

*Southwestern
leads and inspires
lifelong learning.*



Foundation Scholarship Fund

Since Southwestern Oregon Community College opened its doors in 1961 with 266 students, more than one-hundred thousand students have attended the college. One out of every six adults in the college district takes a class at Southwestern each year. Southwestern has had a positive impact on almost every family in the college district. Below is a breakdown of the number of scholarships and their value awarded to each high school in our College district. We all know education is expensive, and numerous scholarships are one way we help to make it affordable. Each year, the Foundation in partnership with the College, administrators and extensive scholarship program provides \$700,000 annually in direct assistance and tuition waivers to students attending Southwestern. Below are the scholarships awarded to students in the College district from the Foundation.

HIGH SCHOOL	Number of Recipients	Total Value of Scholarships
Gold Beach High School	2	\$ 7,000
Reedsport High School	3	\$ 2,000
Marshfield High School	5	\$ 2,560
Pacific High School	1	\$ 3,348
Powers High School	2	\$ 1,000
Coquille High School	4	\$ 1,700
Myrtle Point High School	3	\$ 7,696
Bandon High School	1	\$ 200
North Bend High School	1	\$ 200
Southwestern Oregon CC	26	\$ 18,315
Totals	48	\$44,019



Curtis Warrick
2007 Hales Scholarship

Southwestern Student Data

2006-2007

Student Headcount	11,486		
Full-Time Equivalent	3,143		
Gender	Male 41%	Female 54%	Undisclosed 5%
Average Class Size	14		
Student Majors	Career 38.79%	Transfer 51.87%	Undecided 9.35%

Students attending Southwestern who live in Coos, Curry or Douglas counties
(known as In-District Students)

Students attending Southwestern who live outside Coos, Curry or Douglas counties
(known as Out-of-District Students)

Residency	86%	14%
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Southwestern College Facts



Acres Owned	163		
Acres Developed	76		
Number of Buildings	48		
Sites used by Southwestern to offer classes	57		
Programs of Study	49		
Number of degrees and one-year certificates	49		
Total Annual Budget	\$51,222,861		
Southwestern Foundation Holdings	\$ 3,129,694		
Employees	234 Full-Time	651 Part-Time	885 Total
Number of Library Holdings	57,623		
Physical	18,000 Online & Digital	57,623 Total	

Expanded community services and partnerships

Southwestern Oregon Community College and the Foundation have been working this year to continue building partnerships that benefit Southwestern students, the local economy and community as a whole. Following are some of the activities resulting from College and Foundation partnerships:

- Foundation participation in the anti-methamphetamine campaign in The World newspaper;
- Geology Lecture Series bringing experts on a variety of topics to the Bay Area through a partnership with Methane Energy Corporation;
- Light display at the entrance of Shore Acres during the Holiday Lights display designed and constructed by Southwestern students as a Service Learning activity sponsored in part by the Foundation through Faculty Excellence Awards;
- Chef, student and faculty exchange programs with Hyejeon College in South Korea and Changzhou Institute of Technology in China as a result of Sister College relationships with those institutions;
- Creation of an English Language Institute for international students and Southwestern certification as an official TOEFL testing site;
- Implementation of a new Golf Course Horticulture program through partnership with Bandon Dunes Golf Resort;
- Southwestern students participating in Kennedy Center Theatre Competition through Foundation sponsorship;
- Foundation support of music student Hailey Stout, who participated in regional and national competitions for the Colgate Country Showdown;
- Foundation sponsorship of campus greenhouse construction through Faculty Excellence Award program;
- Addition of the South Coast Commercial Driver Institute to meet local demand for trained truck drivers through partnerships with local industry;
- Beginning CREATED initiative to offer high school and college level learning opportunities for students to gain skills in construction, metals, project management or information technology in partnership with the Coos Bay and North Bend school districts as well as local business and industry;
- The Foundation in partnership with the College provides more than \$700,000 of tuition assistance to Southwestern students. Foundation scholarships totaling more than \$44,000 were provided to students in the College District.
- Continued operation of the Southwestern Business Development Center in partnership with the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay;
- The Foundation supported the expansion of the permanent campus art collection by partnering with Coos Art Museum to sponsor Expressions West 2007 art exhibit as well as Visions 2007 high school art competition. Altogether, the Foundation invests \$10,000 annually in community and campus artistic expression;
- The first OCCI Pro-Start high school culinary competition, attracting participants from schools in three different states;
- Culinary customized training provided by Oregon Coast Culinary Institute to local food service workers in partnership with the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce; and
- Groundbreaking of on Curry County Campus north of Brookings through the generous donation of 10 acres by Rio Tinto Minerals and funding for building provided by Curry County taxpayers, the Oregon Legislature, Southwestern and community partners.



Stellar inaugural year for Laker Club

The Foundation and Southwestern joined resources this year to form the new Laker Club alumni association.

Members of the free association will receive e-mail newsletters and invitations to various Laker Club events each year as well as the opportunity to connect and network with other former Southwestern students. The club is open to anyone who has taken a class at Southwestern and those who sign up this year will enjoy Charter Member status in the organization, receiving special certificates of recognition.

The official launch of the club was last June, when Laker Club President John Breuer announced the formation of the club to the Foundation at its annual dinner before handing out certificates to the first group of Charter Members. On June 15, Alumni Association members, graduating students and family members attended the Laker Club Launch barbecue which included a historic slideshow about the college, campus tours and free dinner and dessert. Several more individuals became acquainted with the Laker Club and signed up for membership at that event.

Still in its formative stages, the Laker Club recently elected a slate of officers for the upcoming year. Those individuals, with the input of Laker Club members, will guide the development of the association into an organization from which members of all ages can benefit and stay connected with Southwestern. This year's inaugural slate of officers include President John Breuer; Vice President Rick Osborn; Treasurer Avena Singh; Secretary Nancy Doll; Foundation representatives Jean Kyle and Marie Simonds; and other ex-officio officers to be named representing the Nursing Program, Associated Student Government and athletics.

For more information or to sign up for the Laker Club, those interested can contact Marie Simonds, Interim Foundation Director, at 888-7211 or by e-mail at msimonds@socc.edu. So far about 150 individuals have joined the Laker Club in its first few months, and if you've taken a class at Southwestern, you can too!



John Breuer launches the Laker Club!

Sim Lab provides practical nursing experience

Nursing, like most health care fields, is about people and how professionals interact with them, treat them and ultimately help them heal. In the simulation lab Southwestern Oregon Community College Nursing Program students are able to hone those skills with seemingly real patients.

In the nursing simulation lab Southwestern Oregon Community College Nursing Program students are learning the fine details of patient care in through the use of high-tech mannequins during intense practical lab sessions designed to simulate real emergency medical situations. The man-



nequins, with their abilities to speak and behave like real patients, give nursing students hands-on training responding to a variety of situations.

Currently, the college has four mannequins including a baby, two adults and a female that births a baby. A variety of injuries and illnesses can be simulated with removable paint and replaceable appendages. Plugged in to a computer system, the simulators can make breathing, coughing and crying sounds. They can speak, describe symptoms and behave much like real patients. Nursing students can practice performing airway management, start IVs, feel pulses at the neck and arm, deal with broken bones and myriad other procedures. The simulator makes heart,

lung, vocal and other sounds that can be altered by the faculty during the simulation. After the intense labs students can critique the way their peers handled themselves under the circumstances. It also involves a great deal of self evaluation.

Currently there are two simulator patient rooms in the Nursing Program facilities in Sumner Hall. With planning and fund-raising for a Health and Science Technology building underway, Southwestern hopes to expand the number and size of the lab spaces to accommodate more students and also continue adding programming that would promote a highly skilled local workforce in the medical field.

Southwestern benefits the South Coast economy

Southwestern Oregon Community College students are yielding a 4-to-1 payoff ratio from their investment in education at the College and the South Coast also is realizing positive economic results, according to a recent report published by Community College Benefits.

In addition to the benefits students derive in earnings and life satisfaction due to pursuing higher education at Southwestern, the College also pumps millions of dollars into the regional economy through business expenditures, employment, improved socio-economic conditions and the ability of alumni to obtain higher-paying jobs with their education.

Following are some quick facts from the Community College Benefits report entitled The Economic Contribution of Southwestern Oregon Community College:

- For every dollar students invest in Southwestern, they will receive a cumulative \$4.20 in higher future earnings over the course of their working careers;
- College District taxpayers experience a 19.3-percent return ratio on their investment in the College;
- Taxpayers receive \$4.30 in services for every dollar that is committed to College funding;
- Improved student lifestyles resulting from their Southwestern education translates into savings for the state of Oregon – with benefits from improved health and reduced welfare, unemployment and crime – saving the public \$1.1 million per year each year that Southwestern students are in the workforce; and
- The regional economy receives roughly \$212.1 million in income due to Southwestern operations and past student productivity. That figure accounts for 13 percent of a typical year's economic growth.



Overall, the study shows that it pays to invest in education and it pays for students to learn at Southwestern!

Master planning underway

With the help of master planning architects Crow/Clay Associates, Southwestern is planning for the future of its facilities and educational offerings, funded by the Southwestern Foundation.

Southwestern and architects of record Crow/Clay Associates of Coos Bay last spring began the master planning process for all campus facilities. Focus group meetings scheduled in communities throughout the College District, which stretches from western Douglas County to the California border, are ongoing.

Each meeting includes participation by community leaders and residents, with

participants' input helping the College steer future programming, outreach offerings, campus planning at current and future Southwestern locations and myriad other activities.

The first of these meetings began in April at Curry County locations, where architects and College officials gathered public input on community facility and educational needs regarding a new campus to be constructed north of Brookings.

Southwestern will continue planning focus groups throughout the South Coast during Fall 2007. The Master Plan will determine future new and renovated facility needs, educational programming and workforce development opportunities necessary to maintain a skilled workforce and educated citizenry on the South Coast.

Jacqueline Examilotis
2007 Floyd Ingram Scholarship



Dorothy Heagy honored as Laker of the Year



Darryl Andy, Vision 2007 Scholarship



Jamie Harrison, Bay Area Sportsman's Assoc. Scholarship



Cody J. Carlson, 2007 Hales Scholarship



Lindsay Little, Sharon Barnett Memorial Scholarship
Lisa Wampole Criminal Justice Scholarship



Dorothy Heagy receives her Laker of the Year award from Dr. Hansen

Long-time South Coast educator Dorothy Heagy was honored as this year's Laker of the Year at the second-annual membership dinner hosted by the Southwestern Foundation on June 7 at the Oregon Coast Culinary Institute.

Heagy was selected from nominations submitted by the Foundation Board. Her support of lifelong learning and Southwestern made her a fitting selection as the second person to receive this annual award. Heagy has devoted a great deal of her time, energy and enthusiasm to Southwestern in a variety of capacities. She has served Southwestern as an instructor, a College Board of Education member from 1992 to 2001 and as a Foundation Board member for eight years. Her involvement with the Foundation included establishing its first Charitable Remainder Trust. Heagy's comments were modest in receiving the award: "Education is my mission; my passion in life."

More than 80 donors attended the event. Students assisted in preparing a delicious meal and decadent dessert, while jazz and blues music provided entertainment for those in attendance. The Southwestern Foundation also unveiled the new Laker Club alumni association to its members. Laker Club President John Breuer invited all the evening's attendees to join the Laker Club as Charter Members.

The evening's events included celebrating Foundation successes of supported projects throughout the year. These projects included campus and community support of the anti-methamphetamine campaign in The World newspaper; Hailey Stout in the Colgate Country Showdown; theatre students in the Kennedy Center Theatre Competition; the Geology Lecture Series; the Expressions West and Vision art competitions; and Faculty Excellence Awards.



Counting down to 50 years

After sprouting as a dream held by a visionary group of longshoremen, Southwestern Oregon Community College is celebrating its 46th year of continuous growth providing higher education, workforce development and myriad other services to the South Coast.

Beginning with last year's 45th anniversary festivities, Southwestern is carrying out a series of yearly celebrations – each with the theme of one decade of College history – building up to the milestone 50th anniversary. There's ample reason to celebrate. Since its inception as

Oregon's first community college district in 1961, more than 100,000 students have attended Southwestern and one out of every six adults in the College District takes a class at the College each year.

With the recent addition of the Rec Center and future plans for a Curry County campus as well as a Health and Science Technology building in Coos Bay for the 45th anniversary, students, community members and staff and faculty members participated in a dual 45th anniversary and Rec Center grand opening celebration last September that

included music, refreshments, contests, fitness center tours and demonstrations as well as a through-the-years presentation including historic memorabilia relating to the College.

More 1970s and 1980s themed activities will be planned for the coming year, particularly involving the new Laker Club alumni association which includes former and current students representing several decades from Southwestern's rich local history.



SOUTHWESTERN OREGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBERS



Top Row: Marcia Jensen, Jim Graves, Ron Metzger, Dick Vigue, Carol Oelke, Susan Massey, Dan Smith, Bill Lansing, Nancy Doll

Bottom Row: Judith Hansen, Sheldon Meyer, Jean Kyle, Bob Braddock, Stephen Schoonmaker, Mike Groben, Doug Fletcher

Not featured in photo: Tricia Benetti, Hank Hickox, Dora Daniels, Marie Simonds

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Staff

Nancy Doll

The number of individuals serving on the Foundation Board nearly doubled in the 2006-07 school year. Additionally, the Foundation's assets topped \$3 million with an increase of 59 percent in annual donations. The Foundation Board was hard at work supporting various community projects and creating new partnerships to better extend the services and opportunities offered to Southwestern students. This upcoming year will include a continuation of community supported projects as well as the hiring of a Capital Campaign Consultant who will begin work for the Health, Science and Technology building as well as Southwestern's Curry County campus.

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