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Scholarship Appreciation & Recognition Celebration

March 9, 2018

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*A Western
Welcome!*

Years ago, I was a volunteer for a mentor program for at-risk youth. I was paired with Lisa, a kind and smart high school student. Her personal challenges were very different than anything that I'd experienced, and I soon found that I was learning more than I was teaching. In many ways, Lisa was a typical 15 year-old who liked shopping, loved to eat at McDonald's and laughed easily. There were differences, too. She was also the mother to a 2 year-old boy. While she never seemed to see this as a burden, it was clearly the reason she struggled in school.

After spending time with Lisa, I quickly realized that my job was to simply be there for her and let her know that someone believed she could do it. Years later, she told me how much she appreciated my "dreaming" with her. She said that she was often unsure about finishing high school. But, she knew that as long as we kept meeting each week, there must be a way. Lisa found that way on her own. While my experiences could add very little by way of advice, she viewed my presence in her life as a gift that somehow gave her courage. I've always felt grateful for Lisa's perspective and for her willingness to believe in me as much as I believed in her.

Tonight, as our generous scholarship donors come together with our scholarship recipients, my hope is that you get to know each other. Our WNC scholars are an impressive group. Many have challenges similar to Lisa's, struggling to find balance in their busy lives between family, work and school. Their scholarships not only provide needed funding, but the knowledge that someone believes in their future. My hope is that you get to spend a little time "dreaming" about what's possible. My hope is that tonight you begin to see the amazing things that happen when we believe in each other.

Western Nevada College is a special place with exceptional students, faculty and donors. Thank you for celebrating with us!

We are Western!



Niki Gladys

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Executive Director, WNC Foundation

Welcome

Carol McIntosh, WNC Foundation Chair

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President's Welcome

Mark Ghan, WNC Acting President

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Scholarship Donor Remarks

Stephanie Swart

Marilee Swirczek Memorial Scholarship

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Keynote Speaker

Isabelle Rodriguez Wilson

Executive Director, Nevada Women's Fund

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Scholarship Recipient Remarks

Maria Teresa Fernandez

German Fernandez

Ericka Munoz

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Closing Remarks

Sean Davison

Secretary/Treasurer, WNC Foundation

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Carson-Reno Line Dancers

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Keynote Speaker

Isabelle Rodriguez Wilson



Isabelle Rodriguez Wilson has enjoyed a fascinating career working with international dignitaries, members of Congress, high-level federal and state government officials, corporate and special interest groups, as well as celebrities. She started her career in our nation's capital as a legislative analyst developing and implementing marketing and advocacy strategies to lobby the legislative and executive branches of government. She then served the White House as Senior Adviser to the President of the United States. In this role she directed the elaborate details associated with domestic and international event activities, travel, protocol and media for President Bill Clinton and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Isabelle has more than 30 years of experience and expertise in management and administration, public affairs, public relations, marketing, media strategies and major event planning for corporations and national non-profit organizations. She is the executive director for the Nevada Women's Fund, an organization that supports women and families in need. Prior to joining the Fund in 2012, she served as executive director of the Boys & Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe.

Having worked her way through many obstacles on her own path to success, Isabelle is a source of inspiration and encouragement. She believes strongly in the value of education and in the concept that success starts in your own imagination.

Start Here, Go Anywhere:

Why I Give to Western Nevada College

Congratulations to each of you, our scholarship recipients! Thank you to our incredible donors for making scholarships a possibility for these incredible students. An education is one of life's greatest gifts.

My parents had a great love of learning and knowledge for the benefit of personal growth and development. They shared this passion with my brother and me. Through them, we learned that with an education, we had limitless opportunities. We were encouraged to never stop learning. We always knew that attending college was available to us and we would be supported as we worked toward our degrees.

I was an adult, and raising my own child, before I understood that not all families believe higher education is possible for them. I still have trouble accepting this realization. For this reason, I'm passionate about WNC. ***Our community is fortunate that through WNC, higher education becomes available to everyone.***

WNC provides an affordable education, outstanding faculty and relevant degree programs, giving students real opportunities to learn skills necessary to work at companies such as Click Bond, Panasonic, Carson Tahoe Hospital and more. We have a shortage of construction workers to build residential and commercial real estate properties in our area. We have a growing need for nurses in our community. WNC is responsible for developing our workforce for these industries, and more. We all thrive when we have an



educated workforce earning good wages and benefits.

It often occurs to me that WNC is the best-kept secret in northern Nevada. It's up to all of us to share this secret and promote education in our community! Please encourage your coworkers and friends to tour WNC. Contact a board member or the Foundation Office at 445-3240 to set up a

time to learn about all of the ways our community succeeds when a student takes the first step to register for classes at WNC.

WNC's tagline is, "Start Here, Go Anywhere" and I believe this is so true! As I enter my first year as chair of the WNC Foundation board, I hope you will join me in supporting student success, connecting our community to WNC and sharing the goals of learning and personal growth first ignited in me by my amazing parents.

Carol McIntosh

Private banker with Wells Fargo
Chair of the WNC Foundation Board

What inspires you to give to WNC?

WNC scholarship donors choose to give for various reasons, and everyone's story is unique. We'd love to hear your story and learn why you've made the choice to make a difference for our students. Your story could be featured in next year's Scholarship Celebration program.

Niki Gladys
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Joeli Paschall
Karla Scott

American Legion Auxiliary #4 Post 9/11/01 Veteran Scholarship

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Chelia Ramos
Ericka Munoz
Alondra Munoz
Luis Velasquez
Tania Covarrubias

Andy Butti Scholarship

Shawn Salazar
Matthew Romero
Kenny Stroner
Theodore Steele

Anne G. Berlin Memorial Scholarship

Salisha Odum

Anne M. Phillips Memorial Scholarship

Alyssa Buchanan

Annie Johnson Elliott Scholarship

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Application Support & Development Scholarship

Mark Grover

Associated Students of Western Nevada Carson Campus Scholarship

Carly Talia
David Booth
David Sizemore
Anna Graham

Associated Students of Western Nevada Fallon Campus Scholarship

Devyn Frederick
Precious Achuff

Associated Students of Western Nevada DACA Student Support

Liliana Arroyo-Ramirez

Association of Latin American Students Scholarship

Adriana Cota
Noemi Ortiz

Ballardini Single Parent Scholarship

Amanda Bennett

Bessie C. Gilmer Scholarship

Anna Graham
Eileen Lavelle
Melissa Kulla
Elizabeth Roman Lopez



WNC's New Biophysical Science Labs

"Our community's ability to prepare students for successful careers in science and health care fields dramatically improves, thanks to the William N. Pennington Foundation gift. This exciting project will yield a significant return for both the college and the community. As STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) classes continue to increase in importance, Western Nevada College will be able to provide the high-quality learning environment our students and our community deserve."

Niki Gladys, Executive Director, WNC Foundation

Thanks to a \$1.45 million project funded by the William N. Pennington Foundation, the new Biophysical Science Laboratory at WNC provides state-of-the-art technology, features a unique theatre-in-the-round learning environment and serves more students.

New Scholarship Encourages Youth to Pursue Careers in Education

A new scholarship through the Western Nevada College Foundation encourages students to pursue careers in education. The Dr. Eugene Paslov Memorial Scholarship will be awarded annually to two students who plan to dedicate their careers to education.

"This scholarship has been created to not only honor Eugene, but to honor his passion for education," said Susan Paslov, Gene's wife of 50 years. Dr. Paslov dedicated his life to transforming children's lives through education. After serving in the Air Force during the Korean War, he attended El Camino Community College and California State University, Long Beach. He received his doctorate from Colombia Teachers College in 1972. His passion for education guided him through positions as a high school teacher, Michigan assistant superintendent for schools, Nevada state superintendent of schools and later as president of Harcourt Educational Measurement.

Although he officially retired in 1994, Dr. Paslov continued to pursue his passion as an education consultant.

"Gene would love knowing that, through these scholarships, his legacy will continue to enhance student success," Susan Paslov said.

Each year, the Dr. Eugene Paslov Memorial Scholarship will award two students \$1,500 each to be used toward their educational costs.



Susan & Eugene Paslov



Bessie L. Miller Memorial Scholarship

Precious Achuff

Bill LaFollette Veterans Memorial Scholarship

Shawn Salazar

Bonnie Parnell Scholarship for Community and Political Activism

Yasmine Gallegos

Carson City Emblem Club No. 507 Scholarship

Amanda Pace

Carson City Natives & Newcomers Club Nursing Scholarship

Anna Craig

Carson Nugget "Always Lost" Veterans Scholarship

Tyson Curran

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Kristen Davis Lange

Kaelin Mejia

Daron Overturn

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Shawn Salazar

Kenny Stroner

Theodore Steele

Cherrice Dotson Scholarship for Single Moms

Amanda Bennett

Daughters of the American Revolution John C. Fremont Chapter Scholarship

Salisha Odum

Davison Family Scholarship

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Jesse Gonzalez
Robert Tranquillo
Brian Cuadros

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Mikayla Lane
Bryan Remick
Devyn Frederick
Harvey Arauz
Eliezer Garnica
Iain Webb
Richie Leysa
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Andres Mayoral
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Eaglemark Savings Bank Scholarship
German Fernandez
Anthony Pastones
Noah Shek
Taura Casis

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Bill LaFollette Veterans Memorial Scholarship

Bill LaFollette was a gregarious man with a great sense of himself. His daughter, Darla Dodge, remembers his warm smile, love for new experiences and his determination to create a better life for her and her three siblings.

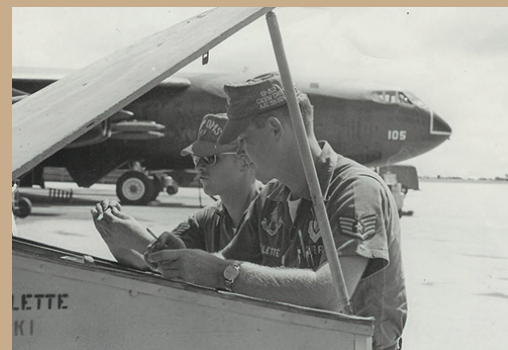


LaFollette was born in 1945 and grew up in Southern California. He joined the Air Force during the Vietnam War, serving 10 years as a crew chief captain and later going on to serve in the Army Reserves as a chief warrant officer 3 for almost 20 years. His military experience led him to become a police officer in the early 1970s in Carson City and Henderson, Nevada.

Like many WNC students, LaFollette was a non-traditional student, putting himself through college while supporting his family as a single parent. At the age of 38, he earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. It was this commitment to education that led Darla Dodge to consider starting a scholarship named for her father.

Sharing her father's intensity, Dodge also has an impressive story. Developing in her career at Western Nevada College over the past 17 years, Dodge worked her way up through positions in the finance department of the college. She attained her M.B.A. in 2012 from Western Governors University and is now the Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services at WNC. "The college has been my home. Giving back to WNC and my community is important to me," said Dodge. *"Remembering my Dad through this scholarship is my way of appreciating what he did for us as a family."*

The Bill LaFollette Memorial Scholarship has helped a veteran student each year for the past six years. Dodge increased the scholarship last year to include support for two veteran students annually. "By awarding me the Bill LaFollette Memorial Scholarship, I am able to focus on what is important," said Shawn Salazaar, a Machine Tool Technology student and Marine Corps veteran.



Professor Emeritus

Marilee Swirczek

November 23, 1947- July 17, 2016

It was a dark and stormy day for me when Marilee Swirczek died. There, Marilee, I used it. I am sure she is chuckling in heaven because I just wrote that. Over the countless discussions we had over the years, "It was a dark and stormy night," became our private joke. It is the traditional teaching line of how not to start a creative writing story. Marilee was a teacher and writer, and that line has become infamous amongst writers. When things got down or tense, one of us usually murmured it to the other. Marilee was a lot of other things as well. Mother, wife, daughter, sister, friend, colleague and I could go on. She was also my lifeguard, for she saved my life.

In March of 1999, I had a heart attack. The doctors told me it was stress, for I had a wife who was dying, and I couldn't stop it. My job was not helping, so I needed to do something, anything. I didn't have a clue, so on a whim I signed up for Intro to Language & Literary Expression at WNC. On the first night, I walked in and sat down with 24 women and me. Marilee walked in, surveyed the class, walked over to me and smiled that warm, embracing smile of hers and asked, "Well, how is our sacrificial male lamb?" The class roared, and I laughed.

After turning in our first writing assignment, she asked me to stay after class when she handed them back. She asked me to tell her a little about myself and why I was in the class. I did, and afterwards, she smiled and told me I needed to come to Lone Mountain Writers (LMW). She said I could write and probably had a story wrapped up inside that was trying to come out. I did go to the next LMW meeting and many more after that. I signed up the next semester for her creative writing class and met an amazing group of people, for Marilee had a cult following.



She was our very own Pied Piper. We became Marilee's Merry Band of Writers. Her band of devotees numbered in the dozens. We signed up for her creative writing class every semester. I am proud to say today that I hold the record – 19 straight semesters. Her classes were so dynamic that the classroom chairs should have had seatbelts. I have attended classes at colleges and universities across the country and internationally. I have never had a feeling of learning and the transfer of knowledge in any of them that rivaled creative writing at WNC. She taught me the meaning of collegial.

Marilee was a gifted writer and teacher, but she was even more gifted as a human being. Marilee saw something in me that I could not see in myself. What was more impressive is that she helped me see and find it. She set me up with a meeting with the Chair of the Communications and Fine Arts department, and the next thing I knew I was an adjunct instructor teaching remedial writing at WNC. I was not a unique situation. Marilee did that for many of us. My friend and fellow member of Marilee's Merry Band of Writers, Josh Galarza, probably said it best. *"I always thought of her as the kind who liked to collect misfit toys," Galarza said. "The more broken you were, the more she loved you."*

This amazing woman managed to pack so much life into her short time on earth. Prior to joining the faculty at WNC in 1989, she taught literature and writing at the University of Hawaii, Honolulu and California State University, Sacramento. During her tenure at WNC, she served for six years as English/Foreign Languages Chair and Lead Faculty for Communication & Fine Arts. She founded Lone Mountain Writers 1991, which embraces all of the Carson community and continues to flourish today.



Additionally, she was recognized as WNC Instructor of the Year in 1990-91; UCCSN Outstanding Faculty from 1995-98; Distinguished Nevadan in 2001; and Humanities Scholar, Nevada Humanities Committee for 2003. Somehow, she managed to find the time to be active in community affairs; she served on the Carson City Board of Supervisors (1987-89) and wrote an opinion column for the Nevada Appeal.

*Perhaps her most shining professional legacy was as project director for **Always Lost: A Meditation on War**, an arts/humanities exhibition that originated in her creative writing class in 2009, which received national acclaim, and was invited to Washington, D.C. by members of the U.S. Senate. Always Lost toured nationally from 2010 until 2016. The exhibition included written work by Marilee's creative writing students, the Lone Mountain Writers group and other Northern Nevada writers, veterans and their families. The project also featured the Wall of the Dead, individual photographs with names of the more than 6,500 U.S. military war casualties in Iraq and Afghanistan since Sept. 11, 2001. Tens of thousands of people viewed the exhibit, which for some became so touching that they left souvenirs of their military service not unlike those left at the National Vietnam Veterans Memorial. She was awarded a Medal of Honor in 2012 by the Daughters of the American Revolution for her contribution to the nation through her work on Always Lost.*

*I will never know why I was blessed to have Marilee in my life. Perhaps it is because both of us started life in Pennsylvania before we found Nevada. The day that I walked into her classroom started a wondrous journey, which for me, was a journey back to life. **She always used to tell us that we were all fellow travelers on the same path. Perhaps that is true, but for many of us who were privileged to know her, Marilee was the beacon lighting that path.***

By: Major Kevin Burns
WNC Veterans Resource Center, Coordinator



Marilee Swirczek Memorial Scholarship

My mom was an educator as long as I can remember, as are most moms. Teaching me the simple things, how to tie my shoes; to the more complicated things, how to recover from a broken heart. She taught me to be gracious, humble and kind. Words that encompass her beauty. She believed, not only, that everyone should have the opportunity to receive a higher education but that this should be someone's right, not a privilege. She worked hard to instill in her children that no matter what happened in our lives, if we received a college degree, it was something nobody could take away from us. She emphasized that the time or money spent receiving that education was never wasted.

The Marilee Swirczek Memorial Scholarship was started as a tribute to my mother. A tribute keeping her legacy of teaching, community and giving back alive. She was humbled by her students and their stories; feeling like she was just a vessel that allowed them to heal through their writing. She encouraged and pushed them to limits they didn't know were possible. She led them, by example, to be vulnerable and in this they would find freedom. When I heard student after student talk at her celebration of life that was held at WNC, I was moved to tears. I underestimated the impact that this marvelous woman had. It was then that I decided to start the scholarship, and with the help of my family we have vowed to continue it. My hope is that this scholarship helps someone not have to work so hard so that they have a little more time to spend with their family. That it takes a little pressure off so they can study a little harder. That it gives the inspiration needed to finish their degree.

Robert Frost says it wisely, "I am not a teacher, but an awakener."

By: Stephanie Swart



STUDENT SCHOLARS

Student Scholar German Fernandez

German was born in Mexico and moved to the United States when he was 12 years old. He started middle school with very little knowledge of the English language.

"As I was learning the language, I began to search for ways to be successful in the future," said German. "I gathered the courage to join the Jump Start College program that WNC offers during my senior year of high school." This innovative program helped German work toward his associate degree while still in high school.

In June of 2017, German graduated from Carson High School. He's now working toward finishing his Associate of Arts degree at WNC, and then intends to transfer to UNR to pursue a career in criminal justice. German Fernandez is the recipient of the Paul Laxalt Scholarship, the Warde H. Dixon Scholarship and the Eaglemark Savings Bank Scholarship.



Student Scholar Ericka Munoz

As a Carson City native, Ericka Munoz has been involved in Western Nevada College activities and events since she first enrolled in Fall 2016. Her favorite endeavors have been working to organize extended hours at the Student Center to accommodate students studying for final exams and involvement with the women's soccer program. The Amor y Compasion Scholarship allowed her to concentrate on academics in order to graduate this spring. She plans on attending the University of Nevada Las Vegas next fall to further her education in psychology; she aspires to work in a higher education institution.



Student Scholar Maria Teresa Fernandez

Maria Teresa Fernandez moved from Mexico to the United States when she was 12 years old. Thanks to an English as a Second Language program, she was able to quickly learn the language. Overcoming this and many other challenges, she graduated from Carson High School and is now pursuing an Associates of Business degree. She plans to transfer to UNR following graduation from WNC.

"My parents have always supported my education," says Maria Teresa. "I am grateful to have this financial help so they don't worry about those expenses. It gives me the benefit of having more time to concentrate on my education. Thanks to my scholarships, I got my own computer, which is a lifesaver! Now, I can do homework everywhere I go, my education is possible!" Maria Teresa is the recipient of the Robert and Joy Pease Memorial Scholarship and the Latino Cohort Award.



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eWomenNetwork Foundation Funds Scholarships for WNC Science & Technology Students

eWomenNetwork, an organization dedicated to the success of women entrepreneurs, has stepped up in support of WNC students. Through their foundation, they have provided a \$6,000 grant to the WNC Foundation. "We are delighted to make a contribution to the important work WNC is doing in the area," said Jenn Simpson, a member and program specialist for eWomenNetwork in Dallas, Texas.

With the donation, WNC's Foundation has funded two, one-year scholarships to female students studying in science and technology-based fields such as construction, manufacturing, physics, astronomy, automotive technology and welding. The scholarships cover books and tuition for one academic year.



"We are honored to be this year's grant recipient. Investments in WNC students help build a top quality college that is making positive differences in students' lives," said Niki Gladys, Executive Director for WNC Foundation.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Sandra Yancey, Founder eWomenNetwork; Niki Gladys, Executive Director WNC Foundation; Annie Goni-Stewart, Managing Director, Reno eWomenNetwork; Briana Dai, eWomenNetwork Millennial Advisory Council

NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

WNC Foundation is pleased to announce the addition of several new scholarships for the 2018/2019 academic year. These scholarships are generously donated by local businesses and community members with the goal of improving our community through education.

Abigail Keiko Touchton Scholarship Fund

Sandra Burnette, a WNC employee and grandmother to Abigail Keiko has created this new scholarship in support of students with Down Syndrome. Sandra donates a portion of her paycheck each month toward her scholarship and hopes to be able fully fund the scholarship starting in the fall of 2018.

City National Bank Scholarship

City National Bank has started a \$2,000 scholarship in support of a student studying business or accounting. The goal of the scholarship is to contribute to the community by helping create future business leaders.

Click Bond Pioneer Scholarship

Click Bond is a leader in the design and manufacturing of advanced fastening systems for the aerospace, defense and marine industries. Headquartered in Carson City since 1987, the organization recently started the Click Bond Pioneer Scholarship to encourage students to enter into manufacturing careers and pioneer advanced solutions to today's engineering challenges. One student will receive a \$2,500 scholarship to be applied toward the Mechatronics Level 1 certification.

Dorothy Ramsdell Memorial Veteran's Scholarship

Rick Vlach of the WNC Veteran's Resource Center started this new scholarship in memory of community member and long-time WNC Foundation Board Member, Dorothy Ramsdell. "Dorothy was so supportive of the veterans that she came to mind immediately when I decided to start a scholarship," said Rick. The scholarship supports two veteran students with a \$600 scholarship each.



Major Kevin Burns, Niki Gladys, Rick Vlach

New Frontier Veteran's Scholarship

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Anna Graham
Shawn Salazar

NV Energy Foundation Scholarship

Tarian Ricketts
Jacob Kinkel
Radford Birmingham
Shania Brown
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Amanda Pace
Precious Achuff

Paul Laxalt Scholarship

German Fernandez
Juan Juarez

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Reanna Stroup

Rafaela S. Leon & Annie B. Vicks Memorial Scholarship

Marcela Garcia-Baltier

Robert and Joy Pease Memorial Scholarship

Ciarra Begovich
Alexus McCurley
Daniela Munoz-Ferrer
Bryant Ramirez
Maria Fernandez

Robert Bush Memorial Scholarship

Karina Peterson

Roberta Ogden Trease Memorial Scholarship

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Sharon Linhart

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Danielle Osborn

Soroptimist International of Carson City Nursing Scholarship

Precious Achuff

Soroptimist International of Carson City Marge Patterson Memorial Scholarship

Joeli Paschall

Soroptimist International of Carson City Trade & Industry Scholarship

Reanna Stroup

Student Ability Scholarship

William Gilroy

Testolin Family Scholarship

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Karri Mouritsen

Thomas W. Waddell STEM Scholarship

Sarah Downes
AnnJi Hodorowicz

Unger Diamond Memorial Scholarship

Theodore Steele
Jarod Williams

United Methodist Men's Scholarship

Rebekah Henderson
Kaitlyn Barrett

Vet Success Scholarship

Anna Graham

Vivian Wilde-Mellow Memorial Scholarship

Kaelin Mejia
Brianna Millett
Amber Hohenstein
Danielle Osborn

Warde H. Dixon Memorial Scholarship

Kirk Hansen
Shania Brown
Rebekah Fillippini
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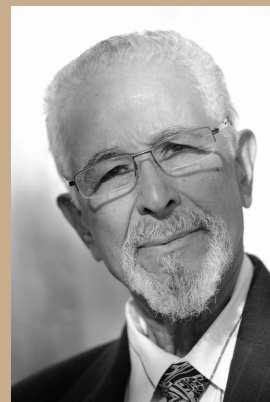
William G. Smith Memorial Scholarship

Kaelin Mejia

MORE NEW SCHOLARSHIPS

Eladio Leon Memorial Scholarship

Lilly Leon-Vicks is the adviser to the Associated Students of WNC's student government. She started this scholarship in memory of her father, Eladio Leon, who passed away August 31, 2017. "My father was a kind, lighthearted man," said Lilly. Eladio worked in manufacturing for Caterpillar for 39 years. It was this work that allowed Lilly to be the first in her family to earn a college degree. Because of this, Lilly is funding a scholarship in support of students studying manufacturing through WNC's Applied Industrial Technology program.



Kennametal Engineering and Science Scholarship

Kennametal Inc. is a global industrial technology leader delivering productivity to customers through materials science, tooling and wear-resistant solutions. The Kennametal Foundation recently granted Western Nevada College \$3,000 per year for student scholarships. Students interested in studying machine tool technology, mechatronics, applied industrial technology, automated systems technology or environmental studies will benefit. Due to Kennametal's location, a preference will be given to students living in Fallon.

Nancy Mattinson Memorial Scholarship

The Nancy Mattinson Memorial Scholarship was created by Barbara and Bob Watson in memory of their friend Nancy Mattinson. The scholarship supports a female student returning to school after taking a hiatus from education for several years.

The Testolin Family Scholarships

Ms. Gloria Pieretti has added three new scholarships in her family's name in order to support a total of five students annually with \$2,900 each. The scholarship is intended to cover the cost of annual tuition for each student.

William N. Pennington Foundation Nursing Scholarships

William N. Pennington Foundation has increased nursing scholarships in order to support 15 nursing students with scholarships of \$4,000 each. The scholarships are awarded over the two years it takes students to earn their nursing degrees.

To start a scholarship for your business, in your name or in memory of someone you love, please call 775-445-3239.

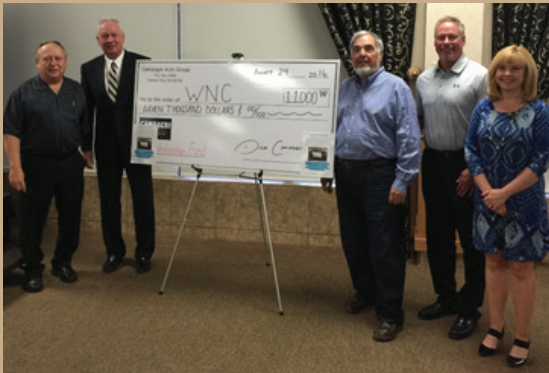
WNC Automotive Students Receive More Support From Our Local Community Than Ever!

Dick Campagni Automotive Scholarship

Dick Campagni, owner of the Campagni Automotive Group, awarded Western Nevada College a check for \$11,000, in order to fund a series of scholarships for local students who attend Western Nevada College.

The Scholarships were created to help WNC students meet their financial needs for the 2017/2018 school year. Ten scholarships benefit students pursuing degrees or certifications in automotive mechanics. Eight other scholarships support students pursuing associate degrees in the area of their choice.

Campagni Auto Group has been a longtime supporter of Western Nevada College. The dealership is also a sponsor of the annual WNC Golf for Education tournament.



Garth Richards Automotive Restoration Scholarship

Carson City developer Garth Richards' passion as an auto collector and restorer has benefitted the automotive mechanics program at Western Nevada College.

Richards recently donated \$25,000 to the program that, in part, will enable instructor Jason Spohr to offer an auto restoration class during spring semester.

Richards previously provided a third-generation classic 1953 Cadillac convertible to the automotive mechanics program, helping WNC create an auto restoration class.

Part of Mr. Richards' donation will be used to provide scholarships to students enrolling in the auto restoration class. Richards also owns Silver Oak Golf Course, which has hosted the annual WNC Golf for Education tournament for the past few years.



William N. Pennington Nursing Scholarship

Brettanie Drapeau
Brenda Luquin
Daron Overturf
Rayanne Sorenson
Heather Weatherford
Nicole Williams
Hillary Arnaud
Alexis Weaver
Michelle Harrington
Kristen Davis-Lange
Gayle Marsella
Danielle Osborn
Amber Hohenstein
Claudia Rodriguez
Rebekah Henderson
Quentin Knowles
Ricardo De La Cruz
Maureen Reynaga
Jerri Crandall
Logan McClinton
Juan Carlos Rojas
Silvia Arreguin
Brianna Millett
Christa Cooper
Caitlyn Jeffers

Western Nevada College Student Leadership Scholarship

Alexandria Rose
Ciarra Begovich
Christian Garcia Morales
Natalie DeJeronimo
Omar Garcia
Hayden Thom
Caitlyn Lee
Mathew Romero
Karsen Law
Miriam Torres

Western Nevada College Talent Grant Art Scholarship

Andriana Cota
Faith Adams

Western Nevada College Talent Grant Music Scholarship

Adriana De Leon

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WNC Foundation develops resources in support of Western Nevada College by creating community partnerships, encouraging philanthropy and strengthening relationships between the college and the communities it serves.

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2018 events benefitting WNC and its students

August 11, 2018 • 6:30 pm

Reach for the Stars Black Tie Gala

Jack C. Davis Observatory, Carson City

Celebrate under the stars at the third annual Black Tie Gala supporting academics. Enjoy cocktails & a full dinner. Stargaze through state-of-the-art telescopes, stroll along the Jack C. Davis Planetary Walkway and dance under the stars to live music. Featuring a silent auction, live auction, psychic readings and many more fun surprises!

Tickets & Sponsorship Available Now!
Call 775-445-3240 for more information.



September 28, 2018 • 8 am

Golf for Education Supporting Workforce Development

Presented by Northern Nevada Development Authority

Join community leaders, local businesses and WNC students and faculty for this fun-filled day of golf supporting workforce development in the Sierra Region. Featuring tee prizes, BBQ, awards ceremony, raffle prizes, hole-in-one prizes, team photos and much more! Funds support WNC with a focus on Western Nevada College's Applied Industrial Technology program.



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