

MCLENNAN FOUNDATION

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SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT 2007

Thirteen New Scholarships Established

More than 700 people packed the MCC Conference Center Sept. 11 to celebrate the gift of knowledge, with guests including the donors who make those gifts possible and the successful students who earn them. Foundation Executive Director Harry Harelik announced that 13 new named endowed scholarship that total more than \$300,000 have recently been established at the MCC Foundation.

Donors who received pins inducting them into the Foundation's President's Circle include: Phillip Arrien and Kim Patterson, Murray Watson for the Brazos Higher Education Service Corporation, Kay Vinzant and Mark Kettler for the Heart of Texas Builder's Association, Ruth M. Laird Hix, David and Lorraine Hoppenstein, Lillian Marak Herbelin McKibben, Ken Young for the Northwest Optimist Club of Waco, Michael Paschall for the Independent Insurance Agents of Central Texas, Earl B. and Barbara Patrick, Bill Patterson, Drs. William and Ruth Pitts, Sam D. Simpson, and Dr. and Mrs. Harry Slade.

Named endowed scholarships at the MCC Foundation can be established with a minimum contribution of \$15,000 and are permanent, with income from the gift perpetually funding one or more MCC scholarships annually per the donor's wishes. For the 2007-2008 academic year, the MCC Foundation awarded 309 individual scholarships totaling more than \$258,000.

Guests at Scholarship Night were also treated to a breathtaking operatic performance by scholarship student Angela Yoon, accompanied by Andrew Hudson.



Top:
Angela Yoon
Middle:
Ruth Hix &
Harry Harelik
Bottom:
Stanley &
Glenda Strum

*Remember the MCC Foundation
in your annual giving
and estate planning.*

JUDGE: SUCCESS IS WITHIN REACH



In an address that was at once amusing, inspiring and heartbreaking, District Judge Vicki Menard

recounted her life's story of success for the students and guests at Scholarship Night Sept. 11.

Menard's personal climb from small-town girl who "didn't need college" to becoming the first female judge in McLennan County history is tale of grit and perseverance. Over the years, Menard said she could have found many reasons to quit her journey, including going through a divorce and losing her son in an auto accident.

"If you are looking for a reason to quit, you can always find one," Menard told the students. But quitting is obviously not in Menard's playbook.

Menard began her college career as a part-time

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20th ANNUAL FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT A BIG SUCCESS



Fay Gutierrez,
Renee Ramos



Johnette McKown,
Martin Schwartz



Tom O'Leary



Harry Harelik, Judy Haller,
Jim Haller, and former pro
basketball player and MCC
alumnus Vinnie Johnson



Bill Goss, Rick Butler, Steve Smith



October 5, 2007
Cottonwood Creek
Golf Course

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MCC student when she was a young mother caring for two toddlers and a husband. After three semesters at MCC, she transferred to Baylor full-time, where she endured the brow-raising stigma of being a pregnant student. In fact, she would have earned a perfect 4.0, except for the one final exam she missed because she went into labor with her third child. A few months later, Menard entered Baylor Law School, where she again excelled despite having to juggle the school's academic rigor with her responsibilities as a wife and mother.

After Menard graduated and passed the bar exam, she began a distinguished career that culminated in becoming a managing partner in her own law practice. In 2005, Governor Perry appointed her to the 414th District Court, where she hears a variety of civil and family law cases.

MEET OUR 2007 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Front row, left to right:

Ann Harder, Terry Stevens (Treasurer), Ann Sims (Chair), Ellan Burke (Chair-Elect), Judy Haller

Second row, left to right:

Kris Olson, Dottie Fornoff, Nell Hawkins, Jill Jones, Executive Director Harry Harelik, Dr. Ruth Pitts

Third row, left to right:

Ray Perry, Rev. Nika Davis, Ray Deaver, Dr. James Lewis

Back row, left to right:

Sean Kennedy (Student Representative), Johnny Mankin, Rondy Gray, Bill Goss, John Montez, Mike Bidwell, Hatch Bailey

Not pictured:

Dr. Lynn Abernathy, Dr. Debra Bishop, Linda Hilliard, Dr. Dennis Michaelis (Secretary), Tommy Salome

TAX & FINANCIAL PLANNING INSTITUTE NOV. 13

Plans are well underway for the 3rd annual MCC Foundation *Tax and Financial Planning Institute* on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at the Conference Center.

This full-day workshop, which presents current news on tax and estate planning, tax law, and other topics, is designed for CPAs, attorneys, and financial advisors. The conference is offered through a partnership of the MCC Foundation with the Central Texas Chapter CPAs, the Waco-McLennan County Bar Association, the Heart of Texas Estate Planning Council and the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors of Waco.

Cost is \$125 per person and participants will receive eight hours of continuing education credit along with a continental breakfast, two snacks and a light lunch. To receive a registration brochure or learn more, call the MCC Foundation at 254-299-8604 or visit www.mclennan.edu/departments/foundation and click on "Tax and Financial Planning Institute."

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LITERACY COALITION GIVES \$3,000

Members of the Central Texas Literacy Coalition presented a check for \$3,000 to the MCC Foundation at the group's fall meeting Sept. 27. The gift brings Foundation contributions from the CTLC to a total of almost \$13,000. Pictured at right is CTLC board member Helen Jones with Foundation Executive Director Harry Harelik.



The CTLC was established in 1989 to encourage collaboration among groups involved in the literacy effort. The group strives to promote public awareness of illiteracy and encourage participation in efforts to promote literacy through tutoring, training and scholarships.



“THE GIFT OF KNOWLEDGE” CAMPAIGN

Mousepads, bookmarks, print advertising ... you will be seeing the new “The Gift of Knowledge” theme in many MCC Foundation communications pieces in the coming months. The campaign is designed to carry the message that because so many MCC graduates remain in our area, a gift to the MCC Foundation builds our community, one life at a time.

2008-2009 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION UPDATE

New MCC Foundation scholarship applications for the 2008-2009 academic year will be available beginning Oct. 15th from the college web site: <https://mclennan.scholarships.nelnet.net>.

This year, the scholarship application process will be almost entirely online. Because of the large numbers of applicants, the due date for applications will be at 5 p.m. January 15, 2008. Recipients will be notified about their awards in May next year and funds will be available for the following fall and spring semesters.

MEMORIALS TO THE FOUNDATION JUNE 29-OCTOBER 1, 2007

In Memory of Marjorie-Ann Arrien

Donation Given by: Mrs. Jean A. Brinser
Mrs. Margaret Boulogne McNulty
Dr. & Mrs. B. S. Mullan
Dr. Cynthia M. SoRelle

In Memory of Barry Belknap

Donation Given by: Mr. Harry I. Harelik

In Memory of Virginia Bounds

Donation Given by: Mr. Harry I. Harelik

In Memory of Margaret C. B. Clifton

Donation Given by: David & Annette Scott
Lindsey & Kelsey Scott
Mrs. Linda Stanford

In Memory of Charles D. Fabian

Donation Given by: David & Annette Scott
Lindsey & Kelsey Scott

In Memory of Walter Adams Glockzin

Donation Given by: Mr. & Mrs. James R. Rambo
Dr. Cynthia SoRelle

In Memory of Lena Merie Hill

Donation Given by: Mr. Harry I. Harelik

In Memory of Helen Houck

Donation Given by: Mr. Harry I. Harelik

In Memory of Rosalie Hudson

Donation Given by: MCC 4th Floor Group
Mrs. Brenda Price
Mrs. Linda D. Stanford
Mr. Harry I. Harelik

In Memory of Carole Johnson

Donation Given by: Robert & Michelle Johnson

In Memory of Dr. Jim Lane

Donation Given by: Mr. Harry I. Harelik

In Memory of Elah Mae Griffin Ellison Lester

Donation Given by: Mr. Harry I. Harelik

In Memory of Ralph Lynn

Donation Given by: Harry I. Harelik
Dr. William N. Roddy

In Memory of Mary Lopez

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In Memory of Bernice Mize

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In Memory of Margaret Middlebrooks

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In Memory of Lloyd & Mary Pruett

Donation Given by: Robert & Michelle Johnson

In Memory of Doris Renshaw

Donation Given by: Mr. & Mrs. A. Carmack Berryman

In Memory Marcus Lamar Ross III

Donation Given by: Mr. Harry I. Harelik