

In Brief...

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The Foundation welcomes five new board members—Michael Gilfillan, Clark Delanois, Richard Fischer, Joseph Clare and Kris Howard Jensen. Read more about them on pages 8 and 9.

The Foundation awarded more than \$120,000 in scholarships last year to more than 200 students.

Save the date for the Harper College Educational Foundation Golf Open 2006 on June 5, 2006.

Six new endowed scholarships were established this summer in support of Harper students.

The Foundation received an unqualified audit for the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

2+1 Scholars and Donors Honored

It is not enough to have a good mind; the main thing is to use it well.

Rene Descartes

In the early 1980s, the Harper College Educational Foundation partnered with two local corporations to create scholarships to help engineering students. The **Northrop Grumman** Engineering Endowed Scholarship and the **Square D** 2+1 Endowed Engineering Scholarship are classified as "2+1" scholarships because they support Harper students during their two-year tenure and also during their first year at a transfer school. Since the inception of these scholarships, more than 20 students have received support and transferred to schools that included the University of Illinois, Northern Illinois University, Northwestern University and Iowa State University.

"We are grateful to Northrop Grumman and Square D for their commitment to Harper College students and their continuing generosity to the Foundation's scholarship program. These benevolent corporations have made a huge difference in our community and in the lives of our students through their ongoing support of Harper," said **Catherine Brod**, executive director of the Educational Foundation.

Roland Marquis, director of QRC Programs at Northrop Grumman and a member of the Foundation board of directors, believes that, "Our Northrop Grumman Rolling Meadows employees

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The Educational Foundation purchased two works of art from the 2005 Small Works Exhibition. To learn more about these pieces of art, see page 4.

The Power of Giving: Helping People Go Forward



Thank you!

A Message from the Executive Director

Welcome to the fall issue of Community Catalyst. The last year was a tremendous one for all of us here at Harper. There are many things to celebrate and recognize. Donors have pledged their generous support to create six new endowed scholarships. I hope you will take a look on page 12 for the impressive list of scholarships and scholars from last year. We raised \$1.3 million in support last year through the generosity of donors and friends like you.

We also have spent a lot of time this year saying farewell to friends who have retired from the Harper College Educational Foundation Board. We highlight our dear friends and colleagues **Martha Bell, Dick Guttman, Tom MacCarthy** and **Don Torisky**, who have served the Foundation with an impressive 52 combined years of service.

The College also honored retiring Board of Trustees members **Kris Howard Jensen** and **Richard Kolze**, who provided more than 36 years of service to Harper and helped shape the educational institution that it is today. We highlight these remarkable individuals in this issue on page 15.

The Foundation welcomes five new board members: **Joseph Clare, Clark Delanois, Richard Fischer, Michael Gilfillan** and **Kris Howard Jensen** whose biographies are included on pages 8 and 9. I encourage you to read about our newest members and get to know them as they begin their new term with the Harper College Educational Foundation.

As you know, the Foundation continues to support programs that expand Harper's vision and fulfill the needs of our growing student population and communities. In the last year we have supported new health career and safety programs; we have underwritten programs on leadership for student leaders who are academic achievers; we have provided funding for programs at the Palatine Opportunity Center and the Rolling Meadows Police Neighborhood Resource Center; we have expanded the extensive Harper art collection, which is a regionally-known collection of art objects representing a range of artists from across the United States; and we have offered training on planned giving (wills, estate planning, trusts, etc.) to professional advisors and nonprofit organizations.

Harper College is preparing to launch a new Web site that includes an enhanced events calendar, news bureau and search capabilities. As the College prepares for the new site, we invite you to be the first to preview it at harpercollege.edu. Funding from a Foundation Resources for Excellence Grant helped support this initiative. In addition, the Foundation now is accepting online donations. By visiting the Harper Web site, you can learn how to make your secured online gift!

Our successes would not be possible without the generous support of donors like you and the hundreds of other individuals, corporations and businesses who believe in Harper College and support us year after year. At Harper College, we help people go forward. We couldn't do that without you. ■

Catherine M. Brod
*Vice President of Community Relations,
Harper College
Executive Director,
Harper College Educational Foundation*

Scholarship

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are proud sponsors of the Harper 2+1 scholarship because it underscores our commitment to education and it allows students to continue their education."

Daniel Moussa couldn't agree more. A graduate from Stevenson High School in Buffalo Grove, Moussa majored in engineering at Harper. He was awarded the Northrop Grumman Engineering Endowed Scholarship during his 2004-2005 academic year. "Winning this scholarship meant a lot to me. First it made me feel good about entering the engineering field at a time when many engineers were being outsourced."

"The scholarship helped me believe that my future in engineering is secure," he said. "It is such an honor to receive a scholarship from a prestigious company like Northrop Grumman."

Robert Fiorani, vice president of communication at Square D/Schneider Electric, who also serves on the Harper Educational Foundation board, believes the Square D 2+1 Endowed Engineering Scholarship helps develop future engineers. "The scholarship is a perfect formula for us. It provides us with a great partnership with a wonderful institution."

Harper College was Square D's only neighbor when they moved to Palatine from Park Ridge in 1979. "We developed a good system with Harper College right away and that was to find, identify and develop bright engineering students," said Fiorani. "If we can do anything to inspire or encourage students to advance their education and continue on to college—we're on board."



(L to R) Dr. Robert Breuder, Roland Marquis, Daniel Moussa



(L to R) Dr. Robert Breuder, Dave Gleissner, Robert Fiorani

Square D 2+1 Endowed Engineering Scholarship recipient **Dave Gleissner** said the Scholarship is a great honor. "Square D has taken a financial burden off my shoulders," he said. "The scholarship will help me when I transfer to Purdue University or the University of Illinois." ■

For more information on the Northrop Grumman Engineering Endowed Scholarship and the Square D 2+1 Endowed Engineering Scholarship, please call Heather Engel Zoldak at 847.925.6610.

Art on Campus

New Acquisition

The Educational Foundation has partnered with Harper College to purchase a six-foot bronze sculpture, *A Walk in the Mist*, for the atrium in Avanté. **Jim and Judy Dodson** of Arizona designed the sculpture that became a part of the Foundation's permanent art collection in August. A grant from the **Omron Foundation** helped to underwrite the purchase. ■

Small Works Exhibit Purchase Award

The Educational Foundation has purchased two works of art from the 2005 Small Works Exhibition. *Looking* by **Yvonne Petkus** is an oil-on-board piece that uses paint in an Impressionist-like technique of distinct dabs.

Floating Lizards by **Rich Lane** of Barrington is a 10.5 by 10.5 inch black and white photograph. Lane, a former Harper art student and fine arts photographer, has been teaching art at John Hersey High School in Arlington Heights for the last 11 years. "I strive to capture the beauty and mystery in bizarre, unusual subject matter." said Lane in an artist description.

These two pieces will join the Harper College Educational Foundation Art Collection, now valued at \$1.2 million. ■

Art Reception

The Foundation's Director's Circle hosted their second annual Small Works art reception for 150 people in April to kick off the 2005 exhibit. Harper art faculty, alumni, students and artists represented in the 28th annual show were treated to gourmet wine and cheeses, generously donated by **Chicago Prime Steakhouse**.

Guests participated in a raffle of a unique necklace that was designed by Harper fashion design student **Maria Fung**. Fung won a design contest and scholarship sponsored by **Wyatt Austin Jewelers**. Wyatt Austin took Fung's design and created a beautiful object of art made of hematite, sterling silver and Swarovski crystals. Raffle proceeds will benefit the art program at Harper.

Other highlights of the evening included tours of the exhibit. "The reception was a wonderful event that brought together artists, donors, students, professors and our community. The exhibit display was notable for its diversity. I also think the exhibit challenged many of the attendees to expand their notions of art," said Martha Bell, who has served as a Foundation Board member for 14 years. "The Arts Committee was pleased the College was able to acquire several pieces to broaden our collection and its educational value."

According to **Perry Pollock**, assistant professor of art, the Harper show has evolved over time from a more traditional art show to a contemporary, well-balanced mix of various works. ■



Maria Fung, Harper art student, with her award-winning jewelry design.

Program Highlights

Bridging the Digital Divide

Harper College offers an Adult Education Development (AED) program at the Palatine Opportunity Center (POC) that is designed to help bridge the digital divide that exists between households with access to the Internet and households without access. While computer ownership and Internet access rates are rising annually nationwide, there are a large number of people in Harper's community who don't directly benefit from Internet access at home. The Harper College Educational Foundation provided funding to the AED program at the POC that helped purchase new computers for classes and training sessions.

Jennifer Bell, an adult education development instructor at Harper, thinks the AED department "has been making great progress in bridging the digital divide." The department now has 92 computers located at four locations; 24 are located at the POC.

"Our goal at the POC is to address the digital divide by improving our students' literacy and technology skills," Bell said. Courses taught by Bell include basic Internet, Web search, e-mail, keyboarding and word processing skills. Through courses like these "students who once could not use a mouse are now reading about medical illnesses online, finding information on how to get a driver's licenses and typing letters to their landlords to request services." ■

If you would like more information on the AED Program at the Palatine Opportunity Center, or if you would like to support the program financially, please call Lydia Omori at 847.925.6223 or e-mail lomori@harpercollege.edu

Distinguished Scholar Award

In keeping with the Harper College emphasis on academic excellence, Harper College offers the Distinguished Scholar Award to students who rank in the top 10 percent of in-district high school graduating classes. These students are eligible to receive a full tuition and fee scholarship for 60 credit hours of full-time study, a nearly cost-free two-year education at Harper College.

The Harper College Educational Foundation provided \$20,000 to the Distinguished Scholar program in 2005 in support of Harper's academically talented student leaders.

Distinguished Scholars must maintain a full-time status at Harper of no less than 12 credit hours each semester and they must maintain a 3.0 grade point average. Additionally, Distinguished Scholars participate in a program of activities designed to enrich their educational experience outside of the classroom.

LaVonya Williams, coordinator and advisor of the Distinguished Scholar program says, "Students develop their leadership skills in highly interactive seminars such as eXcel, a student leadership program on campus. They also are connected to the campus through involvement in student clubs and organizations.

"Off campus, these scholars have volunteered in various organizations, such as homeless shelters, assisted living centers, hospitals and churches. These students benefit academically from this program. They are provided a counselor who assists them with course selection, career and transfer planning and information about scholarship opportunities to ensure a successful transition following their enrollment at Harper."

The Distinguished Scholar program is unique because it serves two purposes. It attracts high achieving students in the surrounding high school districts to Harper College and these students give back to Harper College through services and leadership.

*LaVonya Williams,
Distinguished Scholar
Coordinator and Advisor*

Some previous Distinguished Scholar recipients, such as **Jennifer Spencer**, have chosen to give back to their alma mater by creating scholarships. In 2004, three years after she graduated from Harper as a Distinguished Scholar, Spencer established the Bright Futures Scholarship to assist students who are earning their degree at Harper College. ■

If you would like more information on the Distinguished Scholar program, please call LaVonya Williams at 847.925.6393.

The Giving Tree

Harper College faculty members, donors and friends gather to remember former president James McGrath.

Former faculty members, administrators, donors and friends of Harper College reunited on May 21 for a memorial reception honoring former Harper president **James McGrath**. **Mary Jo Willis** welcomed friends and family to a special program honoring McGrath and rededicating the campus memorial/tribute tree program.

Guest speakers included Catherine Brod, **Bill and Jani Eliasek**, **Tom McCabe**, who delivered a eulogy for McGrath, **Dr. J. Harley Chapman** and McGrath's daughter **Meredith McGrath Duddy**, who presented remarks on behalf of the McGrath family.

Guests paused for a moment of reflective silence as the campus honor/tribute tree program was rededicated and the families and individuals recognized on the plaques that adorn the trees were remembered. James McGrath presented a gift to Harper College as president in 1988 to inaugurate the program, which today includes more than 40 trees.

"It was a beautiful day marking a wonderful occasion—the celebration of the work and life of this beloved former president, James McGrath," said Catherine Brod, Executive Director of the Educational Foundation. ■

Resource for Excellence Grant Highlights

The Educational Foundation is proud to support the eXcel Leadership Series program, a Resource for Excellence grant recipient for two years. Students enrolled in the eXcel Leadership Series explore their values, self-identities, interpersonal competence, cultural awareness and essential life skills during four half-day workshops per semester.

I have learned to be more outgoing. I learned how to work in a group rather than by myself. The eXcel Leadership Series program has helped me grow as a human being.

eXcel Leadership Series participant

"The eXcel Leadership series allows for highly motivated students to connect with each other, while participating in interactive workshops given by some of the top speakers in our country," said **Michael Nejman**, director of student activities. "Many students have said that the program had a very positive impact on their lives."

The program, however, comes with a significant price tag, Nejman says. "There's the cost of the speaker's fee, airfare, hotel, ground transportation and meals. Even if we supplement the program with local guest speakers, the program requires sufficient funding to maintain its high level of excellence." With the support of a Resource for Excellence grant from the Foundation, Nejman and his staff can plan a program that rivals those at four-year institutions.

"The eXcel Leadership program truly makes a difference in our students' lives," Nejman said. "We think this year's program will be the best yet." ■

For more information on this program or to make a gift in support of the eXcel Leadership Series, please call 847.925.6242.

New Endowed Scholarship

Philip and Claudette Lobo Displaced Homemakers Endowed Scholarship

Harper College Educational Foundation board member **Dr. Philip Lobo** and his wife, **Claudette**, have established the Philip and Claudette Lobo Displaced Homemakers Endowed Scholarship in support of Harper's Women's Program.

"Displaced homemakers often come to Harper during a difficult transition in their lives. Struggling to support themselves and their children, they seek education to attain employment which pays a self-sufficient wage. Often they have been out of the work force for years—raising their children at home—and now need to upgrade their employment skills. With limited finances, college is not always feasible," said **Kathleen Canfield**, who directs the Women's Program at Harper. "The Philip and Claudette Lobo Scholarship will put the education they need within their reach."

What inspired the Lobo family to create and fund the scholarship? "It has to be very difficult to find the courage and confidence to move on after experiencing an abusive situation and our hearts go out to these women," said Dr. Lobo. "Given the various programs that Harper endorses we feel that anyone who has suffered the setbacks of battery and an abusive relationship and is attempting to pick up the pieces of their lives can use all of the help and support that they can get."

The Lobos hope the scholarship fund will continue to grow with the support of other private donors. "It is our hope that this scholarship will increase the level of awareness of how common a problem domestic violence is, while serving as a reminder that these women are not alone."

Canfield and her colleagues see great potential in the support of the Lobos and other private donors who believe in the Women's Program at Harper. "We appreciate the generosity of Dr. and Mrs. Lobo in providing a Harper scholarship for displaced homemakers. And with 8,505 female householders in Harper's district who have children under the age of 18 and no husband present, we would certainly encourage other generous donors to follow Dr. and Mrs. Lobo's lead," Canfield said. ■

If you would like to support the Philip and Claudette Lobo Displaced Homemakers Endowed Scholarship in support of Harper's Women's Program, please call Kathleen Canfield at 847.925.6437 or e-mail kcanfiel@harpercollege.edu

We are so glad that Harper College has programs that offer training and educational opportunities for those in our community who are most deserving. Each success story becomes one more candle to light the darkness.

*Dr. Philip Lobo,
Harper College
Educational Foundation
board member
and scholarship supporter*

New Board Members

The Harper College Educational Foundation welcomes five new members to the Foundation Board

Joseph F. Clare

Joseph Clare is a senior vice president for Gilbane Building Company in Chicago. He is the regional manager of Gilbane's Midwest Region and serves as principal in charge for all Gilbane's projects in the

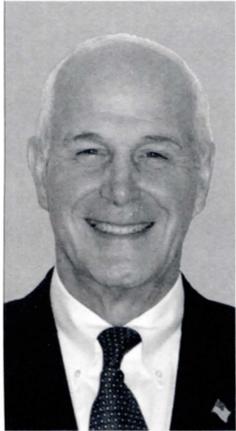
Midwestern United States. Clare joined Gilbane in 1985.

Clare has a bachelor of science degree from the United States Naval Academy, a bachelor of science in civil engineering and a master of science in construction management from

the University of Michigan and a master in business administration from George Washington University.

He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, a registered professional engineer in California, Michigan and Pennsylvania, on the executive committee of the Better Business Bureau in Chicago and a board member of Westside Math and Science Network.

Clare is a Vietnam veteran, having served two tours of duty as a Seabee and officer in charge of construction at remote in-country locations. He and his wife, Jini, have two daughters and live in Naperville.



Clark Delanois

Clark Delanois is a vice president and managing director at The Northern Trust Company. As part of the Illinois-West Region senior leadership team, he manages trust, investment services and private banking at the Schaumburg financial center. Delanois joined Northern Trust in 1994.

Before joining Northern Trust, Delanois worked at NBD Bank (now JP Morgan) in a variety of commercial banking assignments and managing a number of corporate relationships.

Delanois graduated from the University of Illinois, College of Business. He received his trust certificate from the Cannon Financial Institute and holds the designation of CTP with the Association for Financial Professionals.

He is active within the community and is a board member for the University of Illinois-Business School, New Coalition, Destiny Outreach, Roosevelt University (CAB), the Village of Schaumburg Business Commission and the Chicago Community Trust-Professional Advisory Committee (PAC). He is a past board member for the Young Executive Club, Inc. and PFS Diversity Council.

Delanois and his wife, Roberta, live in Schaumburg and have three children.



Richard X. Fischer

Richard Fischer is vice president, deputy general counsel and chief compliance officer for Sears Holding Corporation and all subsidiaries, including Sears Roebuck and Company, Kmart Corporation, Land's End, Orchard Supply and Hardware and Sears Home Services.

Fischer graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a bachelor of arts in 1983, received a J.D. from Loyola University of Chicago School of Law in 1990 and completed fifteen credits toward an MPH degree with Harvard University.

He is a member of the Ethics Officer Association, Compliance & Ethics Leadership Council, Open Compliance and Ethics Group, and Sears representative for Business for Social Responsibility. He also does regular pro bono representations of individuals in medical insurance coverage disputes.

Fischer and his wife, Jo, have five children and live in Hoffman Estates.

Michael Gilfillan

Mike Gilfillan is the founder and senior principal of Gilfillan Callahan Architects,

Inc., a 40-person architecture firm with offices in Rolling Meadows and Batavia.

He is a graduate of St. Viator High School and received his B.S.A.S., M. Architecture from the University of Illinois, Urbana.

Gilfillan served on the Arlington Heights Park Board from 1987 through 2003. He also was involved with the Illinois Association of Park Districts and received the 2001 Illinois Park Commissioner of the Year Award.

Gilfillan's other community involvement includes prior service as a member of Alexian Brothers Medical Center Building Advisory Committee, Board of Directors of Shelter, Inc., member of the Village of Schaumburg Town Center Commission and Village of Gurnee Plan Commission.

He and his wife, Sue, have lived in Arlington Heights since 1985 and have two college-age children.

Kris Howard Jensen

Dorothy K. ("Kris") Howard Jensen of Inverness has worked with Harper College for several decades. In April she retired from the Board of Trustees and agreed to serve on the Educational Foundation board. A professional fundraiser by trade, she has served in numerous fundraising positions.



Jensen has a bachelor of science in journalism from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University. Over the years, she has served in an array of volunteer positions outside of Harper College including Northwest Community

Healthcare, the Northwest Community Healthcare Foundation, United Way, United Way of Palatine and the United Way of Suburban Chicago, Girl Scouts, Palatine Opportunity Center, Northwest Cultural Council and the Bridge Youth and Family Services.

She is the recipient of several honors including the Woman of Achievement Award from the State of Illinois, the Sears Distinguished Leader Award, The Juliette Low Medal from the Girl Scouts of the USA (for leadership in international Girl Scouting) and the Woman of Achievement Award from the Northwest Cook County Girl Scout Council.

Jensen's three grown children live in California, Colorado and Illinois. She has two grandchildren, Sarah and Eliza. Kris is married to John K. Jensen.

Memorial

Harold Cunningham, one of the original deans at Harper College, died in April 2005 at the age of 72. A world traveler with a passion for adventure and mathematics, Cunningham served Harper College for more than 30 years as professor of mathematics and assistant dean. He was hired as an assistant dean of career programs in 1967 and within two years he had helped add more than 20 career and vocational programs at Harper. He supported numerous scholarships at Harper, which benefited students and faculty.

Cunningham initiated and supported the Harold Cunningham Memorial Endowed Scholarship and the Cunningham Mathematics Faculty Award, which are available for students and faculty.

"Harold was a very intelligent man, who greatly cared about Harper and particularly our math faculty and students, as demonstrated by his generous annual support of math faculty awards and an endowed gift for math students. Harold's love of Harper College and his passion for his students' educational experiences and mathematics will continue in perpetuity because of the legacy he created in establishing scholarships that will benefit deserving students," said Educational Foundation Executive Director Catherine Brod. ■

The purpose of life is a life of purpose.

Robert Byrne

Score for Excellence

2005 Golf Open raises more than \$60,000 to support Harper's Resource for Excellence Fund

Thanks to the support of **Trespa North America, Ltd.**, golfers teed off at Boulder Ridge Country Club in Lake in the Hills in June to raise money for the Resource for Excellence Fund. The fund is used to support programs that include scholarships, faculty awards, program development grants, health and safety programs and the cultural arts.



First place winners Cornerstone National Bank & Trust Company.



The UPS foursome stands by the Hole-in-One prize donated by Feeney Chrysler Jeep.

Chaired by **Frank Becker** of UPS and Bob Fiorani of Square D/Schneider Electric, the 2005 Golf Open reunited alumni, donors and friends for an afternoon on the green in celebration of Harper College. Contests and games including longest drive, closest to the pin, straightest drive and the Jiffy Lube Golden Ball Contest were a hit with golfers, who enjoyed a free golf clinic with Boulder Ridge golf professionals and a buffet lunch before the shotgun/scramble start.

Cornerstone National Bank & Trust took home the first place prize after a competitive outing.

The Harper College Educational Foundation would like to thank its underwriters and sponsors for making the 17th Annual Golf Open a success. ■

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Save the date for the 2006 Golf Open on Monday, June 5, 2006, at Boulder Ridge Country Club. For information, please call Heather Engel Zoldak at 847.925.6610.

Oh what a night!

250 attend Jubilee Gala and raise \$70,000 for scholarships

The lecture halls, classrooms, computer stations and labs of Harper's new Avanté, Center for Science, Health Careers and Emerging Technologies, were transformed this spring into a fundraising gala setting like no other in Harper's history. Serenaded by the sounds of the 19-member **Bishop's Choir**, performers from Chicago's House of Blues, and **Brulé**, a Native American Indian contemporary band, 250 guests mingled with faculty members and toured the state-of-the-art center while raising \$70,000 for student scholarships in the fields of science, health and technology.

Jubilee sponsors **Alexian Brothers Hospital Network** and **Northwest Community Healthcare** are closely connected to the programs and services offered at Avanté and supported the memorable event. "Harper has been our main source of nurses and more recently of cardiac and radiology technicians," said co-chair **Kathy Reno**, vice president of clinical services for Northwest Community Healthcare.

A gift from the Jubilee's third sponsor, **Kimball Hill Homes**, was the impetus for the event. Their donation last summer from the **David and Diane Hill Family Fund of the Homebuilding Community Foundation** helped to purchase Jubilee, the 40-foot stainless steel sculpture by **Bruce White** of DeKalb that is now located at the Avanté entrance. Calling attention to the spacious building and state-of-the-art classrooms during the event, **David Hill** of Kimball Hill Homes said, "Wouldn't you be proud to be a student here?"

The evening was a testament to the philanthropic spirit of Harper's long-time supporters and sponsors, who have participated in the campus' growth and the success of Harper students. ■



Jubilee co-chairs Kelley Clancy and Kathy Reno in Avanté's new Dental Hygiene Clinic.

The Harper College Educational Foundation thanks the following donors for their support of Jubilee:

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Jubilee guests are welcomed by Dr. Robert Breuder.

Scholarship Convocation

The Harper College Convocation is a significant event in the lives of many Harper students. It celebrates the accomplishments of Harper students who have received scholarships and awards during the 2004-2005 academic year. The Foundation extends its congratulations to these scholars and appreciation to the donors who make these scholarships and awards possible!

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Sarah Miter

Barrington Breakfast Rotary Club Scholarship

Yosimar Albavera

Stephen Boettcher Memorial Engineering Scholarship

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Yuk Lai
Isabelle Othman

Lou Buchenot Scholarship

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Goldie Prasad
Taras Vovk

Diane Tomcheff Callin Endowed Memorial Scholarship

Meagan Cozzi

Eugenia S. Chapman Memorial Endowment Scholarship

Nicole Eppinger

Jean B. Chapman International Student Scholarship Fund

Cheon Joo Yoon

Eugenia S. Chapman Memorial Endowment Scholarship

Thomas Gilboy
Jeffrey Urban

Chicago Film Critics Association

Mathias Kettler

Chicago Chapter of Society CPCU Scholarship

Goldie Prasad

Chicago North West Suburban Chapter of the CPCU Society

Goldie Prasad

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Asaf Arevalo
Melanie Brew
Lynne Brown
Brittney Donald
Alex Dupuy
Greg Firak
Michelle Krupski
Jorge Lopez
Peter Merkelz
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Irving Morales
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Darra Wiencek
Jimmy Bruno-Danko
Jedd Lim
Krystn Rilloraz
Oscar Rilloraza
David Gopanchuk
Noah Yosif
Zane Yosif
Douglas Lee

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Roxana Maldonado
Izabella Reyfman
Lana Stevanovic

Marilyn Shiely Coste Memorial Scholarship

Mariana Semerdjieva

Criminal Justice Scholarship

Jacob Strickler

Harold Cunningham Mathematics Memorial Scholarship

Katie Hoppe
Marina Judice
Gabriela Sloan

Ronald Dourlet Memorial Scholarship

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GED Graduate Scholarship

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Vanessa Gonzalez

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Vanessa Fuentes
Mark Hoss
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Harper 512 IEA/NEA Association Scholarship

Christopher McCarthy
Scott Shanahan

Harper Nursing Student Endowment Scholarship

Shahina Ali
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Marnina Patrick
Shelley Zeiger

Illinois Health Improvement Association Scholarship

Jasvir Kaur

Illinois CPA Society–O'Hare Chapter –Scholarship

Christina Fortney

Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts Scholarship

Francesco Fiorentino
Maureen Golden
Peter Janura
James Kalcsits
Braden Klausung
Michael Lyjak
Ryan Rickert
Michael Sedlmayer
Martin Wise
Zachary Edwards

International Air Cargo Association of Chicago Scholarship

James Barkoozis

JBM Endowed Scholarship Fund

Roger Muhs

Nils Andrew Johnson Memorial Culinary Arts Scholarship

Anthony Zenez

Roy G. Kearns Memorial Scholarship

Patrick Burns

Beverly Kiss Memorial Scholarship

Tracy Broughton
Cathleen Kelly

Latinos Unidos Student Organization Scholarship

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Sharlene Marchiori Memorial Nursing Scholarship

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Northrop Grumman Engineering Scholarship

Vlad Avesalon

Northrop Grumman Engineering Scholarship (2+1)

Daniel Moussa

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Christina Fortney

Glenn A. Reich Computer Science Scholarship Endowment

Oleksandr Tkachenko
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Cynthia Gliniewicz

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Margaret Scott Memorial Math Scholarship

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Sears Fashion Merchandising Scholarship

Marina Vranes

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William Simpson Memorial Wheeling Rotary Endowed Scholarship for the Northeast Center

Serah Altun

Midge C. Smith Memorial Scholarship

Katy Elkin

Speech Team Scholarship

Summer Kasak
Ashur Kando

Square D Engineering Endowed Scholarship (2+1)

David Gleissner

Student Leader Endowed Scholarship

Roxana Batea
Trisha Fain
Nayeli Valentinéz
Amanda Nielsen
Eugenia Mata
Megan Julien

Student Trustee Award

Joe Plazak

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Karen Heldt
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Board Member Recognition

Farewell to Friends

The Educational Foundation bids farewell to four members of its board who retired after three consecutive terms of service. Martha Bell, Dick Guttman, Tom MacCarthy and Don Torisky have served Harper College for 52 years combined. We wish to express deep appreciation and gratitude for the distinguished stewardship and outstanding service of Martha, Dick, Tom and Don.

Martha Bell started her volunteer life at Harper in 1991. She spent many years as president of the board, where she elevated and strengthened the professional infrastructure of the Harper College Educational Foundation. Bell was active on many Foundation committees and guided the Art Committee for many years. Bell's active participation and dedication to Harper and her devotion to build the art collection on campus has resulted in a collection that is the largest in the Northwest suburbs.

Dick Guttman, who began his volunteer service at Harper in 1994, is a recipient of the James J. McGrath Award. Guttman was instrumental in creating a supportive,

vital partnership between Harper College and Square D, which engendered an engineering scholarship and the growth of Women Make History Month while heralding the company's good name throughout the College.

Tom MacCarthy, who is active in many community organizations and has won the Sears Distinguished Leader Award and James J. McGrath Award, was recognized by Dr. Robert Breuder and Catherine Brod for his "exemplary leadership." MacCarthy began volunteering at Harper in 1993. He has chaired numerous committees and events including the Director's Circle Committee and the Harvest Ball.

Don Torisky joined Harper in 1990 as a member of the Educational Foundation board. Torisky influenced many major gifts during his years of volunteer service to Harper. He won the James J. McGrath Award in 1996 because of his excellent community service with institutions such as Northwest Community Healthcare and the Northwest Cultural Council. Torisky's legacy of major gift fundraising has raised the bar for all levels of fundraising at Harper and demonstrated the power of giving. ■

Richard Hoffman is awarded the James J. McGrath Award for his outstanding service to Harper College

Created by former Harper College President James McGrath as a tribute to people who have unselfishly given time, effort and funds to uphold excellence at Harper College, the James J. McGrath award recipient of 2005-2006 is



Richard Hoffman. Harper President **Dr. Robert Breuder** presented Hoffman with his award at the 2005 convocation ceremony remarking, "Richard Hoffman has played a very special role in the

growth of Harper College through his service on the Educational Foundation board of directors."

Hoffman is the president and co-owner of Atomic Mechanical Services. He lives in Arlington Heights with his wife, Kathy. They have two sons, Mike and Steve.

He was elected to the Harper Board of Trustees after nine years of service on the Foundation board. During his tenure with the Foundation, Hoffman served in numerous leadership roles as president of the board, chair of the golf outing fundraiser and major gifts committee.

"A valuable lesson that I have learned in my life is that you can find true happiness in helping others. It is not the things that we accumulate in life that really makes us happy. It is in the giving back to help others and in helping our communities that most people find true happiness," Hoffman said upon receiving the award.

The Educational Foundation congratulates Richard Hoffman on his 2004-2005 James J. McGrath award. ■



Dr. Robert Breuder, Tom MacCarthy, Martha Bell, Don Torisky. (Dick Guttman not present.)

Retiring Board of Trustees

Kris Howard Jensen and Richard Kolze have 36 years of service on the Harper Board of Trustees between them. Stories from their collective network of friends, colleagues and institutional memories could fill several volumes of a book. Both Jensen and Kolze accepted honorary awards at their final board meeting in April and attended a special farewell reception earlier in the month.

Both Jensen and Kolze will remain involved on campus through their generous stewardship of the endowed scholarships they created: the Dr. Ernest B. and Mrs. D. Kris Howard Endowment for Community Service Scholarship and the Timothy A. Kolze Memorial Endowment Scholarship.

Jensen and Kolze recently shared reflections on their Harper College years with friends and colleagues.

"I enjoyed my work with Harper College," said Richard Kolze. "I always think of Harper as a special resource in the community that offers wonderful, life changing experiences to students of all ages including single moms, kids, adults re-entering the work force and people who need a second chance at an education."

Kolze and his wife established the Timothy A. Kolze Memorial Scholarship in memory of their son who was killed in a car accident. Their \$25,000 gift endowed the scholarship, which "memorializes and honors Tim, who loved to work with his hands." The fund benefits students who are enrolled in vocational courses at Harper.



Richard Kolze and Kris Howard Jensen served a combined 36 years as Harper College Trustees.

I always think of Harper as a special resource to the community— a place that can offer wonderful, life changing experiences to every kind of student.

Richard Kolze

Jensen started her volunteer work at Harper College when the campus was more pasture and prairie grass than classrooms and labs. "I think the biggest change over the 24 years was watching the College evolve from a two-year institution, which primarily provided academic courses leading to an associate degree and transfer to a four-year institution, into a truly comprehensive community college," Jensen said.

Jensen created a scholarship fund in memory of her late husband, Dr. Ernest B. Howard. "The Ernest B. and Kris Howard Endowed Scholarship for Community Service was established as a memorial to my late husband at the time of his death in 1993. The idea of those who established it was to give the scholarship to students involved in the leadership or honors programs that require community service," said Jensen who continues to contribute to the fund. ■

In looking to the future, I hope the College will continue to be innovative in addressing the changing needs of a diverse population and an evolving world economy. Tradition should always be honored, but it should not become a straight jacket.

Kris Howard Jensen

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