

Foundation FOCUS

Information about and for the College of DuPage Foundation and its community

Healthcare Initiative Update

At the end of 2006, the College of DuPage Foundation Board embarked on a new journey to raise funds needed by College of DuPage to double the size of its current nursing program — another 125 students. This was built on a community need that was articulated through the DuPage Area Healthcare Leadership Council, and our Academic Affairs area at the college telling us what it would take to make such a valuable change possible.

The dramatic changes in our community were felt to warrant educating the community about this initiative and seeking their support. Such a decision was driven by a number of important factors: dramatic



Health and Science Center Architectural Rendering

changes to how community college funding has changed in the past decade; demographics indicating a major expansion of the 60-plus age group in our region in the coming years; and the benefit a stronger healthcare workforce brings to the economy of the region and the quality of life for those living here.

How well is our community responding to our \$10 million Healthcare Initiative? The specific focus of our Initiative is in four areas: a \$7 million endowment to fund more teachers in the classroom; \$3 million of endowed scholarships so additional students can seek a healthcare career; equipment for our new facility, so students learn on the state-of-the-art equipment they will encounter in the workplace;

and to make naming possibilities available in our new Health and Science Center.

After a year of being in our process, an update to our donor community is important. We are pleased to report that we are at about 20 percent of our goal, with success in each of the four areas we targeted for our work.

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Did You Know?

The Foundation plans to reach out to C.O.D. alumni this year!

If you are an alumnus or know alumni, please contact the Foundation to update our records. Fdnews@cod.edu or (630) 942-2462



Healthcare Faculty Endowment:

As a result of our fundraising success, we are now able to use the earnings, and will provide a \$20,000 grant to the college in support of an additional nursing faculty member for the 2008-09 academic year.

Equipment Donations:

Just recently, 16 hospital beds arrived as a donation from Adventist Hinsdale Hospital. These will replace some aging equipment and make more training areas possible.



Did You Know?

College of DuPage employees are invited to support the Foundation through the Employee Giving Campaign.

Upon being thanked, one participating faculty member responded saying, "You're welcome. Glad to help. I'm very grateful to teach at the school."

Healthcare Scholarships:

Lillian Neale Campbell Endowed Scholarship

The final portion of an estate gift from a local Glen Ellyn educator (profiled in our last newsletter) has reached a total amount of more than \$1.2 million. The C.O.D. Foundation recently announced that as a result of the earnings on this gift, there will be 15 new scholarships available during the next academic year for Health Career students with \$20,000 of funding.

Helen Claire Walters, R.N. Memorial Scholarship

A \$100,000 endowed scholarship was established in honor of a C.O.D. nursing alum, Helen Claire Walters, through the generosity of Allan and Barbara Walters of Flint, MI. Allan is Helen's brother. During her lifetime, she credited the Nursing program at C.O.D. as having an impact on enriching her life and career opportunities. After earning her degree, Helen worked as a nurse in the Chicago Suburban area. These scholarships, commencing in fall 2009, are offered to students enrolled in the associate degree in nursing program who demonstrate financial need.



Helen Claire Walters



Betty Bradshaw

Naming Opportunities:

As the construction proceeds on the new Health and Science Center, the College Trustees have approved the naming of two rooms in the new facility as a result of significant donations to the C.O.D. Foundation. There will be the Bradshaw Phlebotomy Lab, as the result of a generous gift from Wheaton philanthropist, Ms. Betty Bradshaw; and the Tellabs Nursing Suite, which will be one of three nursing labs, as a result of a generous donation from the Tellabs Foundation of Naperville, IL.



Did You Know?

More than 200 nursing alumni gathered on campus Feb. 1 for their annual reunion.

Proceeds from this event go to support the Nursing Alumni Scholarships awarded annually.



Foundation Board Announces new Scholarships and Gives \$20,000 Instructional Support to the college.

Michelle Panovich, President of the Foundation Board of Trustees said, "Delivering this type of money from the Foundation to the college demonstrates our incredible partnership. We look forward to both scholarships and instructional support growing as the Healthcare Initiative continues to prosper."

Focus On ...

Natalie Shukue Yono started her career at C.O.D. by completing her G.E.D. Now, she looks to her bright future as she prepares to transfer to Judson College and complete her bachelor's degree. Natalie is one of many C.O.D. students who juggles full-time school, while working and being a single-parent.



Natalie Shukue Yono
Student at C.O.D.

The C.O.D. Foundation is proud to have assisted Natalie along her journey as she has been the recipient of six different scholarships. This started with the G.E.D. scholarship and continued with the Single-Parent and several privately funded scholarships. These funds have made the difference for Natalie,

as they do for so many C.O.D. students. Congratulations to Natalie, who makes us proud as a student and will continue to make us proud as an alumna.

2008 Golf and Tennis Outing

New Date, New Location — Same Great Fun!

Monday, Sept. 22, 2008
Stonebridge Country Club
Aurora

Sponsorships available at a variety of levels!



C.O.D. Foundation
Scholarship Fundraiser



Rotary Club of Naperville Downtown — Establish a new scholarship with C.O.D. Foundation!

Pictured: Stacy Rungaitis, C.O.D.; Stephanie Penick, President of Rotary Club; Lynda Reilly, Scholarship Co-Chair of Rotary Club; Michael Trench, C.O.D.



The AT&T Foundation again awarded the C.O.D. Foundation an Excelerator Grant award of \$9,900 to be used for providing computer equipment and software allowing those with disabilities to access the resources.

Pictured: David Gay, C.O.D.; Valerie Bruggeman AT&T; Virgil Pund, Foundation Board/AT&T



College of DuPage Annuitant Association — Present check to Michael Trench on behalf of their organization!

Pictured: Ron Kapper, Vice President of CDAA; Ron Lemme, President of CDAA; Michael Trench, Chief Development Officer



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