



2014 Report *to the* Community



The Promise of LCC



LCC President Chris Bailey

Lower Columbia College offers the promise of a better life for adults of all ages and a more robust economy for our region. This promise is more important than ever in the post-recession environment.

Many companies and industries have made changes to their way of doing business in order to adapt to the new economic climate. They are using lean business and manufacturing processes, incorporating technology for greater efficiencies, and helping incumbent workers upgrade their skills.

At LCC, we have also made changes to the way we do business. A 23 percent drop in state funding support means we must cultivate new revenue sources. Some revenue is coming from increased enrollment, some from initiatives that are aligned with the needs of

the community. Additional support is being provided by the LCC Foundation, which is setting new records thanks to the generosity of local donors and strategic fundraising efforts.

LCC has four main initiatives designed to grow the external funding base. First is our international program, which will help bring diversity and an enhanced world view to the community. Second is the University Center, offering 11 baccalaureate and graduate degree programs through several higher education partners. Third is the Lower Columbia Business & Industry Center, created to meet local corporate and other training needs. Fourth is our Rural Outreach initiative, intended to maximize access to dual high school-college enrollment programs for students throughout our service district.

In the midst of the new fiscal reality, student success remains our top priority. Our innovative faculty and staff continue to improve outcomes for students even in the face of declining state support. Embarking on new ways of operating is not always comfortable, but necessary for the continued delivery of high quality education to our community—that's our promise to you.

Christopher C. Bailey

President

Lower Columbia College

Lower Columbia College Mission

The mission of Lower Columbia College is to ensure each learner's personal and professional success, and influence lives in ways that are local, global, traditional and innovative.

Lower Columbia College Vision

Our vision is to be a powerful force for improving the quality of life in our community.

LCC At A Glance

Enrollment

6,859 Total students
170 Worker Retraining
180 Veterans
364 Running Start
2,434 Online

Student Intent

28% Transfer students
41% Workforce students
16% Basic Skills students
15% Community & Continuing Education

Demographics

62% Female
22% Students of color
32 Average age
42% Full-time

NWAACC Varsity Sports

Men's and Women's basketball
Men's baseball
Women's softball, volleyball and soccer

Facilities

38.75 acre campus; 27 buildings

Operating Budget for 2013-14

\$21.8 million

Annual Tuition

\$4,281 tuition
and fees (2014-15, 45 credits)
Financial Aid Disbursed \$18.2 million
Foundation \$14.9 million in assets

Employment

415 Total employees
67 Full-time, 129 Part-Time Faculty
219 Staff including Head Start/ECEAP
employees

Lower Columbia College Board Of Trustees



Lower Columbia College has a five-member Board of Trustees, appointed by the Governor of the State of Washington, charged with providing local oversight for college activities. The LCC Board is committed to excellence in educational programs and other services of the College and availability to all people. Current trustees include: Heidi Heywood, Board Chair; Max Anderson, Vice Chair; Steve Vincent, Thuy Vo, and George Raiter.

Angela Gates Wins 2015 Transforming Lives Award

LCC Nursing Student Angela Gates was selected as one of five winners of the statewide 2015 TACTC (Trustees Association of Community and Technical Colleges) Transforming Lives Award. Angela was honored during the TACTC Legislative Conference in January 2015. Award winners are invited to speak during the conference, and receive a \$500 cash award from TACTC. Angela also received a \$500 cash award from the LCC Foundation for being the College's 2015 nominee.

Angela has overcome significant life challenges, first as a child and later as a single mother to four teenage daughters. Angela's goal is to become a nurse through LCC's RN program, and then continue on for her Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Currently serving as president of the student Global Medical Brigades club, Angela has participated in medical missions in both Honduras and Nicaragua. She credits the environment at LCC for her success:

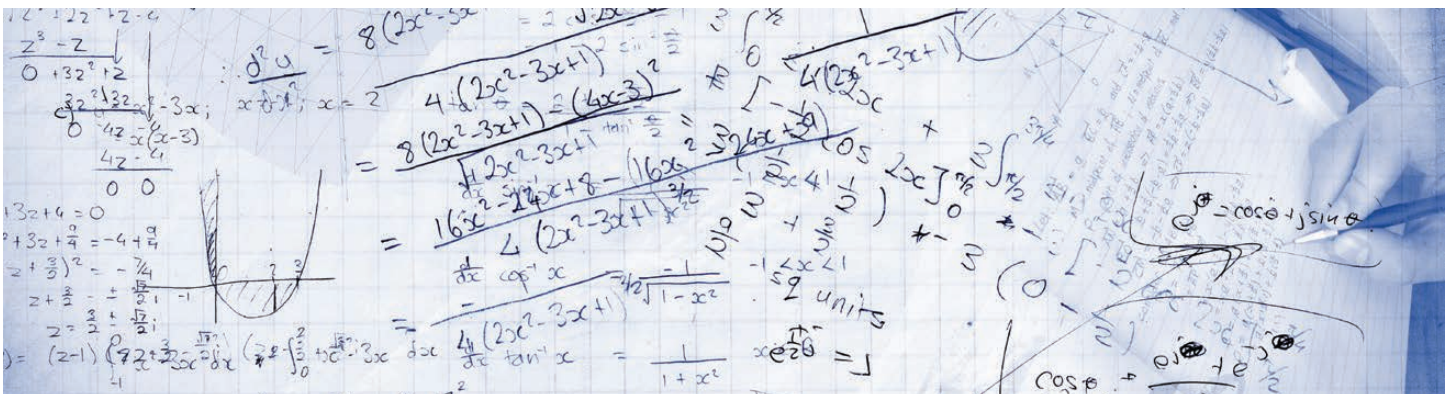
"The Advising and Nursing staff has helped with my self-esteem and confidence and I believe that I am capable of achieving anything, which I wasn't 100% sure about when I started this journey. My success has everything to do with coming to Lower Columbia College and being accepted, for who I am. I know I am in charge of my future."

-Angela Gates

Angela will graduate from LCC with her nursing degree in March 2015.



Angela Gates



Lower Columbia College Receives National Recognition for Student Success and Math Reform Efforts

Lower Columbia College received two rounds of national recognition in 2014 for innovative work in helping students complete their college goals. First, President Chris Bailey was invited to a White House event in August 2014 in recognition of the LCC Foundation's efforts to create an endowed Student Success Fund. Second, in September 2014 LCC was designated by Achieving the Dream as a national "Leader College" for its positive impact on student success in math.

The LCC Foundation's endowed Student Success Fund provides \$50,000 annually to help an estimated 150 students facing financial hardship by covering extra expenses including tuition, textbooks, testing fees, emergency childcare and transportation. Student success data indicates that the fund is working as it was intended—to help students get to class and stay in school. The percentage of LCC students who lost eligibility to receive financial aid for summer 2014 due to poor academic performance dropped by over 60% compared to the prior year. Likewise, the percentage of students placed on academic

warning for poor performance comparing the same periods was down 25%.

LCC received the distinctive "Leader College" designation in 2014 along with 15 other colleges across the nation from Achieving the Dream, a non-profit dedicated to increasing college graduation rates. LCC's selection was based on measurable improvements in math outcomes for students, including significant increases in the proportion of students successfully completing their math requirements within two years of starting college. In addition, the proportion of recent high school graduates entering LCC underprepared in math dropped from 92% in 2008-09 to 72% in 2012-13. The change is attributed to expansion in the number of placement options available to students and development of strong partnerships with K-12. The proportion of students successfully completing pre-college math is also up substantially (seven percent over five years), resulting in significant enrollment increases in college level math.

Community Celebrates Building a Healthy Future

LCC faculty, staff, retirees and students were joined by 1,200 community members on September 19 and 20 to celebrate the opening of the new Health and Science Building. The event included building tours, science presentations, and demonstrations by OMSI and the Mount St. Helens Institute - a fun and educational experience for all ages.

The Health and Science Building is a 70,000-square-foot, three-story brick and glass structure is located on Maple Street adjacent to the Main Building, the first facility constructed on the current campus. The new building includes a 140-seat lecture hall, large enough to seat several lecture classes together and also to serve as a venue for community programs.

Classrooms and labs are designed to take advantage of natural light supplemented with highly-efficient, motion-activated LED fixtures to conserve power usage. Easy-to-move tables and chairs maximize the flexibility of classrooms for a variety of study configurations and accommodate up to 50 students, almost double the capacity of previous science rooms.

Spaces for eating, socializing, and individual and group study are located on all floors to bring faculty and students together outside the classroom. Research shows that this kind of interaction and cohort study increases student success. Digital displays and interactive computer screens on each floor keep students and faculty informed about important dates and upcoming activities.



Educators from OMSI and Mt. Saint Helen's Institute provided "hands on" activities for children of all ages. President Chris Bailey, above, welcomed visitors with an overview of the college.



Coming Soon to a Bookshelf Near You

Social Science faculty member and Historian Courtney Shah has a new book coming out this fall from the University of Rochester Press. Her book, part of a series on Gender and Race in American History, is called *Sex Ed, Segregated: The Quest for Sexual Knowledge in Progressive-Era America*. Dr. Shah was approached by the publisher after delivering a paper on the topic in 2011 at an Organization of American Historians conference. The focus of the series is the intersection of gender and race in the nineteenth and twentieth-centuries.

Stemming from her dissertation, Dr. Shah has been researching and writing about sex education off and on for almost 12 years. She explains, "Teaching is my priority, but I want to have a toe in the scholarship pond. I like to feel like I am contributing to a larger ongoing discussion. I got reinvigorated when teaching 'Women in US History' and it sparked my interest again."

Dr. Shah has a B.A. from Duke University, an M.A. from Brandeis University, and a Ph.D. from the University of Houston. She teaches US History, World Civilization and Sports in American History for LCC, among other courses.



Health and Science Building - Dedication of Honored Spaces



Laufman Lecture Hall

Longview native Paul Laufman, LCC Class of 1958, turned his associate degree in Engineering into advanced degrees and a successful career developing propulsion systems for major defense and manned space systems including the Apollo Moon Landing and Space Shuttle programs. Mr. Laufman and his wife Marlene, an LCC classmate, are retired in California but he makes frequent trips back home to speak at schools and colleges about the value of careers in science. Naming the Health & Science Building lecture hall in honor of the Laufmans recognizes their contributions to advances in science and to LCC and our community to promote Student Success.



McLaughlin Community Resource Center

Dr. James L. McLaughlin, president at Lower Columbia College from 1997 to 2011, revitalized LCC to continue its mission of serving the job training and higher education needs of Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties. He led the LCC Foundation through a \$4.6 million major gift campaign and brought new technology to campus with a \$1.8 million Title III Strengthening Institutions grant which made LCC a state leader in online education and services. He guided construction of the Rose Center for the Arts and laid the groundwork for the new Health and Science Building. Because he placed strong emphasis on community outreach it is appropriate that this Center serving both the campus and community bear his name.



Marylou Schall Memorial Plaza

A passion for learning and helping others was at the heart of Marylou Schall's three decade career at Lower Columbia College. The long-time Longview resident was an active volunteer on campus and in the community. She had a special love for the LCC basketball program and was a regular fan at games throughout her career and in retirement. Her final gift to LCC students and athletes was establishing a scholarship endowment and contributing to the Red Devils Athletics Excellence Fund. This beautiful outdoor venue named in her honor provides a space for students to meet and study.



International Program Diversifies while Search Continues for Host Families

LCC has a new option for students visiting from around the world: short-term immersion programs. In February 2015, LCC will host a group of students and an administrator from Atomi University. The group will spend approximately three weeks in the area, learning about English and American Culture. Located in Niiza, Japan, Atomi University is a private women's college that was established in 1965 and became known to LCC through Longview's sister city ties.

The new short-term option is expected to gain in popularity as students looking for opportunities to experience American culture (without committing to a term or more of college level studies) hear about LCC's program. Depending on need, the program can be offered in the academic year or during the summer. The new program joins a host of other opportunities available for international students, including both intensive English studies and more traditional college programming.

LCC began actively recruiting international students a few years ago. There were 13 enrolled international students in fall 2014, and several more are currently in the application pipeline for future terms. Additional host families are needed in order to help the College achieve its ultimate goal of 50 enrolled international students each year in both short- and long-term programs.

Many international students prefer to stay in family homes rather than apartments in order to have a more authentic experience. Participating in family activities can provide rich and lasting memories and dramatically improve the experience for visiting students. It's also an option that many parents of international students prefer.

Families who opt to host an international student gain a unique opportunity to learn about a different culture and language. In return for a stipend, host families provide a private room and meals for their student (ages 16-20) in addition to transportation. Transportation requirements can also be met if host families live on a bus line or within walking distance of LCC.

To learn more about hosting an international student or for more information about LCC's program, please call 360.442.2440.



Lower Columbia Business & Industry Center

With continued support from the LCC Foundation, the Lower Columbia Business & Industry Center is beginning its second year of operations. The mission of the Center is to increase economic prosperity in Southwest Washington by creating a highly-skilled workforce.

The primary goal of the Center is to provide quality, customizable, and affordable training to business and industry in the region by increasing the knowledge and skills of the existing workforce.

Keeping it local is the underlying principle behind the Center's operations. Delivering training here to a larger

number of employees—instead of sending a much smaller number elsewhere—increases cost effectiveness and helps our local business and industry stretch limited professional development dollars. An active focus on building strategic partnerships and growing local talent further supports the Center's mission and goals.

To learn more about how the Center may be able to help with your unmet training needs, please contact us at 360.442.2611.

New High School Completion Pathway for Adult Learners

Adults who lack a high school diploma have a new pathway to completion. High School 21+ is a new competency-based diploma program for adults. As an early adopter of the new competency-based program, LCC ran its first pilot in summer 2013 and graduated 107 students by the following spring.

High School 21+ is different than traditional high school completion programs in several respects. First, it recognizes life competency in addition to classroom time and tests. Second, it opens the door to federal financial aid for college, which now requires applicants to have a high school diploma or equivalency certificate. Third, it is accepted more readily and consistently by the military because it is an actual high school diploma rather than an equivalency. At \$25 a quarter for tuition, it is also substantially less expensive than the hundreds of dollars needed to take the GED test series. Assistance is available through LCC for students who cannot afford the \$25 tuition charge.

To receive a diploma, students must demonstrate competency in reading, writing, and math in the context of science, history, government, occupational studies, and digital literacy. The High School 21+ program allows students to demonstrate their knowledge in several ways, including work, life, and military experience; a prior learning portfolio; and high school and college transcripts.

What really sets LCC's program apart from others around the state is that all courses can be accessed online. Work, family, and other life barriers can significantly impact an adult's ability to return to school. Through LCC's High School 21+ program, adults can work anywhere, anytime toward achieving their diploma.

Because a high school diploma opens the door to federal financial aid, students in the High School 21+ program are strongly encouraged to move on to college. Nearly 44% of 2013-14 program graduates transitioned directly into college. This is important in today's economy, since so many jobs require at least some college. According to some estimates, two-thirds of all new jobs in Washington State will require at least one year of college by 2019.

The new program brings rewards far beyond the benefit to individual students. Through Washington's performance-based funding system known as the "Student Achievement Initiative," LCC receives extra points for adult learners who achieve educational milestones, including earning a high school diploma and transitioning to college level studies. Points translate to dollars, which is good for both the College and the community.



GED, CEO & HS21 Graduates: December 2014

Lower Columbia Regional University Center Continues to Grow

The Lower Columbia Regional University Center located on the LCC campus continues to expand degree pathway options for students. A total of five university partners—including Eastern Washington University, Washington State University, Warner Pacific College, City University of Seattle, and Concordia University—now offer 10 baccalaureate options and one master's degree program through the Center.

For more information about the Center's degree pathway options, including the long anticipated Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from Eastern Washington University, and the new Master of Science in Organizational Leadership from Warner Pacific College, please visit lowercolumbia.edu/ucenter.



Richard Kelley Learning & Healing Garden Springs Forth

When long-time LCC faculty member Richard Kelley was diagnosed with terminal cancer in early 2014, his friends and colleagues set out to find a way to honor him. An avid gardener and passionate teacher, Richard was pleased with the idea to create a learning garden on the LCC campus.

As plans for the garden progressed, the concept expanded to honor other colleagues and friends, including the late Lynn Lawrence (former LCC Registrar) and the late Tom Swihart (former technician in LCC's Information Technology Department).

Fruit trees are a foundational element of the learning garden, in addition to raised vegetable beds, herbs, and grapes. Additional features include a collection of native plants, greenhouse, gazebo, water feature and sitting area.

Dr. Louis LaPierre, Environmental Science and Biology faculty member, hopes the garden will be the anchor of a movement to create a more edible campus, including fruit trees planted throughout the campus. He sees the garden as a way to engage the community and emphasize sustainability principles.

Individuals interested in helping with the garden or honoring a loved one through a donation or special plant purchase should contact Dr. LaPierre at llapierre@lowercolumbia.edu or 360.442.2884.



Richard Kelley (far right) at the garden dedication ceremony.



Fencing and greenhouse under construction.

2014 Faculty Retirees

Carol Flakus, Math

Carol joined the faculty at Lower Columbia College in 1974. She was instrumental in creating the original Math Lab, which was highly innovative in providing flexible sequencing for both pre-college and some college level math classes. She has taught at all levels from precollege to the most advanced courses in the mathematics curriculum.

Allison Hutchinson, English & Geography

Allison Hutchinson joined the LCC family in 1992. She taught precollege English, reading and writing, geography and college success classes at LCC. Many of her students report that they wish they had taken her college success course at the beginning of their college career instead of waiting until the end. She is also highly respected in our community because of her support for the sister city program.

Kathy Meier receives Faculty Emeritus Status

Longtime Nursing Program faculty member Kathy Meier was conferred the title of Faculty Emeritus by the LCC Board of Trustees in fall 2014.

Kathy served the community for 30 years as a faculty member in LCC's award winning Nursing Program. Kathy helped develop the Rural Outreach Nursing Education (RONE) Program, created to provide high quality nursing education to outlying areas. Kathy is well known for her outstanding service to both students and the College.

Emeritus is a designated honorary title that is conferred based on individual distinction and quality of contribution and service to the College, and remains in effect for life.



Foundation Letter for Annual Report



Bob Gregory

2014 has been another year of milestones for LCC and the Foundation. On behalf of the LCC Foundation Board of Directors, we are thankful and overwhelmed by the generosity this community has extended to support student success and the great work of our faculty and administration. It is a privilege to serve as Board President and work with a committed board and foundation staff. As I reflect back on an incredibly successful year, I am very excited for the year ahead.

The Foundation continues to advance our mission to provide financial assistance to students, to encourage public support for the college, and to strengthen the teaching, learning and cultural environment of the college and our community. Significant strides

were made in the initiatives for Student Success, Athletic Excellence, and the health and sciences with a focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) curriculum to better prepare our students for success.

Highlights of 2014 for these initiatives include the opening of LCC's Health and Science Building in the fall, commencing construction of the athletic and fitness center, the induction of four alumni into our Athletics Hall of Fame, matching funds for a \$1.7 million federal Economic Development Grant to provide technology equipment for the Health and Science Building, and raising \$160,000 for our Student Success fund that provides a safety net for students facing financial hardships that mitigate the risk for them not having to abandon their higher education goals.

The work of the foundation can only be accomplished with the help of committed community volunteers and a talented staff. The foundation staff takes great care with strong financial stewardship and fund raising. With assets that now exceed over \$15 million, through the generosity of our community, alumni, and friends, this allows the foundation to provide facilities and programs that deliver academic excellence and success. We invite business and community members to join us in our continuing pursuit of the mission of Lower Columbia College and the Foundation and look forward to your continued support in the success of LCC, our faculty, and our students.

Bob Gregory
Board President
LCC Foundation

2014-2015 Foundation Board of Directors

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Steve Vincent named the LCC Foundation's 2014-15 Benefactor of the Year



Steve Vincent

Benefactor honorees have a history of providing charitable financial support to the Foundation, and/or significant volunteer service to Lower Columbia College. Most notably, their contributions have had a demonstrated impact on the college, its programs, students or the community.

Steve Vincent served nine years on the LCC Foundation Board of Directors, including two years as the Foundation

Board's president, and chaired the Foundation's highly successful Reaching Higher fundraising campaign which generated \$4.6 million in donations benefiting the Rose Center for the Arts, scholarships, equipment and college programs. Vincent currently serves as one of the Lower Columbia College Board of Trustees' liaison to the Foundation.

Steve was instrumental in securing an Economic Development Administration (EDA) matching grant as part of a \$1.7 million project to provide state-of-the art equipment for the College's new Health and Science Building.

Born and raised in Longview, Steve graduated from R.A. Long High School in 1969; Lower Columbia College in 1971, and the University of Washington in 1974. He also completed post-graduate coursework from the UW in Pulp and Paper Technology while working at Weyerhaeuser from 1974 to 1986.

In 1986, Steve left Weyerhaeuser where he was the manager of the Research and Development Analytical Laboratory to co-found his company, Columbia Analytical Services. At the time of its sale to the ALS Corporation in 2011, CAS had grown into one of the largest and most reputable independent testing labs in the United States, providing testing services from six facilities to industry, government and private party clients.

2013-14 Alumni of the Year: Rob Quoidbach, Class of 1947

Lower Columbia College proudly celebrated 2014 Alumni of the Year, Robert "Rob" Quoidbach (LCC class of 1947) at the LCC Foundation's Horns and Halos Gala in April 2014.

Rob was born in Longview in 1925 and his family has deep roots in the community, and at LCC in particular, as his mother helped fundraise to start the college (which was then called LC Junior College), and was the author/composer of the college's fight song.

Rob started his college education at LCJC when he was just 17 and then transferred to Stanford to pursue a degree in Engineering.

Upon returning to Longview he worked as a local building contractor – constructing and remodeling some of the buildings that stand on LCC's campus today – including the old science building and the Main building. He also became an avid tree farmer, and worked with fellow LCC Alum Sid Snyder as a founding director of Columbia Bank.

Rob is known for his passion for helping others and his dedication to LCC has been life changing for so many students and faculty. Throughout the years, Rob has supported faculty development grants, annual and endowed scholarships, and supported various capital campaigns. He has also provided for LCC in the future through his estate planning – to ensure his legacy of support continues.

When asked why he gives so generously to the community Rob said, "I think we make our heaven on Earth."



LCC Board of Trustees Chair Heidi Heywood presenting the Alumni of the Year Award to Rob Quoidbach



Leaving a Legacy

The LCC Foundation established the *Wertheimer Society* to recognize and honor our donors who have generously provided, or plan to provide, gifts to the LCC Foundation through bequests, trusts, and other life income gifts. Society membership is a reflection of the highest of values and commitment to future educational excellence.

To become a member of the *Wertheimer Society*, or for more information about planned giving, please contact LCC Foundation Executive Director Erin Brown at ebrown@lowercolumbia.edu or 360.442.2131.

Celebrating LCC's "Student Success Angels"

The LCC Foundation hosted its 2nd annual Horns and Halos Gala on April 26, 2014 and raised nearly \$100,000 in financial support for the Student Success Fund. The *LCC Student Success Fund* assists students who are most at risk for abandoning their higher education goals due to financial hardship.

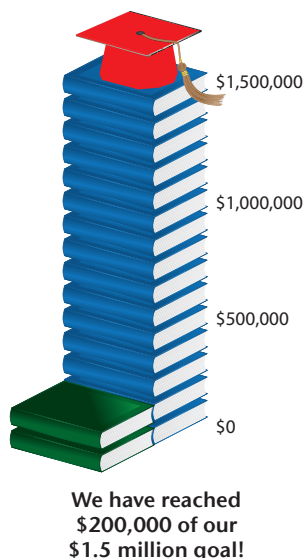
Student Success Funds help students cover the cost of:

- Tuition expenses not covered by scholarships, financial aid or grants
- Textbook expenses
- Testing Fees
- Emergency childcare expenses
- Emergency transportation

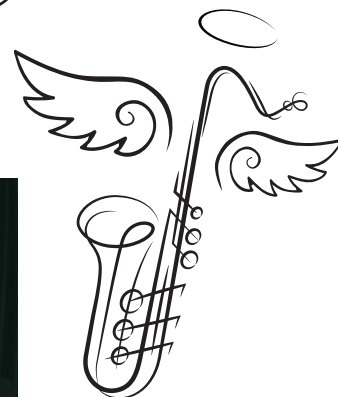
Student Success Funds not only help students in need, but also help the college maintain quality instruction because each dollar invested is twice spent. Students get the vital support they need for tuition and books, and the funds stay on campus to maintain and support programs on campus.

Since launching the initiative in 2013, the LCC Foundation has distributed nearly \$100,000 in emergency grants to help over 300 students in need. These one-time grants have meant the difference between success and failure for many students who are either progressing through their studies or are now proud college graduates.

Annual funding of \$50,000 supports nearly 150 students who have financial hardship continue their studies. The LCC Foundation seeks to create a \$1.5 million endowment to support the Student Success Fund indefinitely.



Horns & Halos Gala



Student Success
Recipient
Katie Mahaney



Stephen Jones and
PJ Peterson, Max and
Karen Anderson



Katie and Andy Gersen,
Kim and Jim Hendrickson

The LCC Foundation extends special thanks to our 2013-14 Platinum and Gold Angels for their support of Student Success:

Paul & Marlene Laufman; Chairman,
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Lower Columbia College Athletics Hall of Fame Class Honored

Four former Lower Columbia College athletes were inducted into the Lower Columbia Athletics Hall of Fame on February 1, 2014.

Lou Mace competed in Track & Field at LCC in 1954 and 1955. He won the Washington JC pole vault championship with a vault of 12' 9" ¼", a record at the time. Following his stellar athletic exploits at LCC, Mace went on to study engineering at Oregon State University, where he is a member of the OSU Engineering Hall of Fame.

Mike Polis has been involved with LCC athletics for close to 20 years as an athlete, coach, parent, fan and supporter. Polis played baseball and basketball from 1968-70 for LCC. He was a member of the Washington JC champion Red Devil baseball team and also was a star guard on the LCC basketball team.

Following an athletic career at Central Washington University, Polis became a teacher and coach at Omak and R.A. Long High School. After serving as an assistant coach for LCC men's basketball and baseball, Polis took the reigns as LCC's head basketball coach and compiled a record of 146 wins and 103 losses.

Kathy Lehning was a record setting guard for the Lower Columbia women's basketball teams in 1979 and 1980. She came to LCC after becoming the all-time leading scorer at Kelso High School, a record that still stands. Lehning did not slow down at LCC, where she set the school record for single game and season assists as a freshman and was also the second leading scorer on the team. That earned her All-NWAACC Tournament first team honors. As a sophomore, Lehning led the Devils in scoring at 16.1 pts. per game and also led the team in minutes, assists and steals. She then went on to a two-year playing career at Lewis-Clark State University in Lewiston, Idaho. Kathy began her teaching and coaching career in California and she is currently a teacher in Fresno.

Hank Jones played one season of baseball at Lower Columbia College in 1972, where the Kelso native was a middle infielder with great hands. Jones was so good that he was drafted in the 15th round of the Major League Draft following his Red Devil season. Jones played three seasons in the Giants minor league chain, before joining the Dodgers organization. After four years in the Dodgers minor leagues, injuries changed his path into coaching and scouting. Hank is the longest tenured scout in the Dodgers' organization, nearing 40 years. He has been a leader in the Pacific Northwest Scouting Association and was instrumental in bringing the annual PNSA meeting to Longview-Kelso, many times as a fundraiser for LCC Baseball. Jones impact on Red Devil baseball runs deep as he has scouted, drafted, mentored, instructed, and encouraged hundreds of players as to the strength of LCC baseball.

A Legacy of Athletic Excellence

Lower Columbia College Red Devil Athletics has long enjoyed a legacy of Athletic Excellence! The LCC athletic programs are an important avenue to education and careers for our student athletes who regularly rank near the top of their peers in academic achievement and go on to successful careers both on and off the court or field.

For more information about supporting Athletic Excellence, please contact LCC Foundation Executive Director Erin Brown at ebrown@lowercolumbia.edu or 360.442.2131.



Inductee Lou Mace, and his wife Jeanne

Inductees Kathy Lehning, Lou Mace, Hank Jones, and Mike Polis

2014 Lower Columbia College Foundation Scholarship Social

The annual Scholarship Social allows donors the opportunity to meet their scholarship recipients, hear their personal stories and educational aspirations. This fall, the LCC Foundation awarded 156 scholarships totaling more than \$270,000. We are so grateful for the tremendous community support to ensure student success at LCC!

For more information on setting up an annual or endowed scholarship to support student success, please contact LCC Foundation Assistant Director of Development and Scholarships Sheila Burgin at sburgin@lowercolumbia.edu or 360.442.2132.



Untouchables Car Club Scholarship recipient, Zachary Grandle and guest with club representative Ron Halbleib.



Scholarship recipients Todd Clardy (right) and Craig Jones (left) with representatives of the Hedwig Waldron Nursing Endowed Scholarship funded by the Rosina E. Williamson Living Trust, Harvey and Barbara Williamson (middle).



Scholarship representatives John Petraitis and Nathan Hockett with recipients: Kayli Thompson and mother, Theresa Thompson, and Chelsy Sirnio with her father, Chad Sirnio.

Greetings LCC Alumni!

The Foundation is committed to creating meaningful, lasting relationships between alumni and Lower Columbia College. The Annual Report is just one of the ways we provide our alumni and community with an overview of recent achievements and highlights at LCC.

We encourage **YOU** to stay in touch and get connected! For more information, questions, or to share your LCC story, please contact Alumni Relations Manager LeeAnn Thompson at 360.442.2134.

We hope to highlight **YOU** and other **LCC Alumni** on our new Alumni Web page launching in 2015!



LCC Choir Goes to Carnegie Hall

Thanks to generous support from the Ken and Pat Hanson Memorial Music Endowment, a group of LCC singers is slated to perform at Carnegie Hall this spring. Although they still have some fund raising to do to make the trip a reality, LCC's Concert Choir has been invited to perform Vivaldi's "Gloria" on the legendary stage in New York City with several other groups on May 10, 2015.



Gina Challed

The LCC group was accepted based on a recorded audition. Thirty three students will make the trip, in addition to a handful of community members who are covering their own expenses. The trip has been a boon for participation in LCC's choir, which has 24 members for the first time. In order to qualify for the Carnegie performance, students have to participate in fall, winter and spring quarters. This has really helped the group come together musically, according to Director of Vocal Studies Gina Challed.

According to Gina, "There's no way we could have done this without support from the Foundation. This is a wonderful way for students to get out of the area and see parts of the world they wouldn't otherwise see. Broadening horizons is a big part of what we do in education. We would like to make traveling performances a regular part of the music program."

The choir held an extra performance in January to help close the fundraising gap, but additional help is needed. For questions about how to support the Carnegie Hall trip or LCC's choir program, please contact Gina Challed at gchalled@lowercolumbia.edu or 360.442.2681.



Financial Report 2013 – 2014

July 1, 2012 –
June 30, 2013

July 1, 2013 –
June 30, 2014

Assets

Cash	\$283,395	.....	\$518,332
Investments	\$13,302,720	.....	\$14,357,270
Pledges Receivables	\$101,355	.....	\$85,910
Prepaid Expenses	\$681	.....	\$746
Fixtures and Equipment	\$13,550	.....	\$15,950
TOTAL ASSETS	\$13,701,701	..	\$14,978,208

Liabilities

Accrued Expenses	\$45,530	.....	\$62,975
Amounts Held in Trust for LCC ...	\$66,205	.....	\$61,370
Annuity Payment Liability	\$3,846	.....	\$3,666
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$115,581	.....	\$128,011

Net Assets

Unrestricted	\$3,255,954	.....	\$3,229,630
Temporarily Restricted	\$3,286,877	.....	\$4,362,580
Permanently Restricted	\$7,043,289	.....	\$7,257,987
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$13,586,120	....	\$14,850,197

Income & Expenditures July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

Income

Revenue, Gains/Losses, Other	\$2,633,221
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Expenditures

Program Support to LCC:	
Scholarships	\$270,975
Grants	\$141,111
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Other	\$114,023
TOTAL	\$969,626

General & Administrative	\$182,484
Fundraising	\$217,034

Total Expenditures	\$1,369,144
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