



MARSHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY AND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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MHS STATE OF THE FUND REPORT



Contributions to the MHS Community and Memorial Scholarship Fund were at an all time high in 2007. Contributions from the estates of **Walter and Joycolynn Joslin, Albert L. Pranatis, and Stan and Rose Olberg**, totaled \$1,177,000.00, and contributions through October 31, 2007, from 191 individual donors totaled \$145,894.00. The principal of the Marshfield High School Community & Memorial Scholarship Fund at the Oregon Community Foundation now totals more than \$2.25 million.

Nine new scholarships have been endowed since January, 2007, and the scholarship endowments now total 44. See page 2, for a complete list of endowed scholarships.

Included in the \$2.25 million are endowments within the MHS Vocational/Technical Scholarship Fund. The Voc/Tech Fund was initiated 3 years ago by Chuck Carlbom, MHS class of '52, and contributions to this fund now total more than \$390,000. Five of the nine new endowments this year are in the Voc/Tech area.

The Marshfield High School Community and Memorial Scholarship Selection Committee administers 22 pass-through scholarships as well as those within the Community and Memorial Scholarship Fund. Roughly one-third of Marshfield's Class of 2007 applied for scholarships and ninety-seven scholarships were awarded to more than 80 recipients for a total of \$87,294.00.



The Jeff Tofflemire Memorial Scholarship—A Letter from Jeff's Parents

Our son Jeff was a sophomore at MHS in April, 1973 when he received a critical head injury as the result of a terrible accident. Many months later, he recovered to the point where he could begin home tutoring. MHS Principal, Elmer Johnson started coming to our home in the fall of 1975, and he brought Jeff up far enough that he could go back to school in 1976.

The students were wonderful to Jeff, walking him from class to class while he struggled to keep his balance with the help of his "security blanket," his cane. The teachers as well were great with him. When he graduated in 1977, two years after his original class, he walked across the stage with pride, to a standing ovation from his fellow students.

So, you see, MHS has a special place in our family. Graduating in spite of his handicap, was Jeff's proudest moment. It is only fitting that we started a scholarship in his name. It is a great way to honor his memory and help another student the way he was helped. He would be so pleased that we have the scholarship. I can just hear him saying, "I'm so happy"!

Gail and Ross Tofflemire

An average low-income family is able to contribute \$1,000 per year toward college costs. Annual costs of attending an Oregon college range from \$11,000 to over \$40,000.



New Account Manager for MHS Scholarship Program

We are pleased to introduce **Candace McGowne**, as the MHS Scholarship Program Account Manager. Since its inception in 1990, the Marshfield High School Community and Memorial Scholarship Fund has grown to over \$2 million in contributions. The demands of processing and tracking contributions have grown proportionally. The decision to move the office from the Marshfield campus to the district office with Candace managing the accounting chores, was made to allow Jennifer Bunnell more time to focus on her duties as ASPIRE and GEAR UP coordinator, student council advisor and scholarship coordinator. Jennifer will continue to coordinate the application process with graduating seniors and to work with the Scholarship Selection Committee.

Candace, a Marshfield graduate, Class of 1991, has been employed in the district payroll office for 10 years. She has experience with spreadsheet and database programs and is currently enrolled in a Bachelors of

Business Administration program at Southwestern Oregon Community College University Center. Candace looks forward to getting to know and work with MHS Community and Memorial Scholarship donors.

The move also comes with new contact information. Correspondence and donations should be directed to:

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Susan Nelson, 2006 Voc/Tech Recipient, Expresses her Appreciation to the MHS Scholarship Committee

Dear Scholarship Committee,

Thank you very much for selecting me to receive a MHS Voc/Tech Grad Scholarship. I sincerely appreciate it.!

This year has already been very exciting. I live in Los Angeles and attend the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising (FIDM) majoring in fashion design. I have taken a variety of classes including pattern drafting and draping, textiles, sketching, industrial sewing, and was privileged to attend a course taught by Nick Verreos of the television program, Project Runway. FIDM encourages students to also learn the retail part of the fashion industry and has an extensive job fair each fall in which major companies recruit. Through the job fair, I began working at a yoga specialty shop, Lululemon, in October and am learning merchandising and management skills

in addition to my classroom lessons.

The focus of the second year at FIDM will be the creation of my own fashion collection as well as develop the marketing business plan to accompany the designs. I have not made any final decisions on what direction I will go after completion of my associates' degree in June 2008. I may continue my education or may decide to begin working full time in the fashion industry, hopefully relocating to the Northwest or perhaps in an international setting.

Whatever I decide, I know that I would like to include travel in my plans as I have been to Norway, Germany, and Egypt since graduating in June 2006 and I really enjoy learning about other cultures.

Again, thank you very much for the scholarship.

*Sincerely,
Susan Nelson*



- ◆ The annual cost of attendance at the University of Oregon is \$17,442.
- ◆ In 2006, the price of attending a 4-year public college rose 6.6%, and rose 4.2% for public 2-year colleges.



Make your contribution to the future.

() Enclosed is my contribution.

() I would like a committee member to contact me.

Please check donation amount: \$25 ____ \$50 ____ \$100 ____ \$250 ____ \$500 ____
\$1000 ____ Other _____ (endowment: \$12,500 or greater)

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Once a Pirate, Always a Pirate!

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William McLean Memorial Scholarship



William T. "Doc" McLean taught social studies at Marshfield High School from the late 1940's until his retirement nearly four decades later. Over that period of time he taught Problems of Democracy and other social studies courses to thousands of Marshfield seniors. Doc McLean also served as an advisor to a number of student clubs, reserving a particular place in his heart for the Hi-Y Club. He spent many Friday nights in the concession stand at Marshfield football games, working alongside his Hi-Y Club members to raise funds for the club's annual trip to the Capitol in Salem. He also was a long time advisor to the Marshfield Student Council.

A scholarship fund in memory of William McLean was established in 1991 and was among the first of Marshfield's scholarships to be endowed. The William McLean Memorial scholarship is awarded to a deserving student pursuing a bachelor's degree program at a 4-year college or university and is renewable for each of the student's four years.

Mrs. McLean told us during a recent phone conversation that it means a great deal to her that a scholarship given in her husband's name helps a young person to have the opportunity to attend college. She also stressed the importance of supporting students throughout their time in college. "A young person who has the resources to start college shouldn't have to worry about how to keep going to school after their freshman year," she told us. Finally, Mrs. McLean voiced her sincere approval regarding the committee's selection for this year's recipient of the McLean Memorial Scholarship, Megan Childs (see accompanying story). "She is a good one," enthused Mrs. McLean.

William McLean Memorial Scholarship Recipient: Megan Childs

The 2007 recipient of the William McLean Memorial Scholarship is Megan Childs. She is indeed, as Mrs. McLean has said, "a good one." Megan graduated last June with an outstanding academic record and an impressive list of extracurricular activities. Megan is currently attending Whitworth University in Spokane, Washington and is, so we learn from her mother Dana, enjoying Whitworth very much.

Megan entered Whitworth with the intent of majoring in biology. She is, however, now actively exploring the option of graduating with a bachelor's degree in nursing. Thorough young lady that she is, Megan has already met with Whitworth's nursing supervisor to discuss their nursing program and has been in contact with the

University Center to more fully investigate this career option.

This year Megan is taking animal biology/cell biology as well as college chemistry, theology and a freshman core class. Megan told her mother that she felt well prepared for college level work by Marshfield High School. Her A in animal biology is one of only three A's in the class.

Megan is also building on her musical experiences at Marshfield. Megan auditioned for—and earned—a second alto position in Whitworth's prestigious choir. The audition piece was extremely challenging, we are told, and Megan believes that her years with Marshfield's Concert Choir were very helpful in her being accepted into Whitworth's choir as a freshman.

MHS Endowed Scholarships

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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
Warren & Adaline Kolen Memorial
Marshfield Pirate Shop
MHS Class of 1954
William McLean Memorial
Everett Messerle Memorial
Stan and Rose Olberg Memorial
Walter Paczesniak Memorial
Robert Perrin
Albert Power Family
Albert L. Pranatis Memorial
Dorothy Irene Probst Memorial
Paul Starkey Memorial
Pete Susick Memorial
Jeff Tofflemire Memorial
Buck & Ruby Williams Memorial

Endowed Voc/Tech Scholarships

Carlbom Family
Coos Bay Lions Club
Dashney Family
Johansen Family
John and Ginger Niemeyer
Page Family
James Rippey
Dean & Dixie Sheldon
Willis Smith
Tom and Joan Stamper

- ◆ Over 75% of low-income college students have unmet financial needs. These range from \$4,000 to \$9,300 per year.
- ◆ College undergraduates borrowed \$14.5 billion in private loans in 2006.
- ◆ The annual cost of attendance at Willamette University is \$41,498.