

Special Thanks

Both our campus and foundation are extremely fortunate to have the Ambassador Council whose members serve as premiere volunteers. Our fund raising events, public outreach activities, annual appeal personalization, and many other campus activities are successful only through the support of our Ambassadors. In recognition of their importance, the Foundation hosted a Volunteer Appreciation event at Timmer's Resort Restaurant on May 23.

It was also a perfect opportunity to thank soon-to-be retired Sue Bausch and Dan Anhalt for their many years of service to our campus and their contribution to the thousands of students who benefited from that dedication.

See what's happening on our social sites:

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WCC Focus

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A Letter from President Dennis Degenhardt

This issue of *WCCFocus* is filled with updates of the 2018-19 school year. The highlight of this past year was the celebration of the 50th year that the University of Wisconsin system has been launching college careers for students at our Washington County Campus.

- In 1968, the UW Washington County Center was established as part of a statewide, two-year college program.
- In 1997, the Center was reconfigured to become one of 13 UW Colleges and renamed to the more familiar University of Wisconsin – Washington County (UW-WC).
- In July, 2018, UW-WC became a branch of UW Milwaukee and is now UWM at Washington County.

Since its inception in 1974, the Washington County Campus Foundation (WCCF) has been fulfilling its mission to financially assist outstanding UW-Washington County students to reach their dream of a college education. As we have done in the past, 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, (whether a center, college or branch) WCCF will work to raise scholarship money for deserving students who begin their college career at our Washington County location.

As you read through this newsletter, you will see that WCCF is actively fulfilling its mission through its:

- scholarship program
- community outreach
- fund raising activity
- volunteer support

Thanks to all of you for your continued support of students and your commitment to our mission.

Dennis D. Degenhardt
Washington County Campus Foundation President

50th Anniversary Highlight



Math Professor Emeritus Gary Britton (seated center) was one of the original faculty for the campus when it opened in 1968. Seated to Gary's right is Debbie Spaeth, former alumni of the year recipient. To Deb's right is her mother, Donna Spaeth, from Jackson. To Gary's left is Dawn Spaeth Radloff and her husband Kevin, from Hustisford.

Scholarship Highlights



Marisue Zillig (left) addresses a record audience while presenting the **Matt Zillig Global Citizenship Scholarship** to Joseph Schimp of Slinger and Alison Hardy of Richfield.

Morgan Kappler, winner of the Farmington Scholarship is seated with Norb Dettmann, who established the **Farmington Scholarship**.

Norb is one of the original members of the Ambassador Council.



You're Invited to An Evening Under the Parisian Moon



October 26, 2019

*Formal invitations will be sent
early September.*

Thank You Volunteers



The Volunteer Appreciation party was a perfect opportunity to thank soon to be retired Sue Bausch and Dan Anhalt for their years of service to the campus. (From l to r) Ambassador council member Marilee Muth, Mary Dengel, Maggy Kuhn, Anita Cooper Lynch, WCCF Scholarship manager Terry Seil, Sue Bausch and her husband Brian.

Members of the Ambassador Council and UWM-WC faculty volunteered at ticket sales desk for Festival of Arts.



Ambassador Council members assist with the Foundation's annual appeal by hand addressing the envelopes and adding personal notes on those letters that are addressed to mutual friends.

2018 Fine Wine and Dine



Donna Klug (right) of Educators Credit Union (presenting sponsor) shares a moment with her guests while waiting for the second dinner course to be served.



Little Red Inn owners, Ken and Joan Kenney (left back and front) with their wait staff received a standing ovation from the dinner guests.

Our Fine Wine and Dine event is an excellent example of one of the many ways the Foundation raises money to support the scholarship program for our campus students. This past September 22, the Foundation hosted the second annual *Evening of Wine and Fine Dining*. A premiere dinner and wine experience, this event centers around a country or region famous for exceptional wines with a gourmet dinner inspired by the selection.

The Bistro on the Hill (school cafeteria) was transformed into a magical evening setting for a sellout crowd who enjoyed a superb five course South African dinner from Kenny and Joanie Kenney of the Little Red Inn coordinated with seven spectacular South African wines from the Arendzig winery imported by John Neuburg of AVA Wine+Spirits.



For a glimpse at all the fun you can expect to have at the next Fine Wine and Dine dinner, please go to our web page at www.wccf-wi.org to see a picture collage featuring guests and event highlights.

Kine Torinus and Dennis Degenhardt, WCCF Board chair, share their interest in the campus.

Scholarship Highlights

Tricia Wessel-Blaski (right) received the Rolfs Educator of the Year award and presented this year's **Rolfs Educational Foundation Scholarships** to Genevieve Dwyer (center) of West Bend and Amanda Rice (left) of Milwaukee.



2019 Scholarship Awards Ceremony

Because of the continued support of our donors, WCCF was able to present 102 scholarships totaling over \$202,000 at its May 22 scholarship awards ceremony. This event, and the months of activity that lead up to it, is the focal point of the year. This *is* the WCCF's mission in action. Because graduation for the Associates degree program is now combined with graduation for UWM, the **Rolfs Teacher of the Year award** was presented at the scholarship awards ceremony. Tricia Wessel-Blaski, this year's Rolfs Winner also presented the Rolfs Family Foundation scholarships. (see picture)

As the Foundation continues to grow this program by awarding more scholarships, the event grows in size with more family members and friends joining to celebrate with our scholarship winners. This year, the attendance exceeded 350. Thanks to the efficiency of our MC's, Dennis Degenhardt, and Paul DeChant, and our ushers, Jane Maley and Terry Seil, the presentation of 102 scholarships was completed in 80 minutes. For more information visit <http://wccf-wi.org/scholarship-winners/>

New Scholarship: The Physics Foundation Scholarship



(Left) Tom Holley welcomes scholarship winners & guests and encourages everyone to become a donor to the WCCF.

(Right) Trevor Cross (center) first winner of the **Physics Foundation Scholarship** is pictured with his parents.



Tom Holley, senior lecturer and adjunct faculty member at UWM-WC, and his wife Nancy have established the **Physics Foundation Scholarship**. This scholarship is awarded to a transfer student who will pursue a degree in a S.T.E.M. field that requires physics in its degree plan at a University of Wisconsin campus. Students are selected based on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. This year's winner is Trevor Cross who will attend UW-Madison in their Applied Mathematics, Engineering, and Physics Program.

2019 Festival of Arts

Educators Credit Union and Wisconsin Public Radio partnered with the Foundation to present the annual Festival of Arts on April 6. Festival of Arts is a day-long celebration of visual and performing arts at our UWM-Washington County (UWM-WC) campus. The centerpiece of the event is a juried art show with the best work from 25 Washington, Ozaukee, Dodge, Waukesha, and Fond du Lac county middle and high schools. With the 375 select pieces of artwork adorning the halls of the UWM-WC campus buildings, many of the staff and students call it their favorite time of the year.

The UWM-WC gym is turned into an Artist Marketplace featuring artists from Wisconsin and Northern Illinois who sell their unique works of art. Items for purchase include acrylics, water colors, photography, metal work, hand crafted jewelry, stained glass and wood.

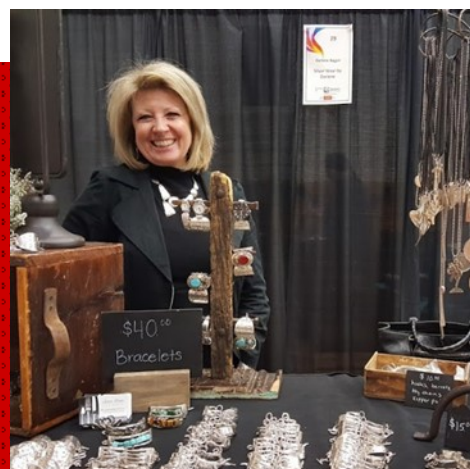
Select local musicians and school groups provided entertainment complementing the Farmer's Market featuring locally food and goods. A visual art workshop presented by Port Washington artist, Brenda Peterson engaged people of all ages with "Make &Take" art projects.

Over 1,000 guests attended our campus to celebrate our regional art students and applaud their hardworking, inspirational teachers.

NEW THIS YEAR: A FOA Sneak Preview event was held on Sunday afternoon March 31 providing a first glimpse of the show including the award winners prior to the public announcement. The guest list included Foundation VIPs such as of our Ambassador Council, Festival Volunteers, Major donors, UWM-WC faculty, and art teachers who submitted student art.



Victor Frazer, represented Educators Credit Union, this year's Festival of Arts presenting sponsor.



Silver Wear by Darlene, a frequent artist at FOA, designs beautiful and unique jewelry from recycled silverware.



The Jackson Jingers, a student music group was one of many who entertained full audiences in the cafeteria throughout the day.

2019 Festival of Arts



Victor Frazer, of Educators Credit Union, presents Austin Fischer of Kewaskum with his first place prize for photography as well as Best in Show for the high school division.



FOA VIP Premiere guests (left to right) Don Muth, Marilee Muth, and Gary Britton admire the wonderful work of Slinger High School art students who received a number of awards in this year's competition.

2018 Fine Wine and Dine



UWM Provost Johannes Britz shares a bit of his South African background and his appreciation of the wonderful dinner that was designed and prepared by the Kenney's of the Little Red Inn.

