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Kris Howard-Jensen receives the James J. McGrath Award



Kris Howard-Jensen, recipient of the James J. McGrath Award

This award was started by former Harper College president, James J. McGrath, as a tribute to those special people who have unselfishly given time, effort and funds to uphold the excellence of the institution. The recipient is a member of the community that demonstrates the importance of community service.

During James J. McGrath's time as president of Harper College, he spent Sundays with group of students he would invite into his home. Over a pot of tea, he would share with them his love of Shakespeare through discussion and oral readings. For James' former colleagues and family, his legacy is the memories of those shared moments, the academic excellence he promoted at the

college and how he turned the former horse farm and riding stable in Palatine into an inviting campus with the 500 trees he had planted.

Over his tenure as president, McGrath focused on increasing Harper's academic reputation and started an academic convocation that was held before commencement to recognize high-achieving students. Which is why, the recipient of the James J. McGrath award is asked to deliver a speech at Convocation.

The 2010 James J. McGrath Award was presented to Kris Howard-Jensen who has had a long association with Harper College. She was appointed to, and chaired, a women's advisory committee to the college which was established by the first president, Dr. Lahti. In 1981 she was elected a Trustee of Harper College and served in this position for 24 years until she chose not to run for reelection in 1987. During her time on the Board she chaired it twice. Since then she has served on the Board of Directors of the Harper College Educational Foundation.

Excerpt from Kris Howard-Jensen's Convocation speech...

Thank you. I am greatly honored and humbled to receive the James McGrath award, particularly knowing the distinguished company I am in with those who have received the award previously. It is especially meaningful to me because I knew and worked closely with President McGrath. I know how hard he worked to establish high academic standards here at Harper so that you students would be truly challenged in your studies. He also

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Rita and John Canning Women's Program at Harper College



Left to right: Jeff Butterfield, Rita Canning, John Canning

For 39 years the Women's Program at Harper College has been providing important services to women in the community. Approximately 65 percent of clients are victims of domestic violence seeking to gain financial independence for themselves and their children. The program has received numerous awards and commendations for its success in exceeding goals and was cited by the Illinois Department of Labor as a 'Model Program' in 2007.

In this challenging economy, the program has seen a 25 percent increase in requests for education, personal support, career planning and job search resources. While demand for services has significantly increased, the economy has negatively impacted funding from the State that has been the mainstay of supporting counseling and educational resources.

The John and Rita Canning Women's Program Scholarship will be awarded for the first time during the 2010–2011 academic year. In addition, a portion of the Canning's gift supports the creation of a domestic violence prevention faculty fellows program, involving faculty from academic disciplines across campus to incorporate domestic violence awareness and prevention information into their curriculum and integrate these lessons into their teaching experience with Harper students.

"We are strong believers in empowering women to soar to great heights, both professionally and emotionally. For many women, Harper College makes this possible by providing affordable educational opportunities to those who otherwise might not have had the chance," states Rita Canning.

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To date, a total of 12 additional scholarships have been established through the generosity of donors through the Harper College Educational Foundation that focus on providing scholarship assistance for the more than 500 annual participants of the Rita and John Canning Women's Program at Harper College.

They include:

- 100 Influential Women Scholarship
- AAUW Audrey Tjepkema Memorial Fund
- Displaced Homemakers Scholarship
- Jean Black Women in Careers Scholarship
- Kathleen N. Graber Scholarship
- Royal American Displaced Homemakers Scholarship
- Sonya Leicht Women's Program Scholarship
- Women's Program Scholarship
- Drs. Shirley and Lester Lansky Endowed Scholarship for Health and Science
- Hohol Family Endowment
- Billington-Norton Women's Program Scholarship
- Philip and Claudette Lobo Endowed Scholarship for Displaced Homemakers

Domestic Violence Awareness Faculty Fellow Program

In 2008, a grant from Rita and John Canning enabled the development of a faculty fellow program in the area of domestic violence awareness through curriculum development and delivery at Harper College.

Faculty from all academic disciplines across Harper College submit proposals for projects during the fall semester. If selected, the faculty member receives a stipend to use toward their research and education to develop curriculum for implementation the following fall. ■

Faculty fellows include:

2010–2011 Faculty Fellows

- Crystal Paunan, Instructor, Nursing
- Carole Bomba, Associate Professor, Nursing

2009–2010 Faculty Fellows

- Mary Hood, Instructor, Radiologic Technology
- Geri Kale-Smith, MS, CMA, Associate Professor
- Joan Carlson, Associate Professor, Nursing

100 Influential Women

One year after the launching the 100 Influential Women initiative to support the John and Rita Canning Women's Program, the group of supporters and invited guests will reconvene on September 30, 2010 to celebrate and recognized for their strong commitment to women's benefiting the John and Rita Canning Women's Program.

The 100 Influential Women are individuals and organizations who stand together in support of this very significant service to women in our community. Funds from the 100 Influential Women Campaign support scholarships for women served by the Rita and John Canning Women's Program at Harper College. ■

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10TH ANNUAL Jim McGuire Memorial Golf Outing & Scholarship Fund



2010 Jim McGuire Golf outing attendees

Ten years ago a small group of employees from Accenture formed a memorial golf outing to honor their colleague and friend who was killed suddenly in a car accident. With the proceeds, they established the Jim McGuire Endowed Scholarship at Harper College. This awarded to students studying computers or business.

"Harper Community College represents everything that Jim was about and this continues to be a great way to remember Jim. Jim's true love was teaching and by establishing this scholarship program, we're ensuring that Jim's dream continues on. On Tuesday, September 14th, we're holding the 10th annual golf outing to have some fun in Jim's name, while also contributing to the scholarship fund."

Today, The Jim McGuire Endowed Scholarship continues to serve as a living testament to the successful, teacher and friend Jim was. Over the past ten years the donations to the Jim McGuire Scholarship have

grown to significant levels that in 2010 a student will have a full semester of tuition paid by the scholarship award. Since 2004 when the first scholarship was awarded the program has provided more than \$6,000 in support to students.

Jim's colleagues, friends and family members remember his spirit and energy for life by the creation of this scholarship in his honor. Harper students studying computers and business will forever benefit through the Jim McGuire Endowed Scholarship program. ■



Left to right: Lane Moyer, Harper Foundation Board President; Cathy Brod, Executive Director; Maria Sanchez, 2010 Jim McGuire Scholarship recipient; Kurt Olson, Director of Capability Solutions Accenture.

Save the Date!

Harper College Educational Foundation upcoming events

2010 Distinguished Alumni
November 1, 2010

Arts on Campus
Fine arts Auction
February 26, 2011

Evita Theater Reception
March 18, 2011

Small Works
Art Show Reception
April 14, 2011

Harper 23rd Annual
Golf Outing
June 13, 2011

2010 Golf Outing is a Winner for Harper Students

The Inverness Golf Club was filled with golfers and friends for the 22nd Annual Harper College Educational Foundation Golf Outing.

Chairs Michael Bohn (Gilbane Building Company) and Tom Johnson (Retired Dean, Harper College) and their committee were pleased to have sold out the outing with 118 golfers joining for the round. Nearly 130 guests participated in the dinner and awards program, which featured Foundation scholarship recipient Katarzyna Grzesik. A non-traditional age student, Katarzyna moved to the United States in 2002, leaving her family and friends behind in hopes to pursue her dream of becoming a fashion designer. She was living in Chicago when she heard about Harper's fashion design program. After researching the program,



Marty Hanna, George Powers and Jim Sandelin from Square D/Schneider Electric.



Left to right: Frank Pavlica, Jeff Boundy, Mike Moorman, Jeff Butterfield

she decided to move to Palatine so she could be closer to Harper—what she calls a “hidden treasure”—and take advantage of the full college experience. Katarzyna is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and currently has a 3.97 GPA.

The outing raised more than \$82,000 towards the Resource for Excellence Fund supporting student scholarships and programming emerging from the ‘Building Community through Student Success’ initiative. ■

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The Gift That Keeps On Giving

Endowed funds differ from others in that they are truly the gift that keeps giving. Instead of the entire amount of the gift being spent outright, the total amount of the gift is invested. Each year, only a portion of the invested income earned is spent while the remainder is added to the original principal. An endowment is a perpetual gift because only the interest is used to support student scholarships while the principle continuously grows. Always equated with excellence and long-term strength, endowments are absolutely essential if we are to remain a leader in education in the community. It is a great way to link your legacy with our future in perpetuity.

David K. Hill Memorial Scholarship

The memory of David K. Hill continues to prosper with the David K. Hill Memorial Scholarship.

Following Mr. Hill's death, a scholarship was established in his honor and memory. Family, friends, colleagues, and acquaintances were instrumental in establishing one of the Colleges most prestigious science scholarships a student can achieve. The efforts in establishing the David K. Hill endowed scholarship fund will ensure current students benefit by the impact David left and will make a difference in future students educational dreams.



Left to right: Jeff Butterfield, Foundation Board; Joe Wachter, Harper Chemistry Instructor; Amit Patel, Scholarship recipient; Diane Hill, Harper Board of Trustee President; Kenneth L. Ender, Ph.D., President of Harper College.

This year the scholarship was awarded to Amit Patel. Who demonstrated exemplary achievements in the areas of academics and community service.

Amit Patel is a Chemistry major at Harper College. He currently holds a 4.0GPA. Amit's goal is to continue his education and receive a Master's Degree and pursue a science field in which he will be able to help others. He is considering the field of energy research or medical research to find ways to make more

affordable medications. He is incredibly hard working and has a great passion for science. Although he has had to overcome many challenges, he continues to excel academically and give back to the community. Amit is an impressive individual who is very dedicated to his academic pursuits and will represent the legacy left by David K. Hill. ■

Informational Seminar Series in its 2nd Year

A free, informational seminar series is underway - offered monthly as a public service by industry professionals to the Harper community. Sessions cover a myriad of planning topics and are delivered by members of the Foundation's Harper Heritage Committee — volunteers who have professional expertise in the areas of estate planning, law, financial planning, income tax, accounting, insurance, and real estate. Future sessions include:

- November 17 at 7 p.m. and November 18 at 12 p.m. – **Estate Planning for Second Marriages**
- December 8 at 7 p.m. – **Income Tax Strategies**
- January 19 at 7 p.m. and January 20 at 12 p.m. – **Market Update and Outlook**

- February 23 at 7 p.m. and February 24 at 12 p.m. – **Estate Tax Update: Impact on Legacy Planning**
- March 16 at 7 p.m. and March 17 at 12 p.m. – **Real Estate in Turbulent Times: What Every Buyer/Seller Should Know**
- April 13 at 7 p.m. and April 14 at 12 p.m. – **Charitable Gifting: What to Know when Making a Difference**
- May 4 at 7 p.m. and May 5 at 12 p.m. – **End of Life Issues: Ethical Wills, Advanced Directives and Family Discussion**

To Register for one or more of these sessions, please go to Harper's website,

harpercollege.edu/foundation – Free Seminar Series, or call the Foundation Office at 847.925.6490.

Patrick Botterman Scholarship – Joseph O'Malley

Joseph O'Malley, a graduate of Elk Grove High School, was chosen as the first recipient of the Patrick Botterman Scholarship for Student Leadership.

The scholarship was established by the Botterman Family and friends in memory of Patrick Botterman, a former member of the Harper College Board of Trustees and Foundation Board who passed away unexpectedly in 2008. Mr. Botterman was a tireless advocate for making education affordable and accessible to the people of the Northwest suburbs and played a major role in Harper's success and growth over the past ten years.

Joseph's goal is to use his education to make a difference in the world. He will be attending Illinois State University next fall to become a Spanish teacher. He hopes to help students learn the Spanish language to help bridge the communication gap in the United States. ■



Left to right: Jeff Butterfield, Foundation Board; Marian Botterman,; Kevin Botterman; Joseph O'Malley, Scholarship recipient; Mike Botterman, Katie Botterman; Kenneth L. Ender, Ph.D., President of Harper College

*Find out how you can contribute to the scholarship program
or endow a scholarship. "Every dollar donated is a gift for the future." Contact the
Harper College Educational Foundation staff at 847.925.6490.*

Kris Howard Jensen receives the James J. McGrath Award

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emphasized the need for the college to have close ties to the communities we serve and the need to provide educational programs that truly met the changing needs of the people and institutions here in the northwest suburbs.

It is also a special honor to address you students tonight. You all have taken a great step forward by earning an Associate degree or Certificate from Harper College with distinction. I hope you take pleasure in your achievement and enjoy this moment of recognition. . . .

Volunteering is valuable, not only to the people and organizations which you help, but also to you personally. You will continue to grow and learn and be rewarded for your

services by the satisfaction you feel when people are helped in myriad ways. Personally, it is enormously gratifying to me to see all of you high achievers here at Harper. . . . students, faculty and administrators. . . and to see the positive difference you are making in so many ways. And you can imagine how exciting it is to me as I drive by the campus today when I remember it 40 years ago when it was a horse pasture!

So go forth, continue aiming for high achievement, and build a better world!

Kris Howard-Jensen is truly deserving of the James J. McGrath Award for her dedication and commitment to Harper College. ■

Distinguished Alumni Program

We are proud to be celebrating the third year of the Distinguished Alumni Program. With over forty years of Alumni the Distinguished Alumni program was established as a means to celebrate the accomplishments and achievements of our graduates. The nomination criteria for the program includes;

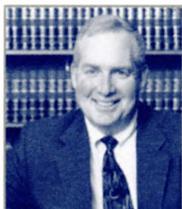
- Having attended Harper College and completed at least two credit courses.
- Have made notable career moves and shown professional growth within their chosen field.
- Demonstrated leadership and/or active volunteering and made a positive impact in the community.



Bruce R. Gaitsch



Andy-John G.
Kalkounos



William F. Kelly



Shannon L. Plate



Todd R. Mussell



Jacob H. Sadoff



Daniel W. Untch

2010 Distinguished Alumni Honorees

Bruce R. Gaitsch

Internationally known guitarist and songwriter

Bruce Gaitsch has written, recorded and performed with many artists from around the world, including Celine Dione, Elton John, Barbara Streisand, Kenny Rogers and Peter Cetera – to name a few. He has written two number 1 songs, including “La Isla Bonita” written for Madonna’s “True Blue” record. This song won Bruce an ASCAP most performed award in 1987 and has been number 1 in over 24 countries. The second number 1 song was “Don’t Mean Nothing” by Richard Marx. Another big hit was “Right Here Waiting” by Richard Marx.

Bruce has his own recording studio in Nashville where he records many of his own albums. Other artists and groups featuring Bruce on their records and albums have also recorded at his studio.

Andy-John G. Kalkounos

Managing Partner: Chicago Prime Steakhouse

Owner: Kalkounos & Associates: Boutique Executive Search Firm

Managing Broker: Chicago Prime Realty & Development Corp.

Andy-John G. Kalkounos began his association with Harper when he took piano lessons as a young child. Upon graduating from Butler University with a marketing degree, Andy-John returned to Harper and performed in three Harper Ensemble Theatre Company shows. He then earned his Real Estate Broker’s license through Harper and continues to take many professional development courses at the College.

Following college, Andy-John worked for Aerotek, a national staffing company, before opening his own recruiting firm, Kalkounos & Associates, in 1998. Kalkounos & Associates continues to thrive and serve clients like Motorola and AT&T in their human resources and staffing needs.

In 2000, Andy-John became the Managing Partner with his father George at the Chicago Prime Steakhouse in Schaumburg. Chicago Prime Steakhouse is the recipient of many

awards including the “Best Steak” and “Best Wine List” in Chicago from City Search and Open Table.com.

His Harper Real Estate Brokerage license has allowed him to expand into new business ventures in both the Northwest suburbs and city of Chicago.

Andy-John’s strong commitment to Harper College includes serving on the Harper College Educational Foundation Directors Circle Committee, which raises money for scholarships and educational programs.

Andy-John represents the thousands of Harper alumni who have taken advantage of the many opportunities the college has to offer, coming to campus to sharpen skills, enrich themselves as human beings, or prepare for a new career path.

William F. Kelley
Managing Partner of Kelley & Kelley
Board Member, Harper College Board of Trustees

Bill Kelley attended Harper College in 1973 upon graduation from St. Viator High School and went on to earn a BA Cum Laude in Political Science from Loyola University

Chicago in 1977. He completed his Juris Doctor cum laude from Loyola University School of Law in 1980, where he graduated in the top 2% of his class and served as an editor of the Loyola Law Journal. He also received the American Jurisprudence Award in 1980.

Bill Kelley has a strong commitment to Harper College and to the community. Currently he serves on the Harper College Board of Trustees, Schaumburg Park District Foundation, St. Hubert Finance Board, Advisory Board to the Northwest Suburban Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and the Board of Governors to the Northwest Suburban Bar Association. He is active in the Schaumburg Hoffman Estates Rotary Club and has served on numerous civic and community boards, including Past Chair of the Kenneth Young Center.

Todd R. Mussell
Director of Global Sourcing and Supply Chain, BAE Systems

Todd Mussell has a long and distinguished career in the manufacturing industry. Over the last 25 years, he has worked for many companies in various areas, which include engineering, marketing, quality, product development, supply chain and business development. In 2005, he became General Manager of Body Armor for what today is BAE Systems.

Outside of work, Todd received a Private Pilots License to fulfill a lifelong aviation interest. His aviation interests have led him to work for defense companies, focusing on force protection products and programs. With his work on defense programs, he has been honored by the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy for outstanding contributions to the protection of Army and Navy aviators. He is also the recipient of numerous outstanding achievement awards from companies he has worked for.

Todd's education includes an A.S. degree from Harper College, a B.S. in Industrial Engineering from the University of Wisconsin – Madison and a Master of Business from Utah State University.

Shannon L. Plate
Self Employed, Licensee Clinical Professional Counselor
Adjunct Professor, Trinity International University

Shannon Plate was a wife and mother of two children when she came to Harper as a returning student in 1996. During her time at Harper, she received numerous awards and recognitions, including the Motorola Award for Excellence, Who's Who Among College Students, the Deans List and Phi Theta Kappa. She graduated with honors in 1999.

After leaving Harper, Shannon went on Roosevelt University earning a Bachelor's degree with honors. She then moved on to Trinity International University, graduating Cum Laude with her Master's degree in counseling psychology. In 2009, Shannon became a licensed clinical professional counselor and now runs a successful individual, marriage and budget counseling practice in Palatine, IL. Shannon has done numerous radio guest spots and has appeared on television.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Shannon continues to volunteer at her church, has worked with relief efforts for Hurricane Katrina, and helped with micro-finance in the Dominican Republic.

Jacob H. Sadoff
CEO and Founder, Midwest Gold Buyers

As a Harper student in 1996, Jake Sadoff was a successful competitor on the Harper Speech Team. Even after transferring to Northern Illinois University, Jake still remained part of the "Harper College Speech Team Family," using his talent to help Harper students write their speeches, create their characters and polish their delivery. To this day, he donates countless hours of his time in order to help the students and coaches accomplish their tasks during the season.

Jake Sadoff is also a successful business owner. After graduating from NIU, he and his twin brother Jordan opened JS Enterprises

which specialized in the trading of collectible toys. For the past ten years, he and Jordan have built the business from the ground up. In 2008, as the collectible toy industry faded with the economy, they converted their business into Schaumburg-based Midwest Gold Buyers. With more than 40 stores, they currently are the largest gold buyers in the Chicago-land area.

For more than 10 years, Jake has given of himself to the students at Harper through countless hours of volunteering and financial support. Through the Harper College Educational Foundation, Jake has created and funded the "Harper College Speech and Debate Alumni Scholarship, which provides \$1,000 of financial assistance each year to a member of the College's speech and debate team.

Daniel W. Untch
Corporate Vice President of Compliance Operations, CVS Caremark and Vice President of Compliance of Minute Clinic

Daniel Untch received his Associates degree from Harper College in 1973. He went on to receive a B.A. in Sociology from Governors State University and M.S. in Healthcare Administration from the University of St. Francis.

After being self-employed for 10 years (he started his own retail music and studio business in 1978, which was eventually sold at profit and is still in existence near the Harper campus today), Daniel began a career in the corporate world working his way up from an accounts receivable clerk at a hospital to a corporate vice president at a Fortune 18 company influencing the lives of 220,000 employees through compliance and integrity training, the publication of a Code of Conduct and various other Compliance Program initiatives. ■

Executive Director's Column



This past year has been one of excitement and change. We celebrated the closing of our successful "Project Tomorrow Campaign" exceeding our \$7.0 million goal by raising \$8.3 million to support student scholarships and programs. Additionally, we welcomed our new college president, Dr. Ken Ender, with a series of events in a week of engagement with our community in the fall and a President's Ball in the spring.

Excitement and change continues this year with new leadership for the foundation. Over the past year we have recruited 10 new board members and elected a new slate of officers with Lane Moyer, heading the slate, as our new foundation president. With change and collective momentum comes the opportunity for a new focus and priorities. President Ender and Board of Trustees have engaged the community in establishing new strategic directions through the "Building Community through Student Success" initiative.

We are pleased that so many of you have been a part of the welcoming and transition activities and events and look forward to further engaging you in the Student Success agenda in the coming months. If you would like to view these on the College's website go to harpercollege.edu.

This fall the Foundation Board will coincide with these focuses with updating the strategic plan for the Educational Foundation.

This groundwork will help to set the direction for future fund raising efforts and support our future needs.

This will be a very exciting year for the Foundation and I am looking forward to identifying ways we can continue to support the directions and goals of the College funding opportunities and support innovate program seed funding, K-12 programs for college readiness, and reaching and engaging our increasingly diverse students in our community.

We look forward to working with you over the year!



Catherine M. Brod
Chief Advancement Officer,
Harper College
Executive Director,
Harper College Educational Foundation

Harper Education Foundation Focus On Enhancing Students Success

Question & Answer – Cathy Brod

Q The initiative "Building Community Through Student Success" outlines goals to inspire students to seek postsecondary opportunities, decrease student achievement gaps, and increase the number of certificate and degree completers.

How do the resources of the Educational Foundation help support this initiative?

A The Educational Foundation supports the vision and directions set forth by Dr. Ender through a multitude of venues.

- a. The support of innovative and creative projects that enhance student academic and/or cultural experiences; renewal of faculty and staff; increase the interrelationship between the community and the College.
- b. Solicitation of support through community businesses, organization and donors for specific projects and programs identified within the College as needing funding.

- c. The development and support of community partners whose mission and purpose fulfill the mission of "Building Community Through Student Success." This include the Palatine Opportunity Center, resource for the Choice Scholars Institute and R.E.A.C.H.

Resource for Excellence Grants

The Harper College Educational Foundation encourages innovation and creativity among faculty, staff and recognized student groups soliciting financial support for projects that support the mission and purpose of Harper College. The priority focus is to support those activities which: enhance student academic and/or cultural experiences; renewal of faculty and staff; increase the interrelationship between the community and the College.

The Reach Bridge Program provides new Harper students a head start on their freshman year through a FREE two-week summer program. R.E.A.C.H. (Retention Efforts for Academic Completion at Harper), allows them to make a smooth transition from high school to college.

Another program the Resource for Excellence Grants supports is the Choice Scholars Institute (CSI) which focuses on preparing young people for college and ensuring they can be successful once they enter Harper College. CSI is an interdisciplinary and interdivisional initiative dedicated to promotion college readiness by providing academic enrichment program for at-risk students, partnering with fellow educators and introducing students to learning strategies that ensure they are able to meet the challenges of the college environment.

Q Increase completion and achievement of an increasingly diverse student body is another goal of the College. How do the more than 120 student scholarships available help to achieve this goal?

A We have scholarships available to students that range from academic achievement, first generation college students, and financial need. The goal of the Harper College Educational Foundation is to ensure all students are given an opportunity to attend college despite their limitations or road blocks. We would like remove any and all road blocks to achieve academic success.

An example of some of the scholarship that support diversity include:

Donald and Patricia Torisky Endowment Fund, Shirley Gross Moore Endowment Fund Kolbusz-Kosan Endowed Scholarship, and Hill Deaf Institute.

Q Engage in partnerships to develop programs in existing and emerging career areas that enable students to succeed in a global economy is another goal of the College. How has individual and corporate donors helped to further student success in these areas?

A Harper College offers a wide range of academic options. In addition, we have developed partnerships with local organizations, businesses, hospitals, and government entities. Through these relationships we are able to foster new and innovative approaches to delivering the curriculums. Some examples include our Heath Careers Nursing Program new simulate hospital program. This real life setting allows students to learn and experience real job situations as they would on the job in a local hospital.

In addition we offer scholarships that assist with specific career areas such as;

Timothy A. Kolze Memorial Endowment Scholarship (vocational programs), Justin Hart Memorial Scholarship (Criminal Justice courses), Radiologic Technology Scholarship for working students, and Sears Fashion Merchandising Scholarship.

Q Harper College has been very involved in Career Stimulus programs for those community members who have lost their jobs. Does the Educational Foundation offer scholarship opportunities for adults who are seeking new careers, training, or certificate completion?

A The Education Foundation provides a Resource Excellence Grant for the Career Stimulus Programs. Through the Stimulus Programs Harper College offers a free month network group for individuals impacted by the economy or corporation downsizing.

In addition, many donors have established designated scholarship programs to help transition in to a new career or receive additional training to re-enter the work environment. Some of these programs include; Women in careers, Cheryl M. Dwyer Memorial Endowed Scholarship (Cardiac Technology), Betty and Matt Cockrell Endowed Scholarship (for working students).

Q How can an individual, family or corporation become donors to Harper College Educational Foundation?

A Getting involved in the Harper College Educational Foundation is easy. We have information on our website at harpercollege.edu/foundation, or you can call the foundation office at 847. 925.6490, to discuss establishing a scholarship, endowing a scholarship or giving a donation.

In addition, we have monthly and quarterly events sponsored by the Educational Foundation which supports the Harper College students, programs and services. ■

Help Us Go Green!

Reducing the amount of paper is part of the College's ongoing efforts to have a more environmentally friendly and greener campus. Also, as a not-for-profit, taxpayer-supported institution, the College is committed to reducing costs wherever possible.

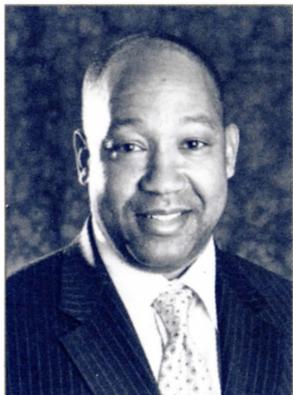
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We strive to ensure a sustainable, healthy college community for future generations of students.



SPOTLIGHT ON

The Harper Educational Foundation Board Members



Richard Wilson Jr.

Richard Wilson is Vice President Foodservice for the Mid West Business Unit (MWB) for Pepsi Beverages Company.

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Previously, he served as the Vice President and General Manager for the Ardea Beverages Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of PepsiAmericas, Inc., a position he was named to in January of 2008. Mr. Wilson developed Ardea's Strategic Outlook, managed the transition into PepsiAmericas and led the revamped marketing campaign (including formula, package and consumer communication). He currently manages the sales and distribution of Nutrisoda through Trudeau Specialty Foods distributor in the Minneapolis metro market and through Amazon.com.

Prior to the Ardea role, Richard was the Vice President and General Manager for the Louisiana Market Unit, which was comprised of 8 locations across Louisiana and Texarkana, Tx. Richard held this position from 2006 to 2008, in the wake of Hurricane Katrina! His primary focus was stabilizing the workforce, rebuilding the GTM structure and delivering Plan. Richard worked with customers and community leaders to drive the Rebirth initiatives for the New Orleans central and South Louisiana trading area.

Richard is active in the local community with Diamond Youth Foundation – Guide Right program for young men and getting them prepared for college. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Richard is married for 22 plus years with two children. Spouse is Lydia. Son and daughter are Brett and Hannah. Richard holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing from the University of South Florida – Go Bulls! ■



Robert P. Stanojev

Robert P. Stanojev retired as a Senior Partner with Ernst & Young Consulting in 2004. During his 32 years with the company, Bob held many executive positions including: US and Global Director of Sales reporting to the company's CEO. As Global Director, he worked with local country executives to build Ernst & Young's presence among large global accounts in Europe, Asia and Latin America, member of the Consulting Executive Committee (a group of 15 partners responsible for the operations of the global consulting business, member of the Partner Advisory Counsel (a group of 30 partners responsible for expressing the interests of Partners to the firms CEO and Management Committee) and Practice Leader for Ernst & Young's Consumer Products Industry group. As Practice Leader, he worked with large programs for clients such as Walgreens, Sara Lee, Coca-Cola, McDonalds, Procter & Gamble, Montgomery Ward, Kimberly Clark, Maytag, Monsanto, Abbott Labs and Chiquita Brands.

From 2002 to 2004 Bob also served as Chairman of the Board of Directors and later as CEO for Alternative Resources Corporation, an information technology services company, located in Barrington, Illinois.

Bob's volunteer activities include serving on the Board of Directors of Big Brothers of Chicago, his Parish School Board and the Board of Barrington Hills Country Club. In addition, he also serves as President of his North Barrington Home Owners Association.

Bob is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and a long time Barrington resident. He and his wife Judy have six children and twelve grandchildren. ■



Silvia Pérez Manetti

Silvia Pérez Manetti, president-elect of WINGS (Women In Need Growing Stronger) has served on their Board of Directors for three years. Before joining the Board, she worked as a volunteer in various capacities within the organization for over five years. Silvia serves on the Executive Committee, Friends of the Safe House Committee, Organizational Development/Personnel Committee, Resale Advisory, and is Chair of the Suburban Latina Advisory. Currently, she is Board Secretary.

Silvia holds an Associate's degree from Harper College, a Bachelor's degree in Accountancy from De Paul University and is a CPA. Silvia also holds a Master of Arts in Teaching degree from National-Louis University and an elementary teaching certificate. She also has Bilingual and English as a Second Language certifications.

Silvia has been a community volunteer over the past 30 years. Most recently, she has been involved with the Latina(o) community as an ESL tutor, early literacy tutor, and domestic violence advocate. Silvia has volunteered her time at various agencies including Family Shelter Service in their Latina Program. For the past five years, Silvia has volunteered at the Arlington Heights Library in their community services department and with the Friends of the Arlington Heights Library.

Silvia lives in Arlington Heights with her husband Louis and son David. Silvia's areas of interest are education and domestic violence, specifically as they affect the Latina(o) community. ■

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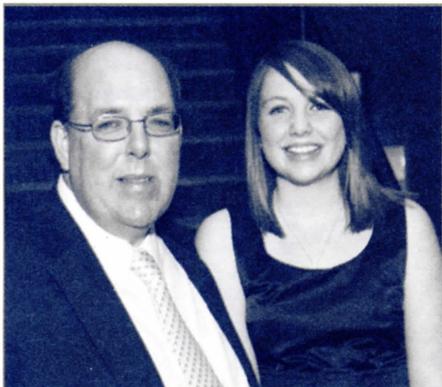
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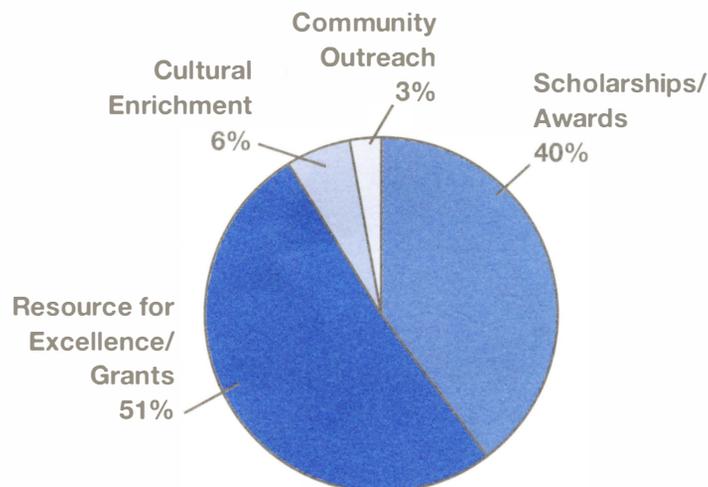
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Motorola Award for Excellence and Amersham Endowed Scholarships

The Motorola Award for Excellence/Amersham Endowed Scholarship committee met on April 23 to review approximately 60 scholarship applications. The recipients of the Motorola Award for Excellence scholarships and the Amersham Endowed Scholarship for 2010/2011 are:



Jeff Butterfield, Foundaion Board; Elyse Jacks, Motorola Award scholarship recipient; Susan Waldman, Foundation Board and Motorola, Inc.; Jazmin Romero, Amersham Scholarship recipient; Kenneth L. Ender, Ph.D. President of Harper College

Motorola Award for Excellence (traditional) – Elyse Jacks

Elyse graduated from Hersey High School in 2009 and is currently in her first year at Harper. She intends to major in Nursing and French and would like to join the Red Cross after receiving her nursing degree and provide medical care in French speaking African countries. She is vice president of the Harper College Honor Society and most recently organized an intergenerational prom at the Lutheran Nursing Home. She is also president of the Harper Environmental Club. In addition to all of her school and community activities, Elyse takes 17–18 credit hours each semester and maintains a 4.0 GPA. She is truly an outstanding student and community leader. ■

Amersham Endowed Scholarship – Jazmin Romero

Jazmin is a nontraditional student. She intends to major in pre-pharmacy and her goal is to receive her PhD in Pharmacy and help Spanish speaking people with their medication needs. She is an active member of the Lupus Foundation of America and Harper's Phi Theta Kappa. She is also a participant of the Women's Program, Harper Honors Program and the Harper Leadership Challenge Program. In addition, Jazmin is a single mom of four children between the ages of 13 and 2. She has a 3.69 GPA. Jazmin impressed the committee with her ability to overcome challenges, balance work, school and family and dedication to Harper and the community. ■

Motorola Award for Excellence (non-traditional) – Katarzyna Grzesik

Katarzyna moved to the United States in 2002, leaving her family and friends behind in hopes to pursue her dream of becoming a fashion designer. She was living in Chicago when she heard about Harper's fashion design program. After doing some research, she decided to move to Palatine so she could

Katarzyna takes advantage of the “full college experience” and calls Harper a “hidden treasure.”

be closer to Harper, what she calls a “hidden treasure” and take advantage of the full college experience. She volunteers her time to help with many community groups and fashion shows including Horacio Nieto Fashion Show at Fashion Focus Chicago and the Harper College Jury Show. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and currently has a 3.97 GPA. Katarzyna impressed the committee with her zest for life and passion to succeed and make the world a better place at the same time. ■

Motorola Distinguished Faculty Award

The Committee selected Dr. Joann Leski, Professor of Nursing, as the Motorola Distinguished Faculty Award recipient for 2010.

Dr. Joanne Leski has been a member of the Harper faculty for the past 20 years.

In 2000, Dr. Leski completed her EdD in Adult Education while a full-time faculty member, in 2005 she was recognized nationally when she was awarded the Certified Nurse Educator credential by the National League for Nursing, and in 2008 she became the Coordinator of the Harper Nursing Program. She has served on the Curriculum Committee and many search committees for her division and she has been the hospital liaison with Northwest Community Hospital and a member of their Patient Safety Committee.

Her impact has included a major role in updating the nursing curriculum, research on using computer technology in nursing education, creating innovative laboratory simulations for students, and facilitating Harper's nursing program accreditation through the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission.

Dr. Leski provides her students with a positive and engaging learning environment. She is known for her professionalism in the classroom and her ability to adapt the learning environment to meet the learning styles of her many students. She was an early adapter to computer technology for classroom presentations, laboratory simulations and communications. She received a grant to improve the medications laboratory experience with drug codes and related electronic bar codes. She has served as a mentor to new faculty, especially adjuncts, and provides guidance and support to her peers.

In a letter to the Dean of Nursing nominating Dr. Leski for the award, her faculty colleagues said of her:

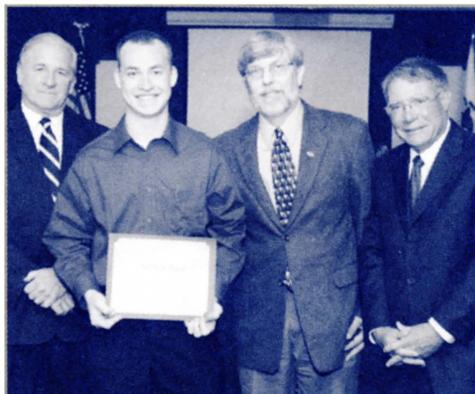
"Dr. Leski truly keeps abreast of theory and current trends in the field of nursing education and willingly shares her expertise with colleagues and students. It is an honor and a privilege to nominate such a deserving individual to be the recipient of the award." ■

Planetary Studies Scholarship Nathan Rapp

Nathan Rapp, was chosen as the first recipient of the Planetary Studies Scholarship for the spring 2010 semester.

The scholarship was established by Harper College Emeritus Professor Paul Sipiera through donations received by the Planetary Studies Foundation, which he established.

Nathan intends to complete a degree in electrical/computer engineering and pursue a job with the Department of Defense or the FBI. The scholarship will be a significant help in helping him reach his goals. ■



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