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A Letter from President Dennis Degenhardt

Hello Joan,

As we are coming to the end of our fiscal year, I believe we all realize it has been an amazing 12 months. In spite of the restrictions of the COVID epidemic, the Washington County Campus Foundation was able to maintain a level of normalcy thanks to the magic of Zoom which we employed to hold both our Festival of Arts and our scholarship awards ceremony via an online format.



Converting these events to a virtual format was a considerable challenge, but the strong desire by everyone involved to provide both the scholarship winners and our local artists with the recognition their hard work deserved motivated everyone involved to go beyond the call of duty and deliver two impressive online experiences.

Please see the articles below for links to our website for the scholarship awards ceremony recordings and viewing the Festival of Arts exhibition and awards ceremony recording.

Thanks more than ever for your ongoing support of our students and the WCCF mission during these difficult times.

Many thanks,

Dennis D. Degenhardt
Washington County Campus Foundation President

2020 Scholarship Ceremony

On May 19, we successfully held our 2020 Scholarship Ceremony for students who earned 2020-21 school year scholarships. We divided the ceremony into three separate Zoom meetings: Incoming Freshmen, Returning Sophomores, and Transfer Students. Recordings of all three scholarship ceremonies are posted on our website as well as the print version of each program along with group pictures.

We hope you can find a few minutes to view one or more of the three uplifting ceremonies via the following website links...

Incoming Freshmen

<https://wccf-wi.org/scholarship-award-ceremony/incoming-freshman/>

Returning Sophomores

<https://wccf-wi.org/scholarship-award-ceremony/returning-students/>

Transfer Students

<https://wccf-wi.org/scholarship-award-ceremony/transfer-students/>

Although we weren't all in the same room at the same time, all three ceremonies were extremely warm and personal. The online format allowed each winner to briefly share how the scholarship would help them achieve their college and career goals. Everyone in attendance -- donors, students, family members, and the WCCF Board -- enjoyed a warm connection to the WCCF community.



2020 Scholarship Ceremony

Since 1976 when the Washington County Campus Foundation was founded, we have been able to help thousands of students achieve their goal of earning a college degree. Most of our current scholarships are the result of the generosity of donors, like you, who wanted to create a legacy and help future students.

Please consider a gift to help our students through our scholarship program for 2021. Joan Rudnitzki (262-335-5204 or joan@wccf-wi.org) would be happy to answer any of your questions. All gifts are appreciated.

You can donate online at <https://wccf-wi.org/donate-now/> or send a check to:

Washington County Campus Foundation
400 S University Drive
West Bend WI 53095

2020 *ONLINE* Festival of Arts

A big thank you to all the schools who participated in this year's Festival of Arts. The COVID shutdown was starting at the time the teachers were scheduled to drop their art off at the campus. This posed an additional hardship for the teachers since they were expected to begin online teaching the following week. In spite of this, twenty five of the thirty schools who originally intended to participate were able to submit their art.

Our dynamic art-hanging duo of Don Muth and Al Rudnitzki assisted by a number of scholarship winners did a tremendous job of fighting through COVID restrictions and hanging the art in the same fashion as past years. Visit the entire art exhibition here: <https://wccf-wi.org/events/2020-festival-of-arts/festival-of-arts-virtual-gallery/>

The judging was done by Graeme Reid and Andrea Waala of the Museum of Wisconsin Art, Josh Lesniak from UWM-WC art department and former UWWC art student William Gibeau.



2020 *ONLINE* Festival of Arts

The award winners were recognized at a Zoom awards ceremony on April 4. See the awards ceremony here: <https://wccf-wi.org/events/2020-festival-of-arts/festival-of-arts-virtual-gallery/>

Besides the impressive art exhibition and awards ceremony, the virtual Festival of Arts also featured A Musicians Corner <https://wccf-wi.org/events/2020-festival-of-arts/musicians-corner/> including music from *Endless Blue*, *Fred Luft* and *the Kettle Moraine Symphony*.

A Festival of Arts wouldn't be complete without our Artist Marketplace. <https://wccf-wi.org/events/2020-festival-of-arts/artist-marketplace/>

If you are looking for unique jewelry, photography, pottery, original paintings or Farmers Market treats, please support our FOA artisans. They are also being affected because of COVID, since so many art fairs have been cancelled this spring/summer.

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Over the years, the proceeds from Festival of Arts have supported scholarships for our students. Since this year's in-person Festival needed to be canceled, there was no revenue generated for our scholarship program.

If you enjoyed this year's virtual Festival of Arts, please consider making a donation to help support our scholarship program. Many of the students who attend college at our campus are the first in their family to pursue a college degree and typically work at least part time while attending class. Your support for these students helps them achieve their dream of earning a college degree.

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