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- · One-time gift of cash
- · Recurring gifts
- · Matching gifts
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Montana residents considering a planned gift may wish to take advantage of the revised "Montana Income Tax Credit for Endowed Philanthropy." The following tax credits are available through 2019.

The credit available for individuals making "qualified" planned gifts to Montana endowments will be 40 percent of the charitable portion of the gift. The direct credit available to corporations and "pass through" entities will be 20 percent of the value of gifts to Montana endowments.

The Montana Tax Credit for Endowed Philanthropy still provides an amazing incentive for charitable Montanans to promote the common good in their communities while

significantly reducing their tax liability. Compare the cost for an individual in the 35 percent federal tax bracket making a \$20,000 qualifying planned gift to the MSU Billings Foundation with and without the tax credit:

	Gift WITH Tax Credit	Gift WITHOUT Tax Credit
Value of Charitable Gift	\$20,000	\$20,000
Less: MT Tax Credit	(\$8,000)	(\$2,200)
Fed Tax Savings	(\$7,000)	(\$7,000)
Net Cost of Gift	\$5,000	\$10,800

To learn how you can utilize the Motana Income Tax Credit, contact Jon Egeland, Chief Financial Officer, at 406.657.2244.

FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO, BILL KENNEDY

A new school year is underway at Montana State University Billings, and it looks to be a year of excitement, growth, and vision. Welcome to our 90th year!

From the enthusiastic new freshmen class to the seniors eagerly anticipating graduation, the positive buzz on campus - and in the Billings community - is overwhelming. Nelson Mandela said, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Our world is changing and MSU Billings is on the cutting edge of that transformation with nationally recognized faculty, research projects, and programs. We're excited about the educational developments here at MSU Billings, and we're excited about helping students access those opportunities and creating more.

In this day and age, the ability to afford an education is on each of our students' minds. I am pleased to report that in fiscal year 2015-2016 the Foundation received \$2,948,139 in gifts and investments and spent \$2,826,370 to aid the University and its students. The generosity of our donors gives hope to our students and makes a real impact. Your support demonstrates that MSU Billings is more than a university; we are the 'Jacket Family.

The Foundation's mission calls upon us to support the students in our University today while preparing for the students who will walk through our doors tomorrow. Central to that aim is the funding and construction of the Yellowstone Science and Allied Health Building. Since taking over the leadership of the Foundation, I have made the Yellowstone Building my highest priority. Sixty-four percent of the total campaign goal has been raised to date - that's \$11.4 million. We asked our faculty and staff to demonstrate their support for this project, and the reception on campus has been phenomenal with some departments boasting 100 percent participation already. One by one, we're getting the Yellowstone Building done.

Know that the Yellowstone Building is the first in a series of developments at MSU Billings that will enhance our University's competitiveness and train students to meet the job demands of the next century.

So I invite you to read the MSU Billings Foundation's 2015-2016 Honor Roll of Donors and Annual Report and gain insight into the generous contributors and success stories of our 'Jacket Family. You'll find in these pages a recounting of how powerful one person, one business, even one gift can be.

Thank you for being a part of building our future and creating the legacy that MSU Billings is the "crown jewel" of our community and Eastern Montana.



CORE PURPOSE

To help Montana State University Billings achieve excellence.

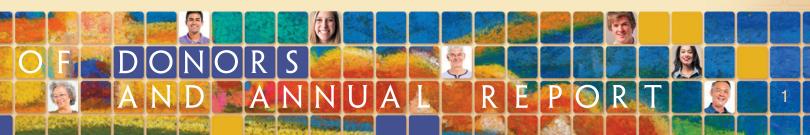
MISSION

Montana State University Billings Foundation advances the goals of Montana State University Billings through the solicitation, investment, and stewardship of financial support for the University. The Foundation promotes philanthropy, campus and community partnerships, and educational opportunities.

CORE VALUES

- Perseverance
- Stewardship
 Excellence





FROM THE CHAIR, DAVE WARNE

Crack! Crack! Crack! Three pistol shots rang out at point-blank range. Three young Muslim girls slumped to the floor of the open-ended, canvas-covered school bus. The first victim didn't have a chance to answer the shooter's question: "Who is Malala?"

That shot to the head was almost deadly, but after extensive surgery the victim recovered and became the youngest-ever Nobel Peace Prize recipient. In the book, *I Am Malala* this remarkable girl recounts her struggles in modern-day Afghanistan to go to school. Little did the Taliban know that their actions would ignite a worldwide firestorm about the right of girls in Afghanistan to an education.

Since the shooting in 2013, Malala has recovered and is living with her family in England where she is still going to school. She said, "People prayed to God to spare me, and I was spared for a reason – to use my life for helping people." She has already made a difference, and one day she will return to Afghanistan to make an even greater impact.

After reading Malala's story and learning of her parents' support, I am reminded of my parents' devotion to education. Both were first generation college graduates. Dad taught at Eastern Montana College for 28 years. Mom finished her degree at EMC and then taught in the Billings schools. She was a caring and supportive teacher. Just two years ago I learned from friends that their son had had Mom as a fourth grade teacher. After the first week he stated to his parents, "When I grow up, I want to be a teacher just like Mrs. Warne." He did. Steve started his first teaching job in Thermopolis, Wyo., in 1978.

While teaching, Mom joined an honorary sorority of women teachers, Alpha Delta Kappa. Through mostly garage sales, this organization raised money for scholarships which they awarded annually. Then when Bob's IGA started a fundraising effort based on return of sales receipts, Mom worked hard to build a network to collect those receipts. Over the years

she earned thousands of dollars of "free money," as she called it. Mom passed two years ago, but not before the ADK group established a \$17,000 scholarship endowment at the MSU Billings Foundation. Mom's phone calls and envelopes of receipts changed lives and will continue to do so in perpetuity. Although not as dramatic as Malala's story, this, too, reflects the power of one person.

It is certainly the influence of our parents that encouraged my wife and me to fund two scholarships for non-traditional education majors at Montana State University Billings. We, as benefactors, take some things on faith when we establish scholarships. We may never know the scope of our influence, but we know in our hearts that the help is needed.

That's the thing about making a difference. Sometimes the results are immediate, like the world's reaction to Malala's shooting, and sometimes the results are discovered after many years, like the knowledge that my mom helped guide a young boy toward a career in education. Often, "making a difference" is a private moment unknown to the benefactor – maybe tears of joy shed over a scholarship award letter or strengthened resolve beneath the burdens of school, work, and family. As donors we bank on people we've never met to shape lives in ways we will never fully comprehend. We work on behalf of others for a future we will not see. Like my mom, we know it is a sound investment.

It will take vision and effort to create a University for the next century, every person doing what she or he can do through financial contributions, vocal support, or volunteer work. The pages of the 2015-2016 Honor Roll of Donors and Annual Report hold examples of 'Jacket Family members doing just this. I hope their stories inspire you.



FROM THE CHANCELLOR, DR. MARK NOOK

Friends and supporters of Montana State University Billings, THANK YOU! Thank you for your commitment of time, dollars, and enthusiasm for Montana State University Billings, Eastern Montana's state university. Our University started as Eastern Montana Normal

School, but it wouldn't have opened the doors to its first class if it hadn't been for a very generous gift of land from a group of Billings leaders. Our University began, grew, and is sustained through the generosity of people who care about the future of Eastern Montana and the role MSU Billings plays to assure that it is a prosperous future. Thank you for being one of those that cares about the students we serve, their future, and the future of our region.

This fall MSU Billings welcomed its 90th freshman class, a significant milestone. I have met many of the students in this class and they aren't that different from Shirley Voyta '35, Mitch Marks '84, and Paul Husted BS '77, MS '80 whom you will read about in the pages that follow. They may come from Montana or travel here from far away, but they know that MSU Billings will provide a foundation for their future with a great education and lasting friendships that will impact their lives forever. They are excited about what the next four years hold for them as Yellowjackets. Shirley, Mitch, and Paul are making sure that students can continue to have these opportunities through their support of scholarships for future Yellowjackets.

Through the generous support of donors like Western Security Bank, we are able to continue to improve the quality of the education we offer our students. Support from Western Security Bank made it possible for us to open the Western Security Bank Technology Enhanced Interactive Learning (TEIL) room (see pages 4 and 5), a space where students can connect across the room or around the world. This is a place where learning occurs in a connected, real-time, technologically advanced setting.



Our highest priority is raising the funds needed to construct the Yellowstone Science and Allied Health Building. We are nearly there and, under the leadership of Bill Kennedy and the staff at the MSU Billings Foundation, there is renewed confidence that we will reach our goal soon. The Yellowstone Building is the cornerstone of the foundation we are building for our next century. It is a building that will provide needed laboratory, classroom, and research space for students and faculty, and because of this, it will help us better attract students by providing well-designed spaces to learn and a new look to our university campus. Yellowstone Science and Allied Health Building will help us prepare tomorrow's graduates to enter the high-tech science and allied health fields ready to make a positive impact.

Thank you for your dedication to helping MSU Billings continue to provide a quality education to the students of Montana. We know these students will be the leaders of our communities in just a few short years. We are committed to educating them so that they are ready to take on the challenges they will face in their careers, their communities, and their personal lives. Your support for students, faculty and staff, and facilities makes it possible for us to continue to make a difference in their lives and in the quality of life in Billings and Eastern Montana.

'Jackets Proud!



CORPORATE GIVING

WESTERN SECURITY BANK GIFT HARNESSES TECH FOR SYNERGISTIC LEARNING

Montana State University Billings College of Business and MSU Billings Foundation launched a state-of-the-art Technology Enhanced Interactive Learning (TEIL) Room October 5, 2016, thanks to a generous gift by Western Security Bank, a division of Glacier Bank.

"At Western Security Bank we've had a long relationship with MSU Billings," said Western Security Bank President Mike Seppala at the ribbon cutting. "We look to this institution for our staffing needs and for a lot of other needs, too. The impact this University can have is so great."

The TEIL Room mimics an environment similar to what students will encounter in their careers – team-based groups utilizing technology to innovate and leverage solutions. Six collaborative tables with six seats, each outfitted with Cisco SX20 and WebEx integration, allow students to share documents and presentations. This is the second time Western Security Bank has supported a major technological development to benefit students at MSU Billings.

"Isn't it great we're involved with a University that wants to give its students the opportunities and tools they need to succeed? And that's really what this is all about," said Seppala.

Western Security Bank's support of the TEIL Room is a natural fit for the bank group given its long-standing history of community involvement and roster of MSU Billings alumni in its employ. The room was christened the Western Security Bank TEIL Room in MSU Billings College of Business.

"We know from our experience with the other TEIL room that students are more engaged in a facility like this. They are not only more engaged, they learn better. And when they learn better, their grades are better," said Dr. Barbara Wheeling, Dean of the College of Business. "But it's more than just learning the content. You can see by how this is configured that students are learning in groups, so they're learning how to collaborate and engage in teamwork. These are the kinds of things they'll take to the workplace."

Wheeling said her vision would be that every student in the College of Business would have at least one class in this room.

Bryan Kern, a senior accounting student, said the room helps students gain "soft skills" – learning how to discuss and present to a group, while using technology, and work as a team to resolve conflict. It also affords students the opportunity to get it wrong.



A plaque denotes Western Security Bank's generous support of the

Bryan Kern, a senior accounting student, shared his experience using the TEIL Room.

"I think it's important to note students need to make mistakes here where the costs are low and learn from those mistakes," said Kern. "I know the TEIL Room is enhancing my education and I know it's enhancing other students' education."

Chancellor Dr. Mark Nook noted the TEIL Room is just one piece of building a prepared and capable student. Nook commended MSU Billings instructors for "stepping up and learning that technology and figuring out how they can make a difference in students' lives through that technology, through their teaching techniques, through their pedagogy. Our faculty makes sure the students aren't just ready to take that first job, but are ready to move into leadership positions because of the experiences they've had here at MSU Billings."

THE FUTURE OF LEARNING IS TEIL

The TEIL (Technology Enhanced Interactive Learning) Room provides an active learning environment within the classroom and additionally connects faculty and students outside of the classroom. This builds a virtual collaboration group consisting of classroom students, content providers, and students from off-campus. It enhances faculty resources in a flipped classroom where the faculty can spend valuable time with the students solving problems.

The design is distinctive by combining the established idea of collaborative group problem solving, adding the notion of video connectedness between the student collaboration groups, faculty member, and off-campus students. The student is then connected to their collaborative group, other classroom groups, off-campus students, faculty member, and other off-campus content resources. This is accomplished by collaborative furniture containing document and video sharing technologies, telepresense equipment connecting and managing all the work group tables electronically, and faculty development.

Room specifications:

- 6 collaborative tables with Steelcase furniture with 6 seats and pucks, one Cisco SX20 per table.
- 6 Virtual pucks to connect to video system for document sharing.
- 1 SX80 at the front of the room for instructor and general presentations.



- WebEx integration with the room as a whole and each table.
- Technology support for each classroom during sessions.
- Pedagogical support for the faculty in developing their teaching methodology.



Karen Fagg

Terry Payne



Dr. Nicholas Wolte

FAILURE, ENCOURAGEMENT, SUCCESS AT THE HEART OF 'AN EVENING WITH...'

Now in its third year, "An Evening With..." fall fundraiser featured actor, author, director and producer Henry Winkler as the keynote speaker.

Winkler's portrayal of "The Fonz" for 10 seasons on Happy Days (1974-1984) made him one of the most recognized actors in the world, winning two consecutive Golden Globe Awards and three Emmy nominations for Best Actor in a Comedy Series. But it's the series of children's novels he began writing in 2003 of which Winkler is most proud. The books are inspired by Winkler's struggle throughout his education due to his learning challenges and have appeared on several best seller lists including *The New York Times* and *The Los Angeles Times*.

Starring protagonist Hank Zipzer, the World's Greatest Underachiever, the series starts with Hank's first day of fourth grade and follows his trials and triumphs with exaggerated comedy and real emotion. Hank, like Winkler and so many other students, deals with failure and frustration, finds encouragement in family and friends, and crafts his own path to success.

The event was October 11, 2016, at the Radisson Hotel Billings.

The event also honored inductees of the Montana State University Billings Montana Business Hall of Fame. The 2016 class comprises Dr. Nicholas Wolter, CEO of Billings Clinic; Karen Fagg, retired president and majority owner of HKM Engineering Inc.; and Terry Payne, founder and chairman of PayneWest Insurance.

The hall of fame is designed to honor, preserve, and perpetuate the names and outstanding accomplishments of Montana business leaders who have enhanced the state's business climate and made significant contributions to their communities.



Henry Winkler





PLANNED AND MAJOR GIVING

SHIRLEY E. VOYTA: A TEACHER'S HEART

On January 5, 2016, Shirley Easton Voyta passed away at age 104. She generously named the MSU Billings Foundation as one of the beneficiaries to an irrevocable trust. With a portion of her gift, the MSU Billings Foundation Board of Trustees established the Shirley E. Voyta Memorial Scholarship Endowment so future MSU Billings education majors would benefit from Shirley's passion for education and desire to help students.

Shirley was born on November 22, 1911, in Fayette, N.D. In 1918, Shirley moved to Montana with her parents and two sisters, and attended high school in Fromberg. Like many of today's students, location and programs available governed Shirley's higher education decisions.

"Shirley chose Eastern Montana College because it was a college that majored in teaching education for a degree, and also because her home was in Billings," explained Shirley's niece, Willeen Erpenbach.

In 1935, Shirley earned her education degree from EMC and began a 35-year career in elementary education. Thirteen years into teaching, Shirley returned to her roots to teach at Eastern (Montana College) Elementary School. While teaching at the on-campus school, she enrolled to earn her master's degree in reading.

"Shirley had a strong ethic to mentor and teach students how to teach. She had many student teachers over the years, many of whom she kept contact with," said Erpenbach. "Shirley was always up for a challenge."

Shirley was a charter member of XI Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and a long-time member of the Yellowstone Valley Retired Educators. As one of the original members of the MSU Billings Foundation's McMullen Golden Years Scholarship Selection Committee, Shirley served on the committee from 1986 to 2012. Still sharp in mind and living in her own home, Shirley took pride in being able to serve on the scholarship committee at 100 years old.

"Shirley supported MSU Billings because of her strong belief in education as a way to combat poverty, ignorance and foster a better way of life for those who chose to utilize it," said Erpenbach. "Shirley was a person that, if you were her friend, you were her friend for life! She had friends from children on up to those who were her age. She always knew her neighbors, and they knew her and cared about her. She was very accepting of you no matter whom you were or whatever stage of life you were in. But she always would be quick to help you better yourself or encourage you."

Over their 36 years of marriage, she and her husband, Joe, traveled to almost all of the 50 states in search of places and pictures to augment her teaching. Shirley was a devoted family person and was close to her brothers and sisters whom she outlived. She loved children, especially preschoolers.

"She never had children of her own, but all her students were 'her children,'" recalled Erpenbach. "Shirley was especially proud of her great-great niece, Sienna, who is now three and half."

True to her teacher's heart, Shirley lived to see the joy of discovery brighten another's eyes, be they a small child grasping their first letters or student teachers preparing for their own classrooms. Her gift assures that generations of learners will have access to education. The first scholarship will be awarded in academic year 2017-2018.



Shirley E. Voyta at age 32 and later in life.

PLANNED GIVING HONORARY CLUB

BEARDSLEY OCILIY OF MSU BILLINGS FOUNDATION

We extend heartfelt gratitude to the following members of MSU Billings Foundation's Beardsley Society.

Membership in the Beardsley Society requires that MSU Billings Foundation be included in your gift planning, e.g., your will, living trust, charitable remainder trust, charitable gift annuity, life estate agreement, charitable lead trust, life insurance policy, or commercial annuity.

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† Deceased





ANNUAL GIVING

MAKING HIS MARK ONE GIFT AT A TIME

Hailing from Glasgow, Mont., Mitch Marks '84 selected Eastern Montana College (now Montana State University Billings) because it suited his needs as a rural high school student seeking entrance to the business world.

"I chose EMC for a few reasons. First, it was relatively close to where my parents lived. It was still in Eastern Montana," explained Mitch. "I wanted a small school, coming from a rural community. It was affordable, it was convenient, I had friends who were going there, and it had a business school."

He was soon embraced by the 'Jacket Family.

"There are lots of memories from EMC, from the dorms to the classrooms to the friendships I built," Mitch recalled. "Sue Hart was one of my favorites. And people like Jim Friguglietti, Dawn Chesarek, and Harry Gaghen. I did some work-study for the academic vice president's office, and that was interesting."

Following graduation, having earned a general business degree with banking emphasis, Mitch applied with First Bank (now US Bank) to work in Billings. No openings were available in the state, so he took a position in Rapid City, S.D., then Sioux Falls, S.D., and finally Minneapolis, Minn., as a Technology Evaluation / Implementation Manager. Though his career took him far from Big Sky Country, Mitch has not forgotten his roots.

"MSU Billings helped me in my career and to earn the money I've earned over the last 32 years," said Mitch, remarking on his giving history which reaches back to 1987. "It's my way of paying back the community. I am a believer of supporting those entities you either use or enjoy."

Initially, Mitch contributed to the Nicola Freeman Women's Studies Book Scholarship, in honor of mentor and friend Sue Hart, and the Harold H. Winter Memorial Endowed Scholarship. In 2000, Mitch put his entire giving focus on the Winter Endowment, which serves business majors who have financial need and are enrolled full time.

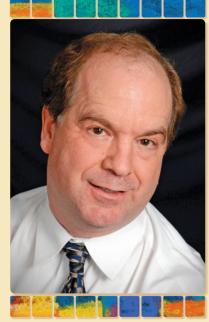
"Many years ago I didn't have enough money to set up a named endowment of my own, but I wanted to make sure my gift helped in perpetuity, so I invested in the Harold Winter Endowment that funds scholarships for the business school," said Mitch.

While the MSU Billings Foundation reaches out to alumni in a variety of ways, Mitch prefers to hear from the students themselves.

"I like the phonathon because I get to talk to students and find out what's going on, why they're going to school, and what their interests are," he said. "I always donate once a year, usually in the fall. I make sure I do it before tax planning – and I make sure my employer matches my gift."

Extensions of corporate philanthropy, matching gift programs are designed to be the means by which companies support employee charitable giving. As an example, US Bank will match employees' charitable giving up to \$1,000.

Mitch urges others to research this philanthropic magnifier. "It's like a match on your



Mitchell Marks

401 K. It's free money that doesn't cost you but doubles your gift," Mitch advised.

He also commended MSU Billings' commitment to access. "I believe MSU Billings provides a quality education at a reasonable price," said Mitch. "If a student really wants an education, they can do it."

And Mitch is making sure they get that chance.

To participate in Annual Giving, please contact the MSU Billings Foundation at 406.657.2244, 888.430.6782, foundation@msubillings.edu, or visit msubfoundation.com.



Students staff the MSU Billings Foundation Phonathon each fall and spring.



Through the generous support of alumni, friends, and businesses, the Annual Drive for Excellence at Montana State University Billings provides educational enhancements and allows the University to change people's lives.

"Your gift, of whatever amount, to the Annual Drive positively impacts students, faculty, and academic programs," said Shannon Behounek, Director of Annual Giving & Publications. "Gifts to the Annual Drive for Excellence are most effective when they can be used for current needs, but they may be restricted to a particular college, program, or scholarship."

The Annual Drive for Excellence is comprised of different outreach methods, including:

PHONATHON

Staffed by an MSU Billings student calling team, the Phonathon is a crucial component of MSU Billings Foundation's Annual Drive for Excellence. Students engage live during a personal call to ask thousands of alumni to financially support the University, answer questions about the student experience, and update alumni on campus news. The 2016-2017 Phonathon will begin after the presidential election.

MATCHING GIFTS

Did you know it is possible to double or even triple the value of your gift to MSU Billings if your company matches employee contributions to higher education? Many companies also match the gifts of retirees, spouses, and surviving spouses. Visit msubfoundation.com/ways-to-give/make-a-gift/ to search for your employer's giving program.

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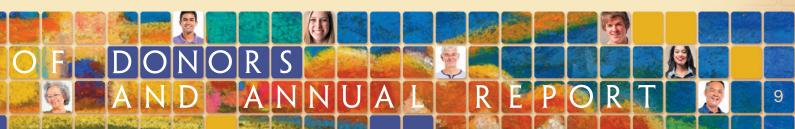
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ENDOWMENTS

ART - AND EDUCATION - FOR EVERYONE

Connie Landis had a genuine heart, a listening ear, a gentle touch, and an encouraging voice. Her laugh was infectious, often triggered by her wicked sense of humor. She had an adventurous spirit and an artist's eye. These are the brushstrokes with which she painted life.

She had a passion for all things art. To this passion Connie devoted herself, first teaching as a roving elementary art teacher in Wisconsin, then moving to Billings where she taught high school art at Billings West High School.

"She always felt art was the neglected step-child, in a sense, compared to math or science. And she felt that art was extremely important to all people, not just those talented at it. Art is for everybody," recounted husband Bob.

In 1978, Connie became a professor at Eastern Montana College (now Montana State University Billings) teaching both in the art and education departments. "She wanted to teach higher education, so the two worked together – EMC and her desires," said Bob.

At 44 she earned a doctorate in art education at the

University of Wisconsin which prepared her to teach future elementary teachers and art majors how to teach art. Her passion was then magnified many times.

"It opened her eyes to art education at a higher level," said Bob. In her 36 years at MSU Billings, Connie earned multiple teaching awards and became the chair of the art department.

In the classroom Dr. Landis insisted on projects relevant to the young teacher's needs. She also insisted that written work must not only have content but also be grammatically correct. She mixed her high expectation with a good deal of fun, believing learning goes best when one can enjoy the experience.

Across the years, Connie touched the lives of so many – the students she was honored to teach, the teachers she was privileged to mentor, the friends she treasured, and the family she loved.

"The scholarship was her idea. When we wrote out our wills ten years ago that was a very important part of it," remarked Bob. "Connie was interested in continuing education at every level, whether it was elementary, secondary, or college. The scholarship is a way of helping young people become like her – to become teachers and to help spread art."

In August 2015, Connie was stolen by cancer.

In her memory and in fulfillment of her last great work, her husband Bob established the Connie Landis Memorial Scholarship Endowment at Montana State University Billings to provide financial assistance to art and elementary education majors for years to come. The first scholarship was awarded for academic year 2016-2017.

A quote, attributed to Edgar Degas, a French painter and one of the founders of Impressionism, states, "Art is not what you see, but what you can make others see." Connie showed the 'Jacket Family a world made vibrant by inclusiveness, access, and encouragement. The Landis' gift will color the lives of educators and artists for generations.

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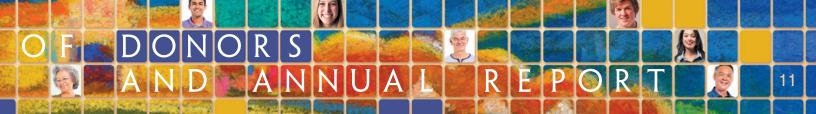
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LEADERSHIP GIVING

PAUL HUSTED: HELPING PEOPLE HELP THEMSELVES

Bachelor's degree in secondary education, 1977. Master's degree in special education, 1980. Montana State University Billings Distinguished Alumnus, 2016. Mentor. Trustee. Pioneer. One of the most accomplished advisors in Edward Jones history.

It's easy to list Paul Husted's accomplishments. But more meaningful to Paul and his wife, Lori, are the accomplishments they have facilitated through philanthropic giving and service.

"Our family believes very strongly that if you assist people in helping themselves, they, too, will help others. It is contagious," remarked Paul.

In 1971, Paul Husted graduated from Knoxville High School in Knoxville, Iowa. He went on to attend Marshall Town Community College where he played football for two years and graduated. In the fall of 1972, Eastern Montana College (now MSU Billings) offered Paul a scholarship to attend and play football. This was a life-changing opportunity for the young athlete as he could not afford to attend college.

"I feel I was around coaches, teachers, and counselors who helped and supported me throughout my educational experience. In particular, Coach Mike Harkins, Glenn Iverson, and Doc Smith all had great influence in my life," recalled Paul. "So I, in turn, have tried to pay it forward. We established a scholarship because I feel a responsibility to give back to causes that have the purpose to help others who want to make improvement and grow their educations."

Paul parlayed his experience as an athlete and a talent for sales into a career with Edward Jones, where he is recognized in the organization as a corporate and industry trailblazer as well as an influential leader in the investment industry in Montana.

"I learned at an early age that athletics could have a very positive influence on how you set goals, and that hard work in the classroom and on the athletic field will teach you a great deal about how to be successful in life," Paul explained. "I found the principles I learned from coaches and teachers, when applied properly to my business, led to great success in my work at Edward Jones."

Now the couple is "paying it forward" through the Husted Endowed Scholarship at MSU Billings for business and finance students hailing from Great Falls. But the Husteds' devotion to access and excellence extends beyond the 'Jacket Family.

"Our family has a passion for educating and supporting young people who want to help themselves. Our greatest passion

over the last 25 years has been Compassion International, through which we have provided education, health, and spiritual growth to young people in Africa, Philippines, and Latin America," said Paul. "We established a scholarship with the Great Falls Public School Foundation and a Register Nursing Scholarship with Benefis Health Care Foundation."

Paul considers MSU Billings a hidden gem – one that he, his classmates, and all scholarship recipients have a responsibility to support and promote.

"Alumni should never forget the people who influenced us at MSU Billings. At that time, people were paying it forward to us and now we have an opportunity to do the same," he said. "We need to let other communities know more about all of the different programs of study offered. I feel Chancellor Nook is leading the University in a new direction, and I am very excited to see what happens."

The Husteds live in Great Falls, Mont., and are the proud parents of Erin, Anna, and Jordan.

To participate in Leadership Giving, please contact the MSU Billings Foundation at **406.657.2244**, **888.430.6782**, **foundation@msubillings.edu**, or visit **msubfoundation.com**.



Paul Husted, pictured with Director of Alumni Relations Sarah Brockel '02 and '09, was recognized March 18, 2016 as MSU Billings Distinguished Alumnus in recognition of his personal, professional, and civic contributions, while bringing a sense of honor, pride, and recognition to the University community.



WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL

RAISE A GLASS TO A REMARKABLE VOLUNTEER

Dr. Joe Howell, a mathematician and philosopher by study and genial conversationalist by nature, put forth his reasons for supporting the MSU Billings Foundation Wine & Food Festival in four simple parts.

"Sponsorship of an event, like Daring Pairing or Wine Studies, is basically a scholarship contribution in disguise. That is important and makes you feel good," he asserted. "Secondly, you are recognized for that. So all of your friends know you've done something important. You're entitled to feel good and maybe they feel good being with you."

Thirdly, he said, you get to buy tickets early. Given the popularity of the events, that is a significant perk.

"And fourthly," said Joe, "it's tax deductible. Sponsorship is a wonderful way to show support for the Wine & Food Festival, for the University, and for students. It does a lot of good!"

It's a good pitch, and it should be given Joe has had 25 years to hone his talking points as one of the Festival's longeststanding volunteers. To be fair, the former Dean feels a deep

passion for the University that has shaped so much his life.

Joe and Jane Howell moved to Billings in 1980 when Joe began teaching in the Eastern Montana College Math Department. Jane began working in the campus library in 1982.

"We were looking to go someplace smaller and with a better climate, back to the mountains," said Joe. "It was location as much as everything, but also the people. We really liked the people when we got to Billings."

Joe, who holds a doctorate in mathematics from the University of Denver, earned his Bachelor's in math and philosophy from the University of Bristol in England and was chair of the math department from 1984 until his retirement in 2008, taking two years off to serve as the acting Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. A native Brit, Jane received her master's in library

science from the University of Denver and her bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Leeds in England and was the director of library services at Montana State University Billings from 1990 until her retirement in 2010.

A decade into the Howells' tenure at Eastern Montana College, Jane became instrumental in what is now known as the Wine & Food Festival. Like today, the event's object was to support academic access and excellence.

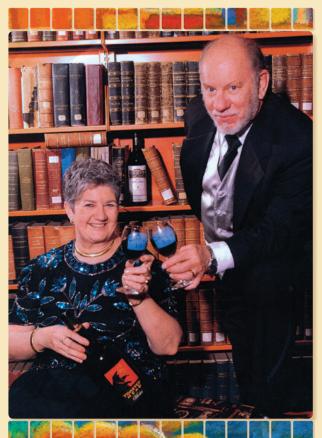
"What was needed was some library money. Jane, as director of the library, was ahead of her time. Our library was the first in the state to get online and form a consortium of libraries that allowed readers to search online – this was OMNI (Outreach Montana: Networked Information). The libraries didn't overlap and this really expanded everything. Automation was a new thing and they needed some money for that," recounted Joe.

"The first festival was not nearly what we have today. It was basically a wine tasting, dinner, and an auction all done in the

tent," Joe recalled. That first event was staffed by Foundation and library volunteers. "When the Foundation settled on a Wine Festival as its fundraiser, Bruce Carpenter, the president of the college at the time, got all of his friends, members of an organization for state university presidents, to provide a bottle of wine produced in their state - 46 at the time," explained Joe. Event organizers drew a map of the United States on a piece of plywood on which they displayed each bottle in its home state.

"That was an auction item Saturday night. The buyer donated it back and we auctioned it again the next year," said Joe. "Jane took the proceeds Friday and Saturday night in a metal box in the back of the campus police car to the night depository. Her children thought that was great that they took Mom away in the cop car."

And so began the Jeanette Tilley Endowment for Library



Jane and Dr. Joe Howell

Excellence. Launched by Jane's work with individual donors and many fundraisers over the years, this endowed fund was established to provide a perpetual source of financial support for the library, now totaling over \$1.3 million as of fiscal year 2015-2016. More recently, this endowment has helped mitigate the lack of appropriate levels of state funding for university libraries.

The initial success of the Wine & Food Festival also set the tone in the years that followed – dedicated volunteers and patrons supporting students through Billings' finest event.

From the start, Joe was a fervent supporter of the Festival, but not an official part of the planning. That changed in the third year when Jane and Joe became involved in the Festival's wine store. It flourished under their management until 2007 when the couple stepped up to co-chair the event, initiating two years of record fundraising. "But I hope somebody breaks that record soon," he said.

Jane conceived and managed the publication of the festival's 15th Anniversary Cookbook in 2007, and Joe has chaired the festival's live auction committee for several years now.

Jane died in 2012, and Joe has continued the work they both held dear.

"I have a lot of friends connected with the Wine & Food Festival, so for me it's keeping on with my life. I worked at MSU Billings for 28 years as a faculty member and dean. I have a commitment to the school," said Joe.

The MSU Billings Foundation offers a variety of giving vehicles. The Wine & Food Festival is Joe's preferred method.

"It's enjoyable to buy something at the auction, so I set some discretionary money aside in my budget," explained Joe. "I can support the various events as a sponsor – that's one way to give – and all that money is almost a direct scholarship contribution. If I didn't give money through the auction, I'd probably directly contribute to the Jane L. Howell Memorial Scholarship Endowment or as a general gift. But I usually manage to 'spend' my philanthropic funds at the Festival."



FROM THE START, JOE WAS A FERVENT SUPPORTER OF THE FESTIVAL, BUT NOT AN OFFICIAL PART OF THE PLANNING. THAT **CHANGED IN THE THIRD** YEAR WHEN JANE AND JOE BECAME INVOLVED IN THE FESTIVAL'S WINE STORE. IT FLOURISHED **UNDER THEIR** MANAGEMENT UNTIL 2007 WHEN THE COUPLE STEPPED UP TO CO-CHAIR THE EVENT, INITIATING TWO YEARS OF RECORD **FUNDRAISING.**

These days, much-needed scholarship support is the goal of classes and tastings spanning a week and culminating in a formal dinner Saturday night.

"I've spent most of my life, in one way or another, in education. Public higher education has gotten expensive, in part because states have cut back in their support. So more and more of the cost falls on the students. Even if the student lives at home, it's still a big expense," said Joe. "It's a lot more expensive nowadays than it used to be to go to school, and it's a lot more important and a lot more people need go to school than they used to.

The economy has changed. It's difficult to get a high-paying career-type job without some form of further education."

And scholarships make accessing an excellent education possible. MSU Billings also attracts a mix of students with unique needs.

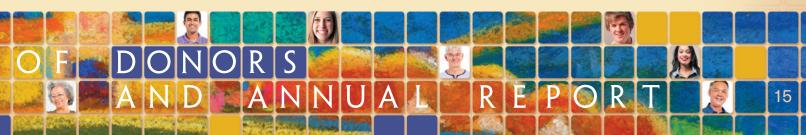
"Most of the students – not all – but most of the students we see here are place-bound. It could be a non-traditional student whose spouse is employed here. It could be a first-generation college student who doesn't have the family

funds to go to Missoula or Bozeman and needs to stay at home and work," explained Joe. "We are the urban university of Montana. We are the largest county and the largest city in the state. We are an important institution. Having that sort of resource in this community is tremendously important, not just for the economy and for employers, but for the people who live here."

Take it from someone who has a long view of MSU Billings and Wine & Food Festival: The ticket price is money well spent.

The Wine & Food Festival is a benefit for the Montana State University Billings Foundation and will take place **May 15-20**, **2017**. Be part of the 25th anniversary event by purchasing tickets, volunteering, or donating to the Wine & Food Festival. Please contact the MSU Billings Foundation at **406.657.2244**, **888.430.6782**, **foundation@msubillings.edu**, or visit winefoodfestival.com.





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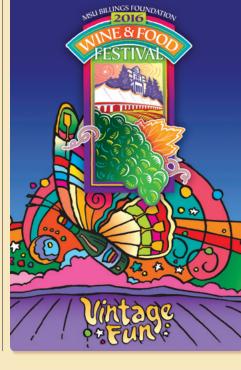
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If the old adage "success breeds success" is true, then the fundraising effort for the Yellowstone Science and Allied Health Building is on a roll. The fall 2016 kickoff of the "I Am In, Ru" Campaign drew over 200 excited and interested people to a barbeque in the Foundation's backyard, all committed to ensuring the building is funded. The majority of faculty and staff have donated to the campaign while other community fundraising energies are bringing in dollars.

"The current science building was built in 1947 when technology was very different for science research and medical care," said Robbie Carpenter, Campaign Director. "We must bring the building up to a 21st century learning and research environment because doing so is necessary for students to be competitive and has real-world applications in our community."

The entire project is estimated to cost \$18 million. The Montana State Legislature has appropriated \$10 million and this money can be accessed once \$5 million has been raised. However, in order to provide the necessary enhanced laboratory facilities and support for student learning, the Foundation Board of Trustees expects a minimum of \$8 million must be raised.

So far, nearly two-thirds of the \$18 million has been raised. A well-developed strategic approach of grant seeking, corporate sponsorships, and targeted asks has been developed and is actively being executed by the Foundation Board of Trustees and staff. However, community support is an absolute necessity for our success.

Call **Robbie Carpenter** at **406.657.2244** today to see how you can join the "I Am In, Ru" Campaign and make this new building a reality.



I AM IN, RU

Central to the Yellowstone Building campaign is a promotional video featuring area business leaders, faculty, and alumni who believe in this important project and what it means to MSU Billings and the community. These are just the few of the voices of support. To view the video, visit msubfoundation.com/ways-to-give/yellowstone-building/.

Contribute to the Yellowstone Building campaign by scanning this code with your smartphone.



"MSU Billings is ten years from its centennial. It's our chance now to take some time and look to our future and decide where this institution is going and where we need to be ten years from now so we can serve Eastern Montana for the next 30 or 40 years following. This building is going to serve careers in healthcare administration, rehabilitation counseling, health and human performances in the allied health fields. In the sciences fields, it will include biology, chemistry, physics, pre-engineering, and pre-medicine."

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"I believe that it's important to provide the professors at MSU Billings who are attempting to generate potentially patentable inventions with the facilities and resources they need, not only to employ students in their labs, but to develop inventions that might lead to spin-off businesses, start-up business, and contribute to economic development in Billings and (Eastern Montana) in particular."



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"Having a facility located in this city to train scientists or future physicians or future medical professionals, who can then return to Billings and practice in the community, is incredibly important."



"We have seen the STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics] programs in the schools really accelerate and if we don't do our part to support the sciences, I really think we're missing an opportunity."



"I think the most important aspect of this is that it's good for our economy here in Billings. We are improving the quality of education and the types of education that can be provided at MSU Billings, and all that provides growth and a quality workforce for our community."







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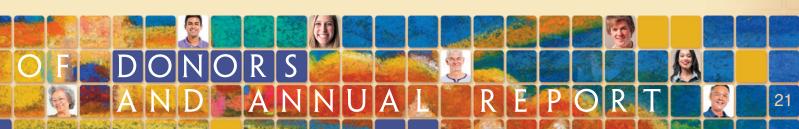
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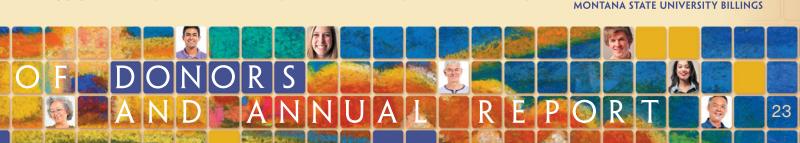
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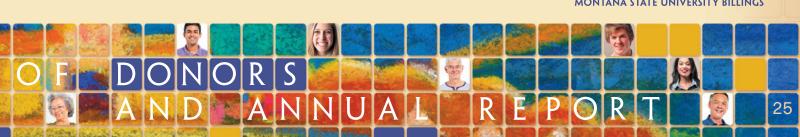
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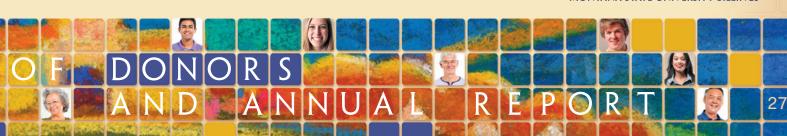
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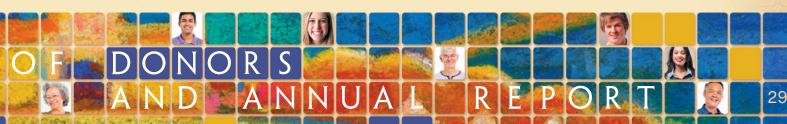
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"Between one-half and two-thirds of Americans do not have a will or plan for the future of their finances, property, and belongings," explained Cindy Millard, former Director of Development. "Planning is not just for the rich and wealthy. Regardless of how much or how little money you have, a will ensures that whatever personal belongings and assets you do have will go to the family, charity, or beneficiaries you designate."

Facilitated by Marsha A. Goetting, PhD, CFP, CFCS, and Extension Family Economics Specialist at Montana State University in Bozeman, the workshops reached over 150 people interested in financial and estate planning. More workshops are planned beginning January 2017.

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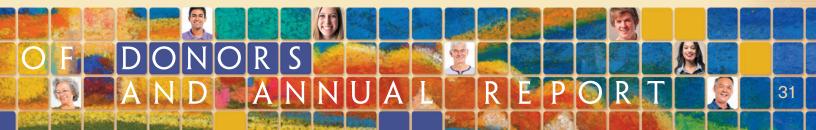
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JUNE 30, 2016 AND 2015

ASSETS:	2016 Total	2015 Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,610,386	\$1,965,842
Contributions receivable		871,500
Accrued investment income	41,711	56,376
Investment in marketable equity securities, at market	15,501,540	15,880,746
Investment in marketable debt securities, at market	8,173,519	8,199,865
Investment in alternative securities	1,075,184	761,315
Other		155,636
Property and equipment, net	1,103,784	1,142,176
Total Assets	\$28,394,115	\$29,033,456
LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$380,416	\$354,850
Accrued leave	22,012	17,318
Student scholarships payable	1,017,469	806,754
Assets held in trust	1,592,804	1,672,775
Total Liabilities	\$3,012,701	\$2,851,697
NET ASSETS:		
Unrestricted		
Undesignated		\$2,381,625
Board designated	2,331,221	2,464,977
	4,467,525	4,846,602
Temporarily restricted	7,102,060	7,927,464
Permanently restricted	13,811,829	13,407,693
Total Net Assets	\$25,381,414	\$26,181,759
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$28,394,115	\$29,033,456

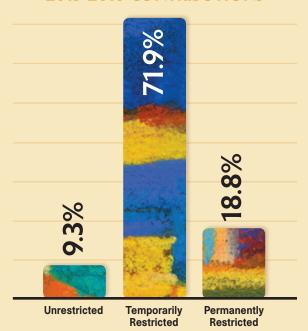
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2016 AND 2015

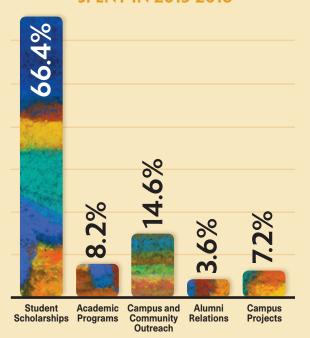
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE:	2016 Total	2015 Total
Contributions	\$2,233,166	\$2,145,679
In-kind contributions		72,274
Interest and dividend income	513,621	542,239
Rental revenue – net of rental expenses	458,985	469,919
Other revenues	143,069	138,429
Total Public Support and Revenue:	3,461,760	3,368,540
PROGRAMS AND EXPENSES Programs:		
Student scholarships	\$1,877,334	\$1,603,230
Academic programs	231,584	204,822
Campus projects		237,074
Campus and community outreach		455,040
Alumni relations	102,625	117,338
Total Programs	\$2,826,370	\$2,617,504
EXPENSES:		
General and administrative	\$160,777	\$194,690
Investment management and audit	146,193	151,220
Facilities and maintenance	36,000	36,000
Fund raising		197,399
Cultivation and stewardship	115,936	135,830
Total Expenses	\$632,338	\$715,139
Total Programs and Expenses	\$3,458,708	\$3,332,643
Public Support and Revenue Less Programs and Expenses	\$3,052	\$35,897
Unrealized and realized net gain (loss) on investments	(\$803,397)	\$322,702
Change in Net Assets	.(\$800,345)	\$358,599
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$26,181,759	\$25,823,160
Net Assets at End of Year	\$25,381,414	\$26,181,759

2015-2016 FINANCIALS

2015-2016 CONTRIBUTIONS



HOW PROGRAM DOLLARS WERE SPENT IN 2015-2016



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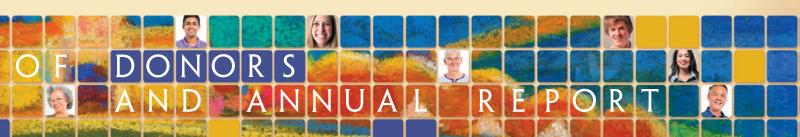
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