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WHY SUPPORT THE MCLENNAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION?



The McLennan Community College Foundation is the ONLY nonprofit organization specifically chartered to raise funds for scholarships for McLennan students. While the Foundation participates in many aspects of McLennan college life, as this newsletter indicates, the Foundation's PRIMARY function is to help students afford the costs of college attendance.

McLennan students generally remain in the McLennan County community, becoming part of the workforce, tax base and civic life of the area. Supporting the McLennan Community College Foundation thereby supports local student success AND community long-term success.

Your support is encouraged, requested and VERY much appreciated! Traditional annual gifts, bequests through last wills and testaments, high rate of return charitable gift annuities and special activity funds are just a few of the ways you can support local education in our community.



MCLENNAN DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

The college's Distinguished Lecture Series recorded another major success when the McLennan Community College Foundation's Distinguished Lecture Fund hosted Pulitzer Prizewinning investigative journalist Bob Woodward at the McLennan Conference Center on Oct. 22. A standing-room-only crowd of almost 800 packed the Conference Center to hear Mr. Woodward's "conversation" in dialogue with McLennan's own Professor Ashley Cruseturner. Ashley, in preparation for the dialogue, had read every one of Mr. Woodward's 22 books.

Prior to the dialogue, the Highlander Alumni Association sponsored a screening of the movie "All the President's Men," starring Dustin Hoffman and Robert Redford. Redford played Mr. Woodward's part in the movie, which told the story of Woodward's and Carl Bernstein's investigative reporting of the break-in at the Democratic Party headquarters in Washington, D.C., at the Watergate Hotel. The incident eventually forced then U.S. President Richard Nixon to resign from office.

Not only did Woodward charm the audience at the Conference Center, he also presented beautifully to McLennan students at a special question and answer session, as well as to Foundation donors at a dinner that preceded the dialogue at the Conference Center. *Continued, p. 2*



Ashley Cruseturner & Bob Woodward

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FOUNDATION NEWS

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MCLENNAN DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

McLennan's Distinguished Lecture Series is primarily funded through the McLennan Community College Foundation's \$500,000 Distinguished Lecture Fund, which was donated by local anonymous philanthropists and their family. The cost of the Woodward visit was supplemented by the Community Bank and Trust of Waco and McLennan Community College. The Distinguished Lecture Fund is used to bring a noted lecturer to the college in alternate years to enhance the knowledge of McLennan students and the entire community.

HIGHLANDER LEGACY PLAZA



The McLennan Community College Foundation continues to offer personal pavers for the college's Highlander Legacy Plaza. Small pavers are \$100 and large pavers are \$250. These are ideal for McLennan alumni to have their name on campus in perpetuity or to honor a person, family, teacher or employer for a special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, graduation, etc.

You don't have to be an alum to have a paver! The paver purchases are open to all who are interested. An artist's rendition of the Highlander Legacy Plaza, showing basic pavers as well as the Premier 50th Anniversary Sponsor Plaques is shown. For more information and to purchase a paver, please contact the McLennan Community College Foundation office.

ANNUAL FOUNDATION HOLIDAY DINNER

The McLennan Community College Foundation held its annual holiday dinner on Dec. 2 at the college's Conference Center. In addition to a mouth-watering buffet, guests were entertained by McLennan music students taught by Gail Wade and Lise Uhl.

In addition to guests being reminded of the accomplishments of the McLennan Community College Foundation over the past year, outgoing Board Chair Ann Roznovsky was honored, as were Randy Cox and Bill Goss as outgoing trustees. Diane Castello, who was unable to attend, was also honored as an outgoing trustee.

New incoming Foundation trustees were also introduced: Sharon Allison, Kent Keahey, Geneva Watley and Dr. Clay Sawyer.







KIM PATTERSON LEAVES FOUNDATION POSITION



The McLennan Community College Foundation recently announced that long-time Associate Director of Communications and Alumni Kim Patterson would be leaving the Foundation to assume the role of Associate Director of the University Center at McLennan.

Kim not only initiated, organized and completely guided the Highlander Alumni Association, but she has also led the effort to hit historic high net proceeds in our two recent major annual fundraisers — our fall golf tournament and our spring theatre gala. She has revolutionized our quarterly newsletter publication, expanded and completely improved

the Foundation's web page and brought the Foundation into the 21st Century with our social media presence on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and many others.

Kim has been responsible for coordinating our printed invitations, our magazine and newspaper promotions and advertising, and our now annual Alumni Awards. She has been at the helm, as well, of our many special events, handling everything from our fall scholarship recognition, annual golf tournament and holiday dinner to our spring theatre gala dinner in addition to many Foundation Board committees that she directs.

She will be missed incredibly but we wish her well in her new assignment.

Donors

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CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES

While most donors are familiar with the tax advantages of philanthropic gifts to charitable entities like the McLennan Community College Foundation for both lifetime gifts as well as for giving through one's last will and testament (testamentary giving), the advantages of giving through a charitable gift annuity are less well known.

The Charitable Gift Annuity is a vehicle by which an individual or a married couple simply invest in an annuity that pays them a high return during his (or their) lifetime and then transfers the balance of the annuity (if any) to a charity at the death of the donor or the last to die of the married couple. A charitable income tax deduction is available in the year the annuity is set up (measured by the present value of the expected transfer to the charitable organization at the donor's death). The donor(s) receives a set monthly distribution for his (or their) lifetime and the balance, if any, left at the donor's (or donors') death is transferred to the charitable entity without being included in the donor's estate.





This vehicle is ideal for donors who either have no children or who have large enough estates that a charitable bequest will not negatively impact the donors' family. In addition, a high return is available (for a donor age 75, the current charitable gift annuity payout rate is 5.7%; for a donor who is age 85, the payout rate is 7.8%.) and the rate is guaranteed for the donor's life.

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The beauty of this arrangement is that as donors get older, they rarely want to be burdened with constant investment decisions nor do they want to worry about the amount of income they will be getting monthly to pay expenses. With the Charitable Gift Annuity, a donor knows exactly how much is coming each and every month, regardless of his inability to monitor the investment or the condition of the economy.

The McLennan Community College Foundation in conjunction with the Austin Community Foundation will provide the Charitable Gift Annuity so that McLennan Community College Foundation donors wishing to provide at their deaths for scholarships at McLennan Community College may do so. Please contact Harry Harelik, Executive Director of the McLennan Community College Foundation, for more information on this perfect giving instrument.

Campus News

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MCLENNAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S

50th Anniversary Celebration

McLennan Community College will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in the 2015-2016 academic year, and the McLennan Community College Foundation is leading the planning for the celebratory year. A committee has been hard at work for over a year organizing the various events for the college and the community.



The 50th Anniversary committee determined that costs for the yearlong celebration should not be borne by the college and, as a result, Premier Sponsorships are planned to raise the funding needed. Premier Sponsors will donate #10,000 in four \$2,500 installments. Each sponsor will receive a year's worth of recognition at all anniversary events, including entrance and tables at ticketed events, and also will receive a large engraved bronze plaque in the Highlander Legacy Plaza on campus, permanently recognizing the sponsor's support.

At press time of this newsletter, 21 Premier Sponsors are confirmed. For more information, please contact Harry Harelik at the McLennan Community College Foundation office.



ANNUAL FOUNDATION HEARTS IN THE ARTS GALA IS FEB. 27.

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HIGHLANDER QUARTERLY

The McLennan Community College Foundation's annual Hearts in the Arts Gala is scheduled for Feb. 27! The gala includes a scrumptous dinner at the elaborate Waco home of Carey Hobbs, followed by a rousing rendition of the TONY award-winning musical "Spamalot" at McLennan's Ball Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are \$75 per person and seating is limited. To receive a formal invitation or make a reservation, please contact the McLennan Community College Foundation office at 299-8604 or email Rose DeLeon at rdeleon@mclennan.edu.

Part of the gala scholarship fundraiser includes the annual jewelry raffle, and this year, with the help of Boozer's Fine Jewelers, we are raffling a \$4,000 ladies' diamond Tag Heuer watch. Tickets are \$25 (or two for \$40 and 6 for \$100). Need not be present to win.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT MCLENNAN?

Many readers will be surprised to know that for many years, McLennan has been home to many international students. In the Fall 2013, for instance, students from 17 different countries attended McLennan — including students from the nations of Ethiopia, Nepal, Canada, China, The Czech Republic, India, Georgia (former Soviet Union), The United Kingdom, Jamaica, Nigeria, Syria, Kenya, Uganda, Venezuela, Angola, Mexico and Brazil.

International students not only enrich the culture of the college but also allow local students the opportunity to enhance their college experience by getting to know students from many parts of the world.





GRANTS & NISOD NOMINEES

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

The McLennan Community College Foundation each year provides dozens of professional development grants for staff and faculty to travel and register for conferences, workshops and presentations across the country, including some international travel.

Funding is provided by the Foundation's special \$1 million dollar Professional Development Fund, formed with a U.S. Department of Education Title III grant, along with matching donor-provided funds.

Almost \$31,000 in professional development grants were awarded by the McLennan Professional Development committee in the last quarter of 2013, and we congratulate the following staff and faculty who received funding:

Herman Tucker: FERPA Training for Campus April Andreas: First Year Engineering Experience Conference Paulina Sidwell: First Year Engineering Experience Conference Lori Watts: 48th Annual Conference of the National Collegiate Honors Council **JoAnn Jumper**: Bridges Out of Poverty Training Jessica Shelton: NACADA Annual Conference **Mike Searight**: Gartner Symposium 2013 **Dustie Hamilton**: Integrating Student Services **Sharon Allen**: Elsevier Faculty Development Conference Kathleen Laundy: Los Angeles Music Academy College of Music Professionals Alex Shiu: MARS and Central Texas Great Teacher Seminar Brad Turner: GTS

Staci Taylor: Training Magazine's 37th Annual Training Conference Monique Hoskins: LEAD Annual Conference Natalie James: LEAD Annual Conference Caleb Stroman: U.S. Institute Annual Theatre Technology Conference Michele Davis: 2014 National Nurse Practitioner Symposium Catherine Prause: CISCO Instructor Training Meredith Heffner: Central Texas Great Teacher Seminar James Burroughs: Central Texas Great Teacher Seminar Alisa Petree: NAACLS Workshop Laura Wichman: AIR 2014 Conference Jodi Tindell: Association of Institutional Research Annual Forum Kelly Parker: Five Day Fitzmaurice Voicework Workshop Cindv Burns: National Association For Developmental Education Conference

NISOD NOMINEES

We congratulate the following McLennan employees who are NISOD nominees for the 2013-2014 academic year. They received their engraved awards from the McLennan Community College Foundation at the spring Faculty Convocation on Jan. 8:



Dr. April Andreas



Becky Griffin



Dr. Harry (Buddy) Powell



Holly Surginer

Alumni News

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Competition to begin for Annual Highlander Alumni Association awards

Each year, two outstanding alumni are recognized at the McLennan Community College Foundation Scholar, Donor and Alumni Recognition in September. The awards are given through a nomination and competition process during the spring and summer each year. The two awards are:

- Distinguished Young Leader, recognizing a recent McLennan grad who was particularly active during his or her time at the college
- Distinguished Alumnus Award, for a McLennan grad who has pursued professional excellence and distinction after graduating.

Forms and information will be available soon, but we encourage college employees and community members to please consider a special individual you would like to nominate for one of these prestigious awards. Please contact Harry Harelik at the McLennan Community College Foundation for more information.

Membership in the Highlander Alumni and Friends Association is free and open to McLennan alumni AND the public, even for those who have not attended the college. Keep in touch through the Highlander Alumni and Friends Association. Click on the alumni icon at www.mclennan.edu.

A SCHOLARSHIP ALUM SPEAKS

Scholarships assist students attain heights not envisioned by the student as they look to higher education. Education not only helps the student but also affects the family and, eventually, the community. As former McLennan First Generation student Salvador Medina writes:

"Before I graduated high school, I had no real plans to attend college mainly because of lack of financial resources. A few months before graduating high school, I received an invitation to participate in the McLennan First Generation Scholarship program and decided to give it a try. I later received my associate degree in Accounting with a 4.0 GPA and, thanks to my grades, I received a 2-year scholarship to attend the University of Texas at Arlington. There I obtained a degree in Business Administration through the University Center, located at McLennan ... Thanks to McLennan and the First Generation program, I became the first person in my family to graduate college. McLennan has become a big part of my life and my family's life. I currently have a younger sister and two younger brothers attending McLennan. Thanks to McLennan and the First Generation program, going to college is not only a necessity in my family but also a tradition."

Please consider giving to or establishing a scholarship fund at the McLennan Community College Foundation. You will literally be changing lives. That is a true way to enrich others as well as our entire community.





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HONORARIUMS & MEMORIALS TO THE FOUNDATION October 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013

honorariums

In Honor of Sam and Sharon Allison, by: Ray and Cynthia Perry

In Honor of Henry Apperson's 80th Birthday, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Honor of Steve and Alyce Beard, by: Ray and Cynthia Perry

In Honor of Mike and Joy Bidwell, by: Robert and Kitty Tunmire

In Honor of Dr. Steve and Rusty Corwin, by: Ray and Cynthia Perry

In Honor of Rose DeLeon, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Linda Dulin, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Bill Geno, by: Katherine Geno

In Honor of Gene Gooch, by: Mary Pratt

In Honor of Bill and Sandy Goss, by: Ray and Cynthia Perry

In Honor of Fay Gutierrez, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Harry Harelik, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Carey Hobbs, by: Drs. Stanley and Johnette McKown In Honor of Nino Lamendola's 70th Birthday, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Honor of McLennan Math Department, by: Dr. Debbie Hewitt

In Honor of Dr. Johnette McKown, by: Thomas and Nancy Neill Kim Patterson

In Honor of Gilbert Montemayor, by: Angela Pool Funai

In Honor of Al Pollard, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Andi Ramon, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Linda Reichenbach, by: Lois Crook

In Honor of Mickey Reyes, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Annette Scott, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Cindy SoRelle, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Lance Summey, by: Kim Patterson

In Honor of Dr. Jackson Walker, by: Nancy Neill

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memorials

In Memory of Henry Abel, by: Don and Linda Stanford

In Memory of Harris Allen, by: Hatch Bailey

In Memory of Sarah Ann Averyhardt, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik Dr. Marylea Henderson Frank and Kim Patterson

In Memory of Pat Beard, by: Hatch Bailey Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Helen Blackwood, by: Gene and Susan Gooch Harry and Beverly Harelik Frank and Kim Patterson Al and Luwenda Pollard James and Mary Pratt Mickey Reyes Lynn and Beverly Roberts

In Memory of Patsy Cartwright, by: Bill and Sandra Goss Harry and Beverly Harelik Sheehy, Lovelace & Mayfield, P.C.

In Memory of Raye Evers, by: Hatch Bailey Joe and Joann Ingram

In Memory of David Fariss, by: William Ray Bailey

In Memory of Thomas Ford, by: Jim and Linda Hardwick

In Memory of David Gatlin, by: Don and Linda Stanford

In Memory of Lauren Ann Gervig, by: Hatch Bailey In Memory of Sam Graham, by: Bob and Mary Gardner

In Memory of Arden William Haltom, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik Mickey Reyes

In Memory of Helen L. Hamilton, by: Richard and Jane Moser Drum Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Nick Hamilton, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Allan Healer, by: Joe and Joann Ingram

In Memory of James Henderson, by: John Cleavelin

In Memory of Lorraine Hoppenstein, by: Jaynes, Reitmeier, Boyd & Therrell, P.C.

In Memory of Beth Jablonowski, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Charles Jaynes, by: Hatch Bailey

In Memory of Dr. William Henry Kolter, Jr., by: Radford and Betty Laney

In Memory of Walter E. Kruse, by: Royce and Janis Berger Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Martha Lantrip, by: Lynn and Beverly Roberts

In Memory of Glynn Lightsey, by: Joe and Joann Ingram

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memorial

In Memory of Travis Looper, by: Susan Belasco

In Memory of Harry Martinsen, by: Steven and Marylaine Driese MCC Library Staff

In Memory of Mrs. McFadden, by: Hatch Bailey

In Memory of Anne Ressler Meyer, by: Hatch Bailey

In Memory of Marylen Mosley, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Joyce O'Rear, by: Iva Helen Lee

In Memory of Winifred Plemons, by: Gene and Susan Gooch

In Memory of Rabbi Mordecai Podet, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik Ray and Cynthia Perry

In Memory of Dr. and Mrs. Harry C. Powell, Jr., by: Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hastings

In Memory of Gordon Lee Riley, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Dr. Charles Shellenberger, by: Hatch Bailey Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Richard (Dick) W. Wales, by: Harry and Beverly Harelik

In Memory of Gertie Wittenborn, by: Don and Linda Blair Stanford

In Memory of Paul D. Marable, Jr., by: Hatch Bailey Bill and Judy Bauer Barbara Browder Helen Browder Chester and Florence Carlson Mr. and Mrs. William L. Clifton, Jr. First United Methodist Church **Odell Dudley SS Class** Louis and Sue Getterman Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce Iim and Iudv Haller Harry and Beverly Harelik Jake and Bill Hester Kent and Jennifer James Larry and Lisa Jaynes Gus and Margaret Krueger, Jr. Henry M. Lewis Family L. B. and Ruth Lillard Drs. Stanley and Johnette McKown Mr. and Mrs. Vic McMullen Ronald and Dixie Messner Eddie and Ellie Morrison Louis Muldrow Ronald and Susan Nelson Dr. and Mrs. Bob Packard Ray and Cynthia Perry Charles Tolbert Sr. Waco Industrial Foundation Jim and Susan Weaver In Memory of Faye Martin, by:

Debbie Ballew Meghan Becker Helen Browder Harry and Beverly Harelik Monique Hoskins Natalie James