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El Camino College Foundation Receives Center for the Arts Legacy Gift

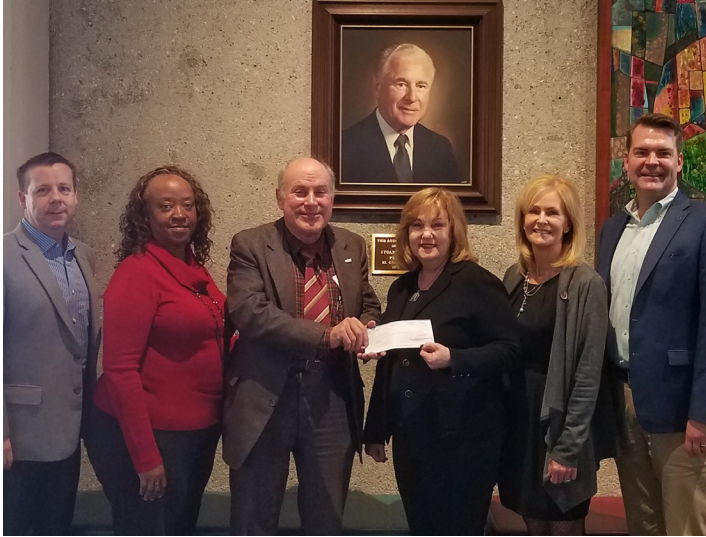
The El Camino College Foundation recently received a significant gift from a dedicated Warrior family which will support the El Camino Center for the Arts. On January 31, longtime Marsee Auditorium volunteer and ECC alumnus Jim Olds, invited several ECC staff members to meet him in the Marsee Auditorium lobby for an event he described as “family related and something special, not to be missed.” True to his word, Olds surprised the group with a very generous \$179,000 gift to the El Camino College Center for the Arts in honor of his parents, A.Y. and Joyce Olds.

The Olds family loved the Marsee Auditorium. When A.Y. Olds retired from Exxon after 40 years, he joined Joyce and Jim as volunteers. For over 25 years, they helped with seating, ticket taking, and serving refreshments to guests – truly becoming part of the Marsee family and the arts community. A.Y. and Joyce have both passed away, however, they have provided a generous Legacy Circle gift to El Camino’s Center for the Arts through their Charitable Remainder Trust.

A true Warrior, Jim graduated from El Camino in 1980 and was valedictorian of his class; his sisters preceded him in 1971

“We are blessed to have such support from the Olds family. Their gift is a lasting legacy to their affection and connections with El Camino College.”

— Dr. Dena Maloney,
El Camino College
Superintendent /President



Jim Olds (center) presenting a gift of over \$179,000 to benefit the El Camino College Center for the Arts. L to R: Fine Arts Dean Berkeley Price; Theater Manager Barbara Riser; Jim Olds; President Dena Maloney; Foundation Executive Director Andrea Sala; and Center for the Arts Director Rick Christophersen.

and 1975. Jim remained loyal to ECC through the years and has been a Foundation President’s Circle member since 2014. Our deepest gratitude to Jim Olds and his family for their steadfast commitment to education, El Camino College, and its students through their support of our Legacy Circle program.

Interested in joining the Legacy Circle like A.Y., Joyce and Jim Olds? Our Legacy Circle recognizes individuals and families who have designated a gift to the Foundation through estate planning. A Legacy Circle gift helps to ensure the continued success of El Camino College students for years to come.

For more information on the Legacy Circle program, please contact Andrea Sala, Foundation Executive Director.



- Ms. Ruth Abeyta
- Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Bemis
- Ms. Kathy Benz

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- Ms. Eva Brown
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- Ms. Maxine H. Trevethen
- Mr. and Mrs. David Vakil
- Mr. Stanley F. Wilson

New South Bay Promise Laptop Loan Program Funded by ECC Foundation



In an effort to promote academic success for South Bay Promise students, the El Camino College Foundation recently adopted a new laptop loan program

for all ECC students currently participating in the South Bay Promise program. Through the Schauerman Library, students can borrow brand new tablet devices for up to a semester at a time. These same students can continue to use the tablets each semester that they are successfully enrolled in the South Bay Promise, with the caveat of using them only for ECC course work.



Just in time, these laptops are also being loaned to students as the campus transitions to online learning due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Many students utilize the library and computer labs on campus in order to complete homework and class projects, however, those facilities are no longer open as the campus closed on March 19 in observation of California's statewide stay-at-home order. Students may borrow the laptop for the remainder of the spring semester, and also for summer classes which will also be in the online format.

“A computer is a vital part of learning and going to college. However, many students can’t afford a computer and attempt to do their homework on their cell phones. All students should have the opportunity to participate fully in school, and finances shouldn’t be a barrier.”

—Foundation Executive Director Andrea Sala

Viewed as an investment in its students, the Foundation purchased 100 Microsoft Surface Go tablets. With the help of the Information Technology department, the Microsoft Office suite of programs was installed on all devices. The IT department will also provide computer support and subsequently “clean” all devices when returned to the library. Should the tablet become lost or damaged outside of normal wear and tear, the student will be held accountable similar to a library book. A ‘hold’ will be placed on their account until a nominal fee is paid.

Although program details are still evolving and improving, so far, the laptop loan program has proven successful.

El Camino College Foundation South Bay Promise Funding Opportunities

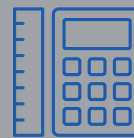
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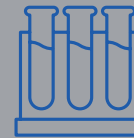
100 tablets for the Laptop Loan Program
\$50,000



A set of books for 10 English classes
\$25,000



Books, calculators and online codes for one math class
\$10,000



50 copies of science textbooks for the library
\$5,000



A set of books for one English class
\$2,500



10 calculators for one math class
\$1,000

Gifts of \$5,000 or more will be named on the donor recognition wall. Significant pledge commitments may be paid over multiple years.



For South Bay Promise sponsorship opportunities, please contact the Foundation:

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El Camino College Dean Receives Fulbright Scholar Award

Congratulations to Dr. Amy Grant, Dean of the El Camino College Natural Sciences Division, who recently received a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program award to Russia. Grant is one

“I am so honored to be one of five U.S. community college administrators to be given this opportunity, I’m thrilled to be able to represent El Camino College on the other side of the globe.”

— Dr. Amy Grant

of five U.S. community college administrators to represent their college at various institutions of higher education in Russia as part of a project to create empowering connections with the societal, cultural and higher education systems of other countries.

Grant joins more than 800 U.S. citizens who will teach, conduct research, and/or provide expertise abroad for the

2020-2021 academic year through the prestigious Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program. Recipients of Fulbright awards are selected based on academic and professional achievement, as well as service and leadership in their respective fields.

An El Camino chemistry professor since 1999 and dean since 2015, Grant is very active on campus. She earned a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of California, Irvine, and B.S. degrees in chemistry and biochemistry from Stony Brook University.



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“Dr. Grant's dedication to academia and contributions to her field make a difference in our college community and in the lives of our students,” said El Camino College President Dena P. Maloney. “This Fulbright Scholar Award is well deserved, and we look forward to Dr. Grant's continued success.”

The Fulbright Program is the U.S. government's flagship international educational exchange program and is designed to build lasting global connections between the United States and other countries.

Haseeb Khan Is Reaching Higher



Haseeb Khan has a mission: to create awareness about attending community college. “I want to spread the word that community college is a very realistic option to get you where you want to go,” he said recently. “I want to fight against the

stigma of community college.” Haseeb attended a local high school where being Pakistani was not the norm, and he felt it. Upon his arrival at El Camino, he was happy to be surrounded by so much diversity from around the world. He finally felt at home.

Haseeb got involved immediately at El Camino as a student ambassador, where he could meet other students and help make them feel at home too. He works at the Warrior Welcome Center, student help desk, and attends outreach events at local high schools to spread the news that El Camino will help students succeed.

Upon his arrival at ECC, he was chosen to participate in Better Make Room, part of the Reach Higher Initiative, Former First Lady Michelle Obama's effort to inspire every student in the U.S. to take charge of their future by completing their education past high school, whether



“Thank you for granting me with this generous scholarship. Fighting against the stigma of community colleges on an international scale while representing El Camino has brought me great joy. I want to thank you once again for gifting me the opportunity to do more with what I now have.”

— Haseeb Kahn

at a professional training program, a community college, or a four-year college or university.

In collaboration with Michelle Obama and ATTN:, Reach Higher is producing a new Instagram TV (IGTV) series called “A Year of Firsts.” From February 2020 through June 2020, the series will follow four freshman college students from different parts of the United States and different

backgrounds -- including our own Haseeb -- as they navigate their first year of college and share a bit of their own journeys.

Every day he submits content in video form that is then edited and shared via Michelle Obama's social media. He was also asked to submit a few articles during this time. Although it's his story, it really is El Camino's story as well. In order to help Haseeb with his college expenses, the ECC Foundation recently awarded him a scholarship so he can take full advantage of his years at El Camino and lessen his work load. You can follow Haseeb's story on Instagram at @elcaminoedu.



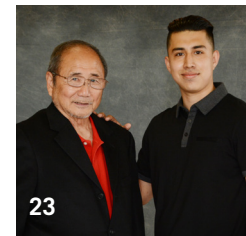


It's Scholarship Season

Spring has sprung which means it's scholarship season again at the Foundation! Thank you to our donors and friends for supporting the students of El Camino. The pictures here bring back fond memories of the 2019 Scholarship Awards Ceremony and represent many of our scholarships awarded annually. Unfortunately, this year's Scholarship Awards Ceremony has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We look forward to celebrating again in spring 2021!

- 1 Sergeant Kirk Johnston Memorial Scholarship
- 2 Nils Johnson Scholarship
- 3 Lorna Kate & Jennifer Worrell Music Scholarship
- 4 Scholarship for Student Success
- 5 Frances Ford Scholarship for Nursing
- 6 Noreen Noel Memorial Scholarship for Nursing
- 7 Marilyn and Austin Anderson Scholarship for Teachers
- 8 Barbara Riser Scholarship
- 9 Barth Family Endowed Scholarship
- 10 Pauline Adalian Memorial Scholarship
- 11 Dr. Christopher J. Mello Memorial Endowed Scholarship
- 12 Dr. John Tyo Memorial Scholarship
- 13 Marian McCandless Buck PEO Memorial Scholarship
- 14 Dr. Nadine Ishitani Hata Memorial Scholarship
- 15 AFCEA Los Angeles Chapter Scholarship
- 16 Human Development Scholarship for Excellence

- 17 Manhattan Beach Rotary Scholarship
- 18 Neptunian Women's Club of Manhattan Beach Scholarship
- 19 Roadium Scholars Scholarship
- 20 Andrew Reed Cummings Memorial Scholarship
- 21 Riviera Garden Scholarship
- 22 Rede Family Scholarship
- 23 Automotive Technology Scholarship
- 24 Surendra and Kala Jain Foundation Scholarship
- 25 Patrick Breckheimer Memorial Scholarship for Teaching
- 26 Kathy Benz Scholarship
- 27 Norma Jean Kayser Memorial Scholarship
- 28 Ralph and Jean Jenkins Memorial Scholarship
- 29 El Segundo Rotary Community Service Scholarship
- 30 American Honda Scholarship for Success
- 31 Torrance Memorial Medical Center Scholarship



Gymnasium Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting

On and off campus community members gathered Friday, February 21, to celebrate the ribbon-cutting and grand opening of El Camino College's newest campus addition, the impressive \$35 million gymnasium and sports complex. The new gym houses basketball, volleyball and badminton facilities and offers a bird's-eye view of Murdock Stadium and Featherstone Field from its multipurpose fitness space.

The modern fitness facility also features team locker rooms, faculty offices and other essential support spaces. The building's 55,820 square-foot of space also boasts a multipurpose yoga room, state-of-the-art sound system and a projection screen for live games and streaming. Following the ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception, attendees were treated to an athletic showcase, took self-guided tours and competed in free-throw challenges and activities. Funds for construction of the building were community supported through the 2012 Measure E facilities bond.



ECC Forensics Team is Number ONE!

The El Camino College Forensics Team is the number one forensics team in the United States, including two- and four-year institutions! The top schools are as follows:

1. El Camino College
2. University of the Pacific
3. Point Loma Nazarene University
4. UC Berkeley
5. Rice University
6. Concordia University - Irvine
7. Morehouse College
8. University of Minnesota
9. UC San Diego



The Forensics Team also competed at two national tournaments, both held in Lebanon Illinois. El Camino won the community college national championship at both of them—the National Parliamentary Debate Association (NPDA) and National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence (NPTE). Additionally, ECC won the NPDA season long sweepstakes in both the two-year and four-year divisions, which, in short means we beat every university in America! A big congratulations to the Forensics Team!!

In February, the team dominated at the Sunset Cliffs Invitational at Point Loma Nazarene University. On the way to winning Community College Sweepstakes, Alexandra Vandenberg was named top Community College debater, securing a \$3,000 scholarship. Additionally, El Camino won the junior division in debate, having three of the top four teams.

2020 Distinguished Alumni Call for Nominations



Distinguished Alumni Award

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Pictured from left: 2018 distinguished alumnus Dan Keenan; ECC Foundation Executive Director Andrea Sala; distinguished alumnus former Assemblymember Rocky Chavez; distinguished alumna Sherry Kramer; Gratitude Award recipient Frances Ford; ECC Superintendent/President Dena P. Maloney; Gratitude Award recipient Edison International/Southern California Edison, represented by Connie Turner; and ECC Foundation Board President Mark Waronek. Distinguished alumni not pictured: Brian Wilson.

The El Camino College Foundation is pleased to recognize the accomplishments of our alumni through the Distinguished Alumni program. Many of our alumni are highly respected in the community and have achieved great success in their careers and lives. We are honored to acknowledge these individuals and remember the strong educational foundation El Camino College provided them as they embarked on their professional journey.

Nominations for induction into the Distinguished Alumni of El Camino College for 2020 are now being accepted. Anyone who wishes to nominate a former student for this award may do so by completing a nomination form, found at www.elcaminocollegefoundation.org.

Thank you for helping us honor deserving individuals in our community. Go Warriors!

Dearest Andrea Sala,
I felt stranded on an island alone. I felt that things were just going to be that way for me. Then you reached out to me and when you saw me again you followed up with me. I thought your words would be like the others, just meaningless attempts. But you made it happen and showed me that I am no longer on an island but in a community called El Camino. I will always remember your kindness to me.

Sincerely,

Ms. Andrea,
I am so grateful for you! You don't understand how much you changed the course of the semester. I was very close to giving up but because of your help, I will be completing this semester. I appreciate you and the work that you do from the bottom of my heart. I will never forget you.

Thank you,

You make such a beautiful difference. You give from your generous heart and my heart is so grateful for you!

Thank you

Student Letters of Gratitude

Dear Ms. Sala,
I am incredibly grateful for the scholarship that I received this semester. It's not easy committing to go to school full-time on a 10 hrs/wk work life, with no financial aid and no family financial support - but I have a dream that eats at me every day that I can't ignore. It took a lot of faith to go forward, especially when in previous semesters I didn't feel like people at El Camino really cared and I felt petty alone here. I am beyond grateful that I no longer feel alone and that with you and Dr. Nachef I really have people in my corner here. The scholarship I received has given me a huge relief financially and has helped me get 1 step closer towards succeeding here, at El Camino, and wherever I transfer to and in the rest of the world, hopefully affecting and changing many peoples' lives. Thank you for helping me with that! God bless you!

Sincerely,



Congratulations to El Camino College Warrior Athletes!

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Intercollegiate Programs



450+

Student Athletes

Academic Success Fall 2019

178

Student Athletes Above 3.0 GPA

25

Student Athletes Above 4.0

88

Student Athletes on Dean's List

8 PROGRAMS

Qualified for CCCAA Scholar Team Award

10 TEAMS

3.0+ Cumulative GPA Fall 2019

Team Accomplishments



- Men's Soccer: CCCAA Elite 8 — Best Finish Since 2006
- Men's Water Polo: CCCAA Playoffs — Best Season Since 1993
- Women's Volleyball: 5th in State/SCC Conf. Champs —
- Football: Patriotic Bowl Champions —
- Men's Cross Country: 9th in State —
- Women's Basketball: SCC Conference Champions —
- Softball: SCC Conference Champions —
- Baseball: 2nd State/SCC Champions —
- Beach Volleyball: 3rd in State —
- Women's Tennis: SCC Conference Champ — 2nd in Doubles at State
- Men's Track & Field: 5th Place State —
- Men's Volleyball: 3rd State/WSC Champions —

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