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A Letter from President Dennis Degenhardt



This has been an exceptional year for our campus and the Washington County Campus Foundation. As many of you may know, on July 1st our campus became the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee – Washington County a branch of UWM. The change is the result of the consolidation of our state’s 13 two-year colleges with their neighboring four-year universities. This step was taken in November 2017 as a way to save money while maintaining the quality education that has been the hallmark of our two-year colleges since their inception in 1968,

Please note that even though the administrative structure of our campus has changed, the work of our Washington County Campus Foundation will continue on as it has since its inception in 1974. (See the article “Restructure Update” in this newsletter for more on the consolidation with UWM and the role of the Foundation.

In the midst of this major campus change, **the WCCF reached a milestone in May by awarding over \$190,000 in scholarships, bringing the total scholarship amount awarded since 1995 to more than \$3 million.** Playing a significant role in our record-setting year was a gift from the Ziegler Family Foundation with an annual R. Douglas Ziegler Memorial Scholarship. (See the article “Scholarship Milestone” in this newsletter for more information on this landmark event.)

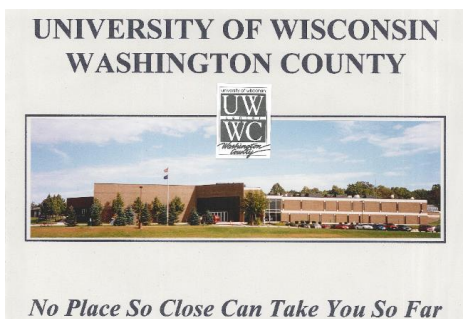
In October, I hope that you'll join me and the Foundation as we celebrate the past 50 years of UW-WC and look forward to the next 50 years of UWM at Washington County. (Details follow in this newsletter)

Lastly, you will find an update on our Festival of Arts which, in spite of a horrific storm this past April, drew over 700 visitors to this annual celebration of visual and performing art.

Thanks to everyone for your ongoing support for this campus and its students through the Foundation!

Dennis D. Degenhardt
Board President

Restructure Update



UW Center 1968-1997



*UW College Campus
1997-2018*



UWM Branch 2018 . . .

In 1968, the UW Washington County **Center** was established as part of a statewide, two-year college program. In 1997, the **Center** transitioned to a **Campus of UW Colleges** - being known as the more familiar UW-WC. Since its inception in 1974, the **Washington County Campus Foundation** has been fulfilling its mission to financially assist outstanding UW-Washington County students to reach their dream of a college education.

On July 1st of this year, our **Campus** became a **Branch** of UW-Milwaukee. As we have done in the past, the **Washington County Campus Foundation** (WCCF) will continue to assist deserving Washington County campus students.

Our articles of incorporation state that the foundation was formed to foster “cultural events, and activities on the campus and in the community of Washington County, the educational betterment of the campus including acting without profit as trustee for educational, cultural and charitable trusts.”

So, as long as there is a two-year school in Washington County, the foundation will work to raise scholarship money for deserving students who begin their college career at our Washington County location. Regardless of whether this school is a Center, a College Campus or a Branch, the WCCF will continue to fulfill its mission to serve the financial needs of its students.

Scholarship Milestone – 3 million dollars to date!

WCCF Scholarship Milestones Reached

This past May, the WCCF reached a new milestone in its assistance to our UW-WC students. Through the generous support of its donors, the foundation awarded 97 scholarships totaling over \$197,000 bringing the combined amount of scholarships awarded since 1995 to over \$3 million.

For more information about the 2018-19 scholarship winners or to make a donation for a scholarship, please visit www.wccf-wi.org and click on the scholarship tab or the donate now tab.



Over 300 students, guests and donors attended the 2018 Scholarship Awards Ceremony on May 22, 2018 in the field house.



See what's happening on our social sites



Peter Ziegler (c) is flanked by the first two Ziegler scholarship award winners Noah Hardy (l) and Matt Shining (r)

New Annual \$12,500

R. Douglas Ziegler Scholarships

A significant part of this year's success was a new scholarships created in memory of R. Douglas Ziegler by the Ziegler Family Foundation. These new scholarships grant \$12,500 over three years to two qualified students who have already completed one year at UW-WC.

Consideration for the scholarships is given to students who are enrolled as a full time student and have completed their first year at UWWC (now UWM at Washington County); have maintained a cumulative 3.0 GPA; have earned a minimum of 30 credits by the end of their current spring semester and have a goal of receiving Bachelor's degree.

Students are selected by their academic achievement, participation in campus related extra-curricular activities, service to community and work experience and financial need.

In presenting the scholarships at the May 22nd awards event, Peter Ziegler of the Ziegler Family Foundation, shared the Ziegler family's commitment to philanthropy and its dedication to furthering education in our community.

Insight on Ziegler Family Philanthropy



The late R. Douglas Ziegler (Doug) and his wife Sharon

The Ziegler Family Foundation was founded in 1944 by B.C. Ziegler. Its reins and philanthropic ideals have been passed down through the family to R. Douglas's son, Peter Ziegler, who became president in 2007. All of the current foundation directors are descendants or are otherwise related to B.C. and his wife Edna Ziegler including a number of current fourth generation descendants.

The majority of the funding for the Ziegler Family Foundation originated and continues to be derived from B.C. and Edna Ziegler, the West Bend Aluminum Co., and R. Douglas Ziegler until his death. R. Douglas Ziegler served on the Family Foundation board for almost 70 years where, as the sole portfolio manager for most of his tenure, he achieved an extraordinary investment record that served the foundation well even today.

Current foundation assets are approximate \$12 million. Total grants awarded exceed \$15 million. Annual granting is over \$400,000. Historically, more than half of all granting has gone to education, mostly in the form of scholarships in the West Bend, Slinger, and Kewaskum area.

The Foundation's focus on education is a direct result of Edna Ziegler's keen interest in education. The importance of philanthropy initiated by B.C. and Edna Ziegler has become an important family value that is now being happily passed on to a fourth generation of Ziegler's. For more on the Ziegler Family Foundation, visit

<http://www.greatermilwaukeefoundation.org/donors/donor-stories/doug-and-sharon-ziegler/>

You're Invited to the 50th Anniversary

Celebrating 50 years - 1968-2018



The first class of students arrived on the Washington County campus in the fall of 1968. Over the past 50 years, the campus has seen four major building additions/remodeling projects - adding a gymnasium, Collins Science wing and connecting all buildings. However, the school's mission of access - in providing a quality University of Wisconsin education - hasn't changed.

[Learn More and Receive a Free Drink Ticket at Events](https://wccf.wufoo.com/forms/z1xwdwe014vtvvo/) <https://wccf.wufoo.com/forms/z1xwdwe014vtvvo/>

Wonderful Evening of Fine Wine and Dine featuring South African Fare – 9/22/18



An evening of fine South African wines and authentic South African dinner at UWM at Washington County was held to **benefit the students through the scholarship program of the Washington County Campus Foundation**. South African food is influenced by French, Dutch and Malaysian cuisine.

Ken and Joanie Kenny of the Little Red Inn and John Neuburg of AVA Wine + Spirits presented their best for an epicurean night to remember!

Special thanks to our presenting sponsor



2018 Festival of Arts Recap



In spite of perhaps the worst storm of the winter, this year's annual Festival of Arts was a well-attended ray of sunshine with the second floor hallways decorated by more than 400 pieces of middle and high schools artwork from promising art students representing 31 middle and high schools in our five county region.

This year's Festival was co-sponsored by Commerce State Bank and Zimmerman Architectural Studios, with all proceeds going to support scholarships for UW-WC students.

In addition to the impressive displayed art, the day was filled with live music performed by student and professional groups, a farmer's market, and our increasingly popular Artists Market Place where original one-of-a-kind items from over 40 Wisconsin artists were on sale in a wide variety of media.

Read the [2018 Festival Of Arts recap](http://wccf-wi.org/festival-arts-2018/). <http://wccf-wi.org/festival-arts-2018/>

