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AMARILLO COLLEGE FOUNDATION HOLIDAY UPDATE



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Notes from the Chairman



Dear Friends of the AC Foundation:

Happy Holidays from the board and staff of the Amarillo College Foundation. We have had an extremely busy and successful year to date!

The Foundation hosted the third annual Badger Bash in August. Over 200 people attended and over \$48,000 was raised to provide recruiting scholarships for incoming freshmen to attend Amarillo College! Everyone had a blast and it was a great way to kick off the fall season.

The Foundation's 51st annual meeting was held in the Skyline room on the 16th floor of the Amarillo National Bank this year. Bob Josserand of Hereford was inducted into the Amarillo College Foundation Honor Roll. Bob was instrumental in raising both friends and funds to build the Amarillo College Hinkson Memorial campus in Hereford.

We launched our Annual Campaign this month. You should have already received your letter in the mail. We look forward to a very successful campaign and hope that each of you will be a part of ensuring the success of students attending Amarillo College. We could never assist the number of students that we do without the help of donors like you.

This upcoming year is already shaping up to be one of our most successful to date and we want to thank all of you who have helped to make the AC Foundation one of the largest in the state of Texas among community colleges. We wish each of you a very happy new year!!

Mark D. White
Amarillo College Foundation Board Chairman



Amarillo College Foundation Hosts 51st Annual Meeting

Over 150 people attended the 51st annual Amarillo College Foundation meeting held September 30th. This year the meeting was held in the Skyline Room on the 16th floor of the Amarillo National Bank. The honoree was Bob Josserand of Hereford.

Terry Caviness, of Hereford-based Caviness Beef Packing, introduced Bob Josserand. Terry reviewed Mr. Josserand's long list of service to the community of Hereford, including serving as mayor since 1993. He praised Bob as the pivotal force in generating community support to construct the new Amarillo College Hinkson Memorial Campus in Hereford. Bob was instrumental in initiating and fundraising for the Hereford Capital Campaign for the new Amarillo College Hereford campus. He thanked the attendees and discussed the importance of the new AC campus in Hereford and how much it will mean to residents of the Hereford area. He also thanked Dr. Paul Matney and everyone present for all of their assistance and financial support in the construction of the new facility.

Mark White, the Amarillo College Foundation board chairman, opened the meeting and introduced Dr. Russell Lowery-Hart, the new Amarillo College president who gave opening remarks and thanked the Foundation for its support of the students, faculty and programs at AC.

The 2014 Amarillo College Student Government president, Andrew Alexander and Heather Atchley, director of Student Life at AC, presented the foundation a check for \$4,301.48 from proceeds from the 2014 Distinguished Lectured Series which featured author Paul Rusesabagina. Mr. Rusesabagina was the subject of the movie; *Hotel Rwanda*. All donations to the Student Government Association from the Lecture Series go to the SGA Scholarship fund to assist members of the Student Government Association with their tuition, books and fees while attending Amarillo College. Over the past five years, \$34,680.00 has been given to 80 students to further their education at AC.

Mark White recognized Fay Moore, the outgoing ACF board member, for her outstanding service to the Foundation. Fay served two terms on the board, during which she chaired the major gifts and donor relations committee, served on the audit committee, fund priorities and allocations committee and the finance and investment committee. Mark also welcomed three new members to the board; Laresa Chesley and Mike Harris of Amarillo and Kyle Lewis of Dumas. He thanked the nominating committee, led by Trevor Caviness, for all their hard work.

Mark Logsdon gave a report on the Bud Joyner Fellows Program which benefits programs at Amarillo College and encouraged everyone to support it.

Chairman White then closed the meeting, thanked the Blue Blazers service organization for their assistance during the evening and reminded everyone to support the AC Foundation.



Nancy and Bob Josserand



Sandy Josserand, Joan Poarch, Nancy and Bob Josserand, Christy and Barry Josserand



AC Regent Johnny Mize and Terry Caviness



Shirley and Ed Fancher with ACF Chairman, Mark White



Fay and Bob Moore



Members of the AC Blueblazers and the Student Government Association



Incoming ACF Board Members;
Laresa Chesley and Mike Harris
Not pictured: Kyle Lewis



Tracy Dougherty, Laurel Gerald and Carol Lovelady



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Chairman – Mark White

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Secretary – Mark Logsdon

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AC President – Dr. Russell Lowery-Hart



Andrew Alexander, SGA President, and Heather Atchley, Director of Student Life at AC, present a check to the Amarillo College Foundation



Carol and Sam Lovelady



Chairman Mark White presenting Honoree Sam Lovelady with a Bud Joyner Fellows plaque



Ellen and Mark Bivins

Amarillo College Honors the 2014 Distinguished Alumnus **SAM LOVELADY**

Over 200 people attended the 2014 AC Distinguished Alumnus luncheon in honor of Sam Lovelady, this year's recipient. The luncheon was held at the Amarillo Country Club on November 13th. Allen Durrett, close friend and the 2013 Distinguished Alumnus, was the Master of Ceremonies.

A graduate of Tascosa High School, Sam attended AC from 1973 to 1975, laying the groundwork for a subsequent bachelor's degree, an exceptional career as a certified public accountant and ultimately becoming a founding partner of Lovelady, Christy and Associates.

His allegiance to and support of Amarillo has been apparent for years. Sam was a member of the Board of Governors of Northwest Texas healthcare System, a Trustee of Polk Street Methodist Church and a public member of the State Bar of Texas. He served as a board member and board president of the Amarillo Area Foundation, the Amarillo Independent School District, Don & Sybil Harrington Foundation, Amarillo Symphony and Opportunity School.

Sam credits the caring faculty and the culture of success at Amarillo College for putting him on the path to prosperity. The path he followed is one of stewardship, volunteerism and public service to his hometown. Sam is married to Carol Vahue and has two children; daughter Lizzie, son, Patrick and wife Jennilee and grandson Jackson Vahue Lovelady.



Marilee Thomas, Jan Blair, Jennilee and Patrick Lovelady



Sam Lovelady and Allen Durrett



Mindy Jackson, Becky King, Cristy and Jack Miller, Susan Esler





“EDUCATION IS NOT THE FILLING OF A PAIL,
BUT THE LIGHTING OF A FIRE.” — William Butler Yeats



ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Approximately 11,000 students attend one of the seven Amarillo College campuses located in Amarillo, Dumas and Hereford.

The Amarillo College Foundation kicked off its annual campaign December 1st. The goal is to raise funds for the high-quality and affordable academic and technical programs offered at Amarillo College. Amarillo College offers 140 plus diverse programs and degrees to our students.

“If we increase the passion for learning in our communities, we will continue to innovate and enhance the attractiveness of our region as a whole,” according to this year’s Campaign Chairman Trevor Caviness. The reality is that education, no matter how affordable, puts cost demands on the student. That is why the Amarillo College Foundation plays such a vital role in the College’s success. The Foundation exists to solicit and administer gifts and grants for the benefit of Amarillo College, its students, faculty, staff, programs and facilities.

Over 1,545 worthy students benefitted from scholarship support from the Foundation this year. Many of these recipients might not have attended college without it.

HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



- Establish a fund in honor or memory of a loved one
- Donate to an existing Amarillo College Foundation fund – all funds are listed on the Amarillo College website at www.actx.edu
- Donate to the Amarillo College Foundation **unrestricted** fund to benefit all aspects of student life at Amarillo College

Please join the Foundation in our Annual Campaign with a contribution or pledge. A giving envelope is included in this mailing for your convenience. All gifts made will be designated for the annual campaign.



Magician performing for children at Badger Bash



Ben and Kelly Whittenburg with Kyle and Ashley Sparkman

THIRD ANNUAL BADGER BASH BIG SUCCESS

The third Badger Bash street party was held on August 23rd on the 2400 block of Lipscomb. Assorted grilled and barbeque creations were provided by area cooking teams and Chick-fil-A provided lemonade and chicken nuggets. Over \$48,000 was raised to benefit Amarillo College recruiting scholarships. Attendees listened to music provided by Insufficient Funds, and a magician and funhouse provided entertainment for the kids.

Thank you to Laddex, Amarillo National Bank, Underwood Law Firm, Sprouse Shrader Smith Law Firm and Caviness Beef Packers for providing the cooking teams this year!!!



Ed Dowdy and Rob Mansfield



Paul Clark, Christian and Kip Frazer



Lynae and Brian Jacob



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A WORLD OF GOOD WISHES TO EACH OF YOU.

One of the real joys of this holiday season is the opportunity to say thank you and wish each of you the very best for the new year.

The Amarillo College Foundation Board and Staff

The Amarillo College Foundation Office will be closed for the holidays from December 22 through January 2.



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