



COMMUNITY AND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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Recession's Impact Minimized by OCF Prudent Policies

The turbulent economy has had a significant impact on scholarship fund earnings in 2009. The last half of 2008 and into 2009 was a difficult period to say the very least, as market values for investments in nearly every category—and for nearly every person in the United States—declined sharply.

Though revenue declined significantly during these difficult times, we are especially grateful for the effective management of our scholarship fund by the Oregon Community Foundation. At OCF, MHS Scholarship Funds are combined with the assets of over 1600 other permanent charitable funds of various sizes, to achieve high total returns with a low level of risk. Each individual fund benefits from the strength of a large pooled portfolio. The result is high quality, diversified investment management at reasonable fees and costs.

Over much of the last decade, the earnings from our scholarship fund have far exceeded the endowment distributions we have received from the Oregon Community Foundation to give out in scholarships. The events of the past year have certainly confirmed the

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wisdom of OCF's conservative endowment distribution payout formula—a payout of 4.5% of the fund's earnings, computed on a thirteen month trailing average fund balance.

The national economic recovery is expected to be slow through 2010, but growth rates are expected to improve. One of OCF's most important responsibilities is the stewardship of chari-

table funds. At OCF, the MHS Scholarship funds are placed in a broadly diversified investment portfolio that is structured to produce investment returns that exceed market averages, particularly in down markets. The OCF endowment is strong, currently exceeding \$800 million. We are pleased to report that our year-to-date returns through June 30, 2009 are 7.2%.

We are very thankful for the continued support that we receive from Marshfield's generous alumni and friends. This newsletter features just a few examples of how the MHS Scholarship program is making a difference in the lives of MHS graduates, who are also impacted by the recession. For more information regarding the Marshfield High School Endowment Fund and opportunities to give, contact Candace McGowne, CandaceM@coos-bay.k12.or.us 541-267-1316.

Jessica Criger—MHS '07 Scholarship Recipient Spotlight

Looking at Jessica's awards, honors and transcripts attached to her scholarship application in the spring of 2007, it would appear that a university experience would be a given. President of the MHS Chapter of the National Honor Society, Valedictorian, Homecoming Queen, Faculty Award, American Legion Good Citizen Award, a record of challenging college prep classes with a 4.00 GPA... what could keep this girl from joining the ranks of other college freshmen in her class? MONEY.

When reading her scholarship application, it becomes evident that Jessica was fully aware of the challenges of paying for her goal of a college edu-



cation. Knowing that her family would not be able to be a factor in financially supporting her education, Jessica worked part-time jobs and did baby sitting while maintaining a 4.00 GPA during her 4 years at MHS. Near the end of the 10th grade, Jessica realized that achieving her educational goals would take long range planning and lots of hard work. She dedicated herself to school and community service and service to the youth group in her church. She researched scholarship possibilities and spent hours filling out applications with the hope that scholarships could be a part of the solution.

At the Senior Awards Assembly in May of 2007, Jessica was awarded the

\$1500, Cameron Clay Memorial Scholarship and a \$2000 Kiwanis Scholarship. Even though Jessica received a tuition waiver scholarship upon enrolling as a full-time student at Southwestern Oregon Community College (based on her 4.00 GPA) she continued to work two different part-time jobs, saving her money for college after SOCC. In addition to her part-time jobs and full class load, Jessica spent many hours as a dedicated volunteer working with a youth group in her church.

After completing her Associate of Science/Oregon Transfer in Business at SOCC (and maintaining her status on the Honor Roll) Jessica was awarded a \$1000 PEO Scholarship. Jessica is currently enrolled in the School of Business at Oregon State University and is enjoying every day of her col-

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Voc/Tech Spotlight: Nico Mauricci

MHS Endowed Scholarships

- 5 T's Scholarship
- Albaugh Family
- Bay Area Sportsman's Assoc.
- Brian Baldock Memorial
- Mark Beckham Memorial
- John & Dottie Bergen Memorial
- Del Brunell Memorial
- John Burles Memorial
- Cameron Clay House
- Cameron Clay Memorial
- Lew Davies Memorial
- Ray Davis Memorial
- Fitzwalter Family
- Jason Forrester Memorial
- Isabell Galloway Memorial
- The Gehlert Family
- Chet Haliski Memorial
- Dick Hanen Golf
- Joycolynn & Walter Joslin Trust
- Bette Knox-Hanen Nursing
- Eleanor & Harold Knutson Memorial
- Warren & Adaline Kolen Memorial
- Dee Littrell-Lawrence Dance/Theater Arts
- Maxine & Lyle McGuire Memorial
- Marshfield Pirate Shop
- MHS Class of 1954
- William McLean Memorial
- Messerle Family
- Stan and Rose Olberg Memorial
- Walter Paczesniak Memorial
- Robert Perrin
- Albert Powers Family
- Albert L. Pranatis Memorial
- Steve Prefontaine Memorial
- Dorothy Irene Probst Memorial
- Guy Shellenbarger Memorial
- Jennielind Smith Memorial
- Stan Solomon Memorial
- Paul Starkey Memorial
- Pete Susick Memorial
- Jeff Tofflemire Memorial
- Buck & Ruby Williams Memorial

Endowed Voc/Tech Scholarships

- Carlborn Family
- Coos Bay Lions Club
- Dashney Family
- Johansen Family
- John and Ginger Niemeyer
- Page Family
- James Rippey
- Dean & Dixie Sheldon
- F. Willis Smith
- Stamper Family

One of the most rewarding aspects of being associated with the MHS Scholarship program is seeing the transformation of young people who find their passion. Case in point: Nico Mauricci, 2008 MHS graduate and recipient of the \$500 CB Lions Club Voc/Tech Scholarship and the \$2500 Maybelle Clark Macdonald Voc/Tech Scholarship.

During the first 3 years at MHS, Nico had no clear goals and as a result,



Nico is a 2nd Yr SOCC Fire Science Student and Fireman Intern at Charleston Fire Department. September, 2009

thrilled to accept the Voc/Tech scholarships at the Senior Awards Assembly in May of 2008, graduated with his class in June, and spent another summer on the wildfire crew at CFPA before enrolling at SOCC in the fall. Nico quickly became a student intern at the Charleston Fire Department and as a certified EMT and volunteer, he was assigned to the headquarters station on 48/96 hour rotation. Nico is currently one of nine student interns with the Department and responds to fire and emergency services in the area. Calls include structural & wildland interface firefighting, medical response, hazardous materials response, special rescues such as high angle/ low angle and vehicle extrications.

grades, credits and attendance suffered. Going into his senior year, Nico enrolled in the credit recovery program at CE2, an alternative education program through the CB School District and MHS. During his summer job with the Coos Forest Protective Association on the wildfire crew, Nico began to develop a vision of what he would choose as a career. With pun intended, Nico had discovered his "burning passion", completed his credit recovery and began to take his education seriously.

Working with his counselor, Nico was encouraged to apply for the MHS Voc/Tech Scholarship to enroll in the Fire Science Program at Southwestern Oregon Community College. He was

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The Associate of Applied Science in Fire Science Technology program at SOCC includes the necessary general education and specialized fire and emergency medical services courses to prepare students for careers at entry-level positions within the fire service. In addition to earning his certification as an EMT, Nico has received A's and B's in his coursework and after completing the Fire Science Technology program, Nico plans to complete the recently established Paramedic Associate Degree program at SOCC. After briefly considering moving to the Willamette Valley to begin his full-time career, Nico now feels that the Coos Bay area is his home and does not plan to leave the area after completing his degree programs at SOCC. We are very proud of Nico and his accomplishments so far, and are grateful to have had the opportunity to be a part of his education/training.

- Nationwide, the average cost to attend a public school increased 47% between 2000 and 2007.
- Average total cost for a student at Oregon's public universities for a single year - \$18,542
- In Oregon, student fees can now add as much as 40% to the cost of tuition
- Books and supplies added another \$1,330
- In 2008-09, 2/3's of college graduates (Bachelor's Degree) had debt
- Of that group the average debt was \$23,186
- The total amount borrowed by students and received by colleges grew by 25% over the previous year



From MHS Graduate to MHS Coach

The Legacy Continues – Richard “Mac” McIntosh (1971)

Mac graduated from MHS in 1971. While at MHS Mac was a state hurdle champion, co-valedictorian and he also participated in football and basketball. In addition, Mac was editor of the Ma-Hi times, a member of The Order of the M and National Honor Society. Upon graduation, Mac received an appointment to the Air Force Academy and his high school sweetheart, Linnea Wright (1971) attended Oregon State University. They maintained a long distance relationship throughout college and eventually married after they both graduated from college. Mac attributes their ability to maintain the relationship to Coach Pete Susick's lesson of “never quitting”. They have two children, Rachael and Rex, and one granddaughter.



Mac had a distinguished 30-year career in the Air Force. He was a fighter pilot for 19 years, then a staff officer in command positions at the Pentagon. Mac spent his final three years in the Air Force as an ROTC Commander at USC, UCLA and Loyola Marymount University. Mac retired with the rank of Colonel.

The last three years of Mac's military career were particularly important to him. Instructing ROTC cadets, helping them attain success, made him realize how important those mentoring relationships were to him. When Mac retired to the Bay Area he decided he wanted to continue to help young people gain success. Mac also wanted to

pass on to others the legacy of MHS athletics that he felt so privileged to have been a part of and that had contributed to the success he had in his life.

The MHS legacy, to Mac, means competing with class, having integrity and adding to the legacy. It means being knowledgeable of the accomplishments and efforts of those who have preceded them at MHS. Mac believes that teaching character is an essential part of coaching.

Mac started as an assistant track coach under MHS Athletic Hall of Fame member and state champion track coach, Fran Worthen (Auer, 1972). When Fran retired in 2008, Mac became head track coach. As head coach, Mac was immediately successful, guiding the MHS boys team to their first state track & field championship.

Mac's success can be partially attributed to the legacy of MHS track and field excellence that Coach Worthen passed on to him. Mac's success is also attributable to his knowledge and innovative coaching methods.

Mac incorporates educating his athletes about MHS Athletic Hall of Fame athletes in to his practices. Mac employs cutting edge athletic training methods. He also is innovative in attracting athletes to track; he became a freshman football coach, in part, to explain the benefits of competing in track & field.

Coaching is a family affair. Linnea provides hospitality for visiting coaches and helpers at home track meets as well as running the concessions stand.

Mac and Linnea are happy to be part of the MHS and the Bay Area Community. Mac truly enjoys his work with MHS students.

MHS is fortunate to have a person of Mac's expertise, creativity and energy helping its students to learn how to achieve success; success that will go well beyond athletic competition. The legacy continues.

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... Criger Spotlight

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lege experience. She lives in an apartment near campus and with a bicycle as her principal means of transportation, she watches her budget closely. Jessica plans a career as an event/wedding planner and long range plans involve a non-profit organization to help young people.

While scholarships and part-time employment will not keep Jessica from incurring the inevitable student loans, Jessica is very thankful for the scholarship assistance that she has received and is an outstanding role model for other students who are faced with similar financial challenges. Jeff and Cindy Criger deserve to be very proud of their daughter.



Shellenbarger/Holland Paddle Comes To A Good "End"

The relationship between the 2 main characters in this story begins sometime during the 1961-62 school year, in the office of MHS Principal Guy Shellenbarger. There, senior Mike Holland finds himself on the receiving end of Mr. Shellenbarger's paddle. With the pain still burning in the seat of his pants, Mike signed the



Guy Shellenbarger



Mike Holland



Don Jenkins

Fast forward to August, 2005, at the MHS Hall of Fame Induction Dinner/Auction, at The Boys and Girls Club in Coos Bay. Among the items donated for auction, was the "Legendary Guy Shellenbarger Paddle". Upon his departure to college in the fall of 1962, Mike's parents had packed the paddle into a box, along with other items

left in his bedroom. When they re-discovered it years later, they decided to donate it to the Hall of Fame Auction. Don Jenkins, 1962 graduate and classmate of Mike's, was the successful bidder for the paddle. Don was determined to claim ownership and to keep Mike's memory alive within the class and guarantee this story its proper place in MHS folklore. At the 45th reunion of the Class of 1962, Don asked his classmates to contribute to the Guy Shellenbarger Memorial Scholarship in Mike's memory. The generous contributions of Mike's classmates resulted in over \$8000 in donations, which helped to put the total over the \$12,500 minimum, needed to endow the Guy Shellenbarger Memorial Scholarship.

on June 14, 1994 at the age of 86. Mike Holland was an athlete at Marshfield, playing football and basketball for 4 years and served as a member of the Order of the 'M'. He had a great sense of humor and was a popular student who enjoyed many friends. After graduation, Mike attended college in Idaho for 2 years and became a log scaler for Columbia River Log Scaling and Grading in the Portland area. Mike married, raised 2 boys and enjoyed outdoor recreation, coaching Little League and Pop Warner Football. An avid skier, Mike spent a lot of time in the winter and spring on the slopes and served as a member of the Mt Hood Ski Patrol. Mike died January 23, 1999, after a short battle with brain cancer.

Guy Shellenbarger was an outgoing and humorous man with an exceptional zest for living. He served for over twenty years as a teacher and principal at Marshfield Junior High and Marshfield Senior High principal from 1947 through 1965. He moved to Eugene in 1965, where he became a full time professor in the College of Education at the University of Oregon. He was much respected by both his professional colleagues and members of the community. Guy Shellenbarger passed away

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Need A Reason To Give?

People give for a variety of reasons ranging from deeply personal to highly practical. The result also may range from a tax deduction to a sense of deep satisfaction.

When establishing a Marshfield High School scholarship fund, donors may select the criteria for awarding the scholarship. Typical criteria are academic performance, financial need, career choice, family background, a particular talent and/or community service. Contributions of any amount may be made to an established, but not yet endowed scholarship fund. Or, donors may wish to establish a new scholarship endowment in honor of a person, family or organization of their choice. The minimum investment

to create an endowed scholarship is \$12,500, which typically yields a \$500 scholarship each year. The scholarship payout for each endowed scholarship increases proportionally with the principal. Scholarship endowments last in perpetuity, so the act of establishing an endowment, whether we're alive or deceased, helps us continue a particular cause or interest after we're gone.

The following are common ways to plan for the future, make a gift to, and leave a legacy of support to the Marshfield High School Scholarship Program:

- ◆ GIFTS OF CASH
- ◆ REAL ESTATE, PRIVATE FOUNDATION TRANSFERS
- ◆ APPRECIATED SECURITIES

- ◆ DEFERRED GIFTS THROUGH A WILL
- ◆ RETIREMENT PLAN ASSETS
- ◆ LIFE INSURANCE POLICY
- ◆ LIVING TRUST
- ◆ CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST

These options may offer valuable income tax advantages. For legal advice, please consult an attorney or a planned giving professional. For further information go to the OCF website; www.ocfl.org.

People living on the south coast can contact Barbara Bauder, OCF's South Coast Development Representative at 541-269-9650, 915 S. First Street, Coos Bay, OR, 97420, or Email bbauder@oregoncf.org.



Newly Endowed Dance/Theater Arts Scholarship

We are proud to announce the latest addition to our list of endowed scholarships: The Dee Littrell-Lawrence Dance/Theater Arts Scholarship.

Dee Littrell-Lawrence is synonymous with dance in our community. Dee has had a lifetime of dance instruction and teaching and is still VERY active at . . . well . . . without revealing her actual age, we can say



Dee Littrell-Lawrence

that she will be 86 on her next birthday! During her regular workouts at the local fitness club, she is at the front of the class and sets the pace, leaving many of the MUCH younger participants gasping for air and begging for a break!

Dee's career at MHS began in 1969, teaching PE, Dance and coaching as competitive flag teams and drill teams were being organized around the state. For 15 years prior to coming to MHS, Dee taught dance at her private studio. Flag teams performed at the football halftimes and drill teams performed at basketball games and Dee's cheer teams were on the sidelines for every home game. The budget for outfits and equipment came from car washes, rummage sales and spaghetti feeds.

Dance (called drill teams then) teams were not an OSAA sanctioned activity, but in the early 1970's, MHS teams began to attend competitions that were beginning to be organized around the state. In 1982, MHS hosted a 30 team statewide dance team competition and the MHS "Pirate Prancers" claimed second place in the small team division. The following year the Pirate Flag Team brought home the 1st place trophy at the OSU Band Day Competition.

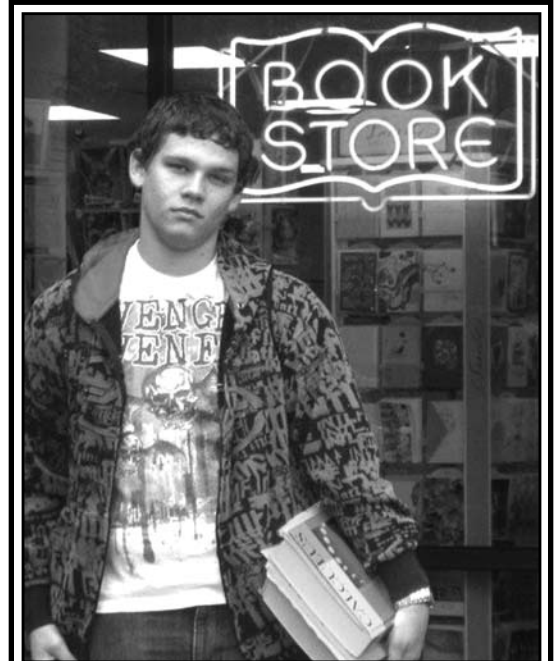
In 1984 the MHS Dance Team

raised \$10,000 to attend the dance competition at the New Orleans World's Fair, along with 70 other teams from all around the nation, placing 4th in their division of 25 teams. They were very proud that they were the only team to

use Dixieland Jazz as their music, recorded especially for the event by Frosty West's Dixieland Band. It was an unforgettable experience for all.

During her tenure at MHS, Dee established an excellent dance program that has continued to flourish today, regularly finishing among the top five teams in the state at the state championships. Dee laid the foundation for the ongoing success of dance at MHS and in our community. She retired from teaching and coaching in 1986, but has continued to maintain an active lifestyle that includes teaching dance, participation in theater productions, hiking (just a couple of years ago, Dee hiked the 8 mile trail to the bottom of the Grand Canyon!) and traveling with husband, John. She receives cards, pictures and announcements from former Dance Team members and enjoys keeping in touch with them.

For her 80th birthday, granddaughter Leanne Littrell-DeLorenzo, started funding for an annual Dee Littrell-Lawrence Dance Scholarship, and this year Dee chose to fully fund the endowment which will award an annual \$500 scholarship to an MHS graduate who plans a major in dance/theater arts/business or education. Congratulations Dee!



Textbook Prices Soar Out of Sight....

Ben Fellows, 2009 MHS scholarship recipient, ponders the bill for his recent book purchase at SOCC. 4 books: calculus, psychology, literature and Western Civilization = \$723.00. Ouch!

2009 Awards By the Numbers

- 118** Total number of scholarships awarded*
- 52** Total number of endowed scholarships
- 18** Total number of pass-through donors (make annual contribution)
- \$161,061** Total of local scholarships awarded

2009 Scholarship Recipient Plans

- 4-year college - 36
- CC and Voc/Tech - 37

Multi-Year Scholarships

- 4-year scholarships - 9
- 2-year scholarships - 7

(we hope to increase the number of multi-year scholarships in the future)

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