating from Jefferson Moore High School in Waco. At the end of my first semester, I got married and continued taking courses until the birth of my eldest son in 1984. Soon after my second son was born in Fall 1987, I began working as an Accounts Payable Clerk for Time Manufacturing Company. Knowing the importance of having a degree I resumed taking classes at MCC in 1992 while working full-time and raising two growing boys. That same year, I was promoted to Assistant Director of Human Resources. I continued courses at MCC throughout the 1990s. In 1999, I was promoted to HR Director.

Along the way I learned that balancing a job, family, and school can be very challenging! I became Director of HR at Sterling Trust Company in Waco in 2002 and was unable to focus on school for the next few years. In late 2006 a change in my husband's job caused us to relocate to Fort Worth. By then I had been promoted to Vice President of HR and was commuting to my job in Waco. Although I had been successful in my career, I recognized that I needed to complete my degree. I was still 12 credit hours away from graduation. Fortunately the classes I needed to complete my degree were available online and finally in December 2008 I received my Associate Degree in Applied Science with an emphasis in Business from McLennan Community College!

While I don't recommend to anyone that they take as long as I did to complete their degree, I highly recommend getting a degree and not losing site of that goal! I appreciate the help I received along the way from professors and staff at MCC, as well as encouragement from my family, friends, and employers.

Chapline's story is similar to thousands of nontraditional students who have used McLennan Community College to reach their long-term goals in a cost-effective and efficient way! Congratulations, Ginia, on your recent achievement and thank you for sharing your MCC Story!



Pictured Above: Chapline in 1979 when she began her higher education at MCC

Pictured Below: Chapline in 1997 being recognized



The "Alumni Spotlight" highlights a McLennan alum and his/her achievements since graduation.

Do you know of an alum who should be featured? Email alumni testimonials and pictures to <a href="mailto:ibland@mclennan.edu">ibland@mclennan.edu</a> to be included in future newsletters and McLennan Community College Foundation promotions.

The Highlander Alumni & Friends Association is FREE to alumni, faculty, staff, students, and community members. Join the Alumni Association today to receive important campus and event information from the MCC Foundation.

Members may register at <u>alumni.mclennan.edu</u>.



### SUPPORTING EDUCATION

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# **HOW IMPORTANT IS SUPPORTING EDUCATION?**



Pictured above: Partial photo of some of the almost 400 MCC scholarship recipients for the 2016-17 academic year!

By Harry Harelik, Executive Director of the MCC Foundation

To many, the question might be silly. Most people would suggest that education is one of the most critical components of being successful in life. Success in career endeavors can mean substantially more financial success and can translate into success not only for the individual but also for the family (the ripple effect both in terms of financial support and in expanding by example the number of individuals within a family who pursue education and eventually, financial success). Consequently, if the individual and the family are improved, that generally translates into community improvement. The more educated and successful individuals who live and work in a community, the more successful is the community.

So, if one had the opportunity to get the "best bang for the buck" in educational support, wouldn't it make sense to make sure the gifted funds go the furthest? Another silly question. And if the support of education had the best chance of improving one's own community, wouldn't it make the most sense to donate to the educational institution which best supported the donor's local community? Yet another silly question.

McLennan Community College returns more educated students to McLennan County than any other institution of higher learning.

Donors who see the importance of education and who know the importance of supporting their community look to McLennan Community College to ensure local students have a chance to effectively finance their college education.

There are so many ways to support education at McLennan Community College AND achieve an income tax deduction by donating to the McLennan Community College Foundation through:

- 1. Annual gifts to scholarship funds
- 2. Initializing a scholarship fund in a donor's name, a loved one's name or a family name
- 3. Honoring or memorializing individuals with a gift to a general or specific scholarship fund
- 4. Naming the MCC Foundation as a charity of choice in the obituary of a loved one
- 5. Naming the MCC Foundation as a beneficiary of a will, either with a specific amount or a percentage of the residuary estate (the estate remaining after expenses and other specific bequests are satisfied),
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Please consider supporting your MCC Foundation and contact us today for assistance!





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# 50 YEARS SINCE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES AT MCC



September 19 marked the 50th Anniversary of the first day of classes at McLennan Community College. The college celebrated by serving cake to students on Monday, Sept. 19 in the Michaelis Academic Center. The event was sponsored by the University Center at McLennan and underwritten by Student Success. Faculty and students attended the celebration, which featured a cake cutting by the three college presidents and one of the first students to register at McLennan in 1965. Pictured left are: Mrs. Millie Westbrook Woods, Dr. Johnette McKown, Dr. Wilbur A. Ball and Dr. Dennis Michaelis.

A "Picnic on the Grounds" for MCC students after the cake ceremony was sponsored by Student Success, the Men of Color Initiative and McLennan Student Council. Both events were well attended and officially concluded McLennan Community College's 50th Anniversary celebrations. We look forward to the next 50 years at MCC!



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The McLennan Community College Foundation is committed to enriching the college and the communities it serves by supporting its 8,500 students, 850 faculty and staff members, and by improving facilities on our 200-acre campus. The MCC Foundation Board of Trustees leads the Foundation in these endeavors.

The 2016 MCC Foundation Board of Directors are (Back row, left to right): Randy Cox; J. Clay Sawyer, M.D.; Charles Moore; Kent Keahey; Harry I. Harelik; Paul McClinton (Chair); Winfred Watkins; Wesley Filer (Vice-Chair); Judge Rex Davis; Louie Englander; and Dana Hassel.

(Front row, left to right) Betty Bauer; Sharon Allison (Treasurer); Dr. Hazel Rowe; Geneva Watley; Phyllis Blackwood; Linda Hatchel; and Dr. Johnette McKown (Secretary). Not pictured: Diane Deaver; Nashim Hamilton; Luanne Klaras; Doug McDurham; Judge Vicki Menard; Ellie Morrison; Valerie Robinson; and Murray Watson, Jr.

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