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Message from the Chairman

I was a junior at Carson High School when Western Nevada Community College opened its doors in northern Nevada. Little did I know then that 36 years later I would be chairman of the Western Nevada College Foundation Board and that it would be known as Western Nevada College. As one of the founding board members of the WNCC Foundation in 1992, I worked with interim director of development John Borda and the first foundation chair, Gary Sheerin, to identify and prioritize the major tasks that needed to be accomplished to enhance the college. Our priorities back then were building the Douglas Campus, finding monies for Computer Technology and Distance Learning, Scholarships, a Performing Arts Center, and a Trade & Industry Center.

Thanks to benefactors like Don Bently, Andy Butti, the E.L. Cord Foundation, The Hall Family Foundation, Harvey’s Lake Tahoe, Park Cattle Company, the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation, John Sheldon, Woody Wurster, and countless others, many of those priorities have been accomplished.

In recent years, the emphasis has been on increasing student scholarships and the addition of intercollegiate athletics. We started with a rodeo team in Fallon in 2003 and then added men’s baseball and women’s soccer in 2005. The Wingfield Nevada Group donated more than $1 million to construct the John L. Harvey Baseball Stadium in 2006 and it’s one of my goals to see a comparable field built for the women’s soccer program. The foundation also built the Jack C. Davis Observatory with the help of the Nevada Gaming Foundation for Educational Excellence and the Builders Association of Western Nevada, and it attracts hundreds of visitors each month to gaze at the stars and learn about distant galaxies.

Clearly, in its 15-year history, the WNC Foundation has made an indelible mark on the footprint of WNC and the communities of western Nevada. In turn, the community has embraced the college financially as well as with volunteerism. It is my hope that the WNC Foundation will continue to assist the college and help it to maintain a high level of success in educational and cultural pursuits.

On behalf of the WNC Foundation Board of Trustees, I extend a heartfelt thank you to the many individuals and businesses that value education and share in this drive to help others improve their lives.

“Sometimes when we are generous in small, barely detectable ways it can change someone else’s life forever.”

Margaret Cho

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AT&T Donates $10,000 for Student Success Initiative

Recognizing the fact that Nevada ranks low in the rate at which high school students move on to college, the AT&T Foundation has donated $10,000 to support Western Nevada College’s “Bridge to Success” program.

“AT&T is proud to support Western Nevada College and the ‘Technology Bridge to Success’ day as well as other programs that have made it such an asset to so many students and professionals in communities throughout Nevada,” said Hal Lenox, AT&T Nevada president. “We support WNC’s efforts to encourage students to pursue a college education.”

In November, more than 500 high school students will visit WNC and meet with technology instructors in areas of interest. Students will receive information about admission, counseling, financial aid, and registration. Lunch will be provided and students will have a chance to win prizes, including a scholarship to Western.

“This outreach will target minorities who are interested in Western’s occupational programs,” said John Kinkella, dean of Student Services. “These programs lead to high demand, high wage jobs. This grant will be a significant help to us in achieving our goal of increasing minority participation in higher education.”

For more than 60 years, AT&T has committed more than $1.8 billion to philanthropic programs supporting education, community development, the arts, health and human services, and technology access in communities across the country.

Kennametal Donates Scholarship Funds

Western Nevada College students will benefit from an annual $2,640 grant offered by Fallon manufacturer Kennametal. Six $440 scholarships per year will pay fees and tuition for qualified Fallon engineering/science students.

“We have been involved in the community for over 50 years and feel like we need to support higher education in Churchill County,” Kennametal former General Manager Gary Peterson said.

Kennametal former General Manager Gary Peterson hands a $2,640 check to Financial Assistance Director Lori Tiede and Fallon Dean Bus Scharmann that will cover fees and tuition for WNC Fallon students.
Major Grant to Assist Manufacturing Industry

WNC was recently awarded a $101,000 grant from the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation. The grant is designed to develop curriculum and deliver instruction for maintenance workers employed in area manufacturing industries.

Industry representatives in Carson City, Fallon, and Fernley have expressed the need to provide their employees with electrical, instrumentation, mechanical and welding training. While most companies are willing to pay for training, they also desire instruction that won’t interfere with production. WNC is currently in the process of preparing curriculum that is delivered as independent study, web based instruction.

“The DETR funds will help the college assemble a curriculum desperately needed by local companies,” said Bus Scharmann, dean of the Fallon campus and Rural/Workforce Development, and also project director for the grant. “The pay-for-skill model to which most companies agree gives employees the opportunity to move up the career ladder and receive pay raises as they demonstrate additional competencies within the maintenance profession.”

Full-time professor Emily Howarth has developed much of the curriculum. “We are ready to deliver the first courses,” she said. “This fall we are offering a four-credit, entry level maintenance class called Applied Industrial Technology, which will give the student basic instruction in electrical and mechanical skills, as well as controls. The initial class will set the stage for future courses that are still being developed.”

According to Howarth, the spring semester will witness the availability of a second electrical course. All will be structured for online delivery in an effort to avoid interference with an employee’s working schedule and a company’s production goals.

Scharmann expressed his appreciation to DETR for funding this project and his hope that industries within Western’s 18,000-square-mile service area will engage him in dialogue about using this training to benefit their maintenance workers.

Soccer Organizations Donate $10,000 to Wildcats

The Capital Soccer Club and the Adult Youth Soccer Organization have awarded $10,000 to Western Nevada College to support operations of its women’s soccer program. AYSO donated $5,000 and the Capital Soccer Club matched their contribution.

“We’re grateful to have these community partners and are thankful for the generous donations,” said Soccer Head Coach Hillary Arthur. “We hope the funds will help us to surpass the excellence we achieved this year.”

The Wildcats finished their second year with a Scenic West Athletic Conference Region XVIII Championship and a 10-9-2 overall record. Arthur was also named the SWAC Coach of the Year.

Funds will help support travel expenses, coaches’ salaries and equipment needs.

Soccer Donation (L-R): Wildcats Soccer Head Coach Hillary Arthur, AYSO Regional Commissioner Eric Ingbar, WNCC Dean of Student Services John Kinkella, and Capital Soccer Club President Greg Davis celebrate the recent donation to Western’s soccer team.
A Scholarship Can Change a Life

Over and over, the foundation hears from students whose lives were changed by a scholarship they received. Establishing a scholarship is easy, and the options are many.

Annual Giving Awards - Generally donors establish annual giving funds in which they donate gifts to be placed in a WNC scholarship fund. The sum may or may not change annually per donor wishes. Annually the foundation office confirms donor participation and posts scholarship availability accordingly.

One-Time Awards - Donors may establish scholarship awards which are awarded once or in designated increments until funds are exhausted. Memorial donations are often established as this type of scholarship.

Endowment Funds - Generally donors establish an endowment with a minimum of $10,500, allowing a scholarship of $500 to be awarded the first year. The WNC Foundation expends the interest earned during a fiscal year as the scholarship amount, leaving the principal intact to allow the scholarship to exist in perpetuity. Donors may elect to create an endowment with annual donations over a period of a few years. Additional gifts to the fund may be made at any time.

The foundation would like to recognize and thank the following individuals and organizations that established new endowed and annual scholarships in 2006.

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

Bessie L. Miller Memorial Scholarship - Bessie L. Miller was a woman of modest means and a generous nature, always willing to help those in need. The oldest of nine children and faced with the responsibility of helping to raise her siblings, she abandoned formal education upon completion of sixth grade. Later in life, she worked to support four children of her own while loving and guiding them. This love and guidance extended to grandchildren and great grandchildren. In honor of Bessie, a memorial scholarship was established to help students with financial need further their education. One $500 scholarship will be awarded to a Fallon student who is attending WNC full-time and maintains a 3.0 or better grade point average.

Lesch Nursing Scholarship - After reading a newspaper article about the needs of WNC Nursing and Allied Health and having two grand-daughters who are nurses inspired Locke and Betty Ray Lesch to donate $60,000 to WNC for purchase of equipment for the nursing program. An allied health simulation laboratory was named in their honor. Later, the Leschs started an endowment that provides an annual $500 scholarship to a full-time nursing student with financial need and a 3.0 or better grade point average.

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Carson City Democratic Women’s Scholarship - Members of the Carson City Democratic Women’s Club have established a scholarship for a female student who is pursuing an associate degree in any field of study. One student will be awarded $1,000. The student must attend WNC at least half-time, maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or better, and have financial need.

Greater Nevada Mortgage Services Churchill County High School Scholarship - Two $500 scholarships will be awarded to graduates of Churchill County High School who attend the WNC Fallon campus. Proceeds from the annual Fallon Golf Tournament fund the scholarships.

IAAP Scholarship - In support of a student who is pursuing a degree in business or a career that utilizes office skills, the International Association of Administrative Professionals will award $200 to a student who attends WNC at least half-time with a grade point average of 3.0 or better and has financial need.

Kennametal Engineering/Science Scholarship - This scholarship was established for students who reside in Churchill County and are pursuing a degree in accounting, business, welding, or science and math as it relates to pre-engineering. Six $440 scholarships are available to students who attend WNC at least half-time with a 3.0 or better grade point average.

Soroptimist International of Carson Valley Healthcare Scholarship - Members of Soroptimist International of Carson Valley have established a scholarship for female nursing or surgical technology students from Douglas County. Four students will be awarded $500 each. The students must attend WNC at least half-time, have financial need, and maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Tyler Flynn Memorial Fund Scholarship - This scholarship was established in memory of 11-year old Tyler Flynn. The son of a police officer, this young man was an athlete, Boy Scout leader and exceptional student. His aspiration was to follow in his father’s footsteps. In Tyler’s honor, a $500 scholarship will be awarded to a sophomore criminal justice student with a grade point average of 2.75 or better.

Warde H. Dixon Memorial Scholarship - In memory of Warde H. Dixon, this scholarship was established for WNC work-study students who are attending at least half-time. Four students will be awarded $300 each after they have earned $300 from their work-study job. Mr. Dixon requested that each recipient be given the following statement, “Warde H. Dixon wants to give an educational opportunity to students who are willing to work hard for it. He is hopeful that he will have some positive influence in their lives and will help them with opportunities and successes that they might not otherwise have.”

Western Nevada Astronomical Society Science Scholarship - WNAS will award a $500 scholarship to a student who is working toward an associate or bachelor of science degree in any biological or physical science. The student must attend WNC full-time and maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average.

Western Nevada Astronomical Society Space Science Scholarship - A second WNAS scholarship will be awarded to a student who is pursuing an associate or bachelor/master of science degree in physics or astronomy. This $500 scholarship will be awarded to a full-time student who maintains a grade point average of 3.0 or better.

ONE-TIME AWARDS

Maizie H. Jesse “Reaching for the Stars” Scholarship - A $500 scholarship will be awarded to a student who is pursuing a degree in either astronomy or musical theatre. The student must maintain a 2.5 or better grade point average and have financial need.

Topaz Sagehens Second Chance Scholarship - Two $500 scholarships will be awarded to students who are single parents and who reside in Douglas County. These students must have financial need and be enrolled at WNC at least half-time.
Opportunities to Help
Fallon Campus Provides Scholarship for those in Need

Continuing Education at the Fallon campus has established the Florence Dugan Grant-in-aid Scholarship to provide financial help for low income parents/guardians who wish to enroll their children in College for Kids classes during the school year but cannot afford the entire fee. Senior citizens who wish to enroll in non-credit community education classes but cannot afford the class fee will also be eligible.

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When considering year-end giving, we hope that the students at Western Nevada College will come to mind. Our community's greatest resource is education, and educated citizens are our greatest asset.

There are many ways to participate in the growth and improvement of WNC. One way is to make a financial gift to the college.

| Annual Gifts | An individual annual gift has a tax advantage for donors who itemize their deductions. Funds can be designated to address a variety of the college’s needs such as scholarships and athletics. |
| Memorials | A gift which recognizes achievement and shows love of family or friends is a beautiful memorial. When the gift also benefits the community through the education of future generations, it is truly a living gift. |
| Endowments | Endowments are gifts that keep giving. The fund’s principal is invested and only the earnings are used to support the desired project. This is an extraordinary investment that changes many lives and builds many futures. |
| Gifts of Securities & Real Estate | This type of gift has both tax benefits and long term benefits for the college. The donor receives a double income benefit by giving long-term appreciated securities and real estate rather than selling them to give an equal amount in cash. Initially, the donor receives a deduction for the full present fair market value of the gift. Then, the giver is allowed a complete avoidance of the capital gains tax on the appreciation. |
| Life Insurance | Donors may now make a charitable gift of life insurance for the cash surrender value of the policy and the current premiums. The insurance donor receives the same basic tax benefits as other donors contributing to WNC. |
| Wills/Bequests | Naming WNC in a will is another way to support the college. This type of gift gives flexibility in providing for family needs first while receiving the benefit of estate tax deduction for the value of the bequest. |

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The following recognizes those who made a gift to Western Nevada College between January 1, 2007 and June 30, 2007. If your name was omitted, please accept our apologies and contact the Office of Development & External Affairs at 775-445-3240. On behalf of the college, thank you for the extraordinary opportunities you have helped provide.

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Vice President, Baseball Coach Win Community Awards

Western Nevada College’s Helaine Jesse and D.J. Whittemore were honored with awards at the Nevada Appeal Community Awards Banquet on June 26 at the Carson Nugget. WNC Head Baseball Coach Whittemore was named the Athlete/Sportsperson of the Year and Jesse, WNC Vice President of Development & External Affairs, tied with Douglas County Sheriff Ron Pierini for Public Servant of the Year by the newspaper’s 10-member reader panel.

“There’s something wonderfully rewarding in being part of an effort that does make a difference.”
Brian O’Connell

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Soccer News

Wildcats Kick Off Fall Season

The soccer balls were loaded up, bags were packed, and the Western Nevada College women’s soccer team was ready for the fall season that started with five games on the road. The Wildcats’ home opener was on September 14 against Lassen College.

“We’re excited to get the season started,” said third-year Head Coach Hillary Arthur, the Region XVIII Tournament Coach of the Year. “The girls have worked really hard this summer and we would really like to build on last year’s success.”

The Wildcats have just three returning players from last year’s team: goalkeeper Allie Otto, defender Meghan Olsen and forward Virginia Loyola. According to Arthur, the 16 new players have gotten to know each other this summer and are excited to play together.

Western capped its second season off with a dramatic 1-0 overtime victory over North Idaho College to capture the Scenic West Athletic Conference Region XVIII Championship. With the win, the Wildcats advanced to the National Junior College Athletic Association playoffs.

Wildcats Achieve Academic Recognition Again

The Wildcats worked just as hard in the classroom as they did on the soccer field and the diamond. The National Junior College Athletic Association recognized the women’s soccer team as one of their fall 2006 academic teams of the year. They were tied for fifth place in the United States with a team grade point average of 3.04. The NJCAA also named Western’s baseball team as one of their 2007 academic teams of the year with a cumulative grade point average of 3.06 and a ranking of No. 22 in the nation.

“This is a major honor for our college and our community, and a testament to the strong emphasis that we place on the welfare and academic success of our students,” said Dean of Student Services John Kinkella.

SOCCER SEASON HAS KICKED OFF!

Watch our 2006 Scenic West Conference Champions battle for another title!

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**Baseball News**

**Four-Year Schools and Pro Teams Go Wild Over the Wildcats**

Many players that have donned a Western Nevada College baseball uniform were not heavily recruited out of high school. Things changed for them after the Western Wildcats won the Region XVIII Championship, the Western Regionals, and advanced to the 2007 NJCAA World Series in their second season. Several sophomores suddenly became hot commodities. In total, three signed with major league baseball teams and 14 committed to four-year schools, including seven who signed letters of intent with NCAA Division One universities.

Pitcher Stephen Sauer, who was drafted by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays in the 31st round of this year’s draft, will play for Arizona State University. Other sophomores playing Division One baseball include reliever Dan Grubbs (University of New Mexico), reliever Jeremy Joustra (New Mexico State University), pitcher Chris Rickey (University of Nevada, Las Vegas), and infielder Thomas Miller (University of Nevada). Three members from the 2006 team, Aaron Henry, Tyson Jaquez, and Ryan Iodence, also play for the University of Nevada.

Seven sophomores recently signed to play with four-year schools including pitcher Jake Bottari (Albertson College), outfielder Brad Carlsen (Albertson College), pitcher Josh Brink (University of British Columbia), infielder Kyle Bondurant (Vanguard University), catcher Taylor Mieras (Western Oregon University), outfielder Pat Grennan (Western Oregon University), and outfielder Andrew Ferguson (Bethany College).

Several players from the 2006 team also play at four-year universities including Aaron Greer (Concordia University), Jerahmie Libke (Southern Utah University), and Chadd Dudley (Grand Canyon University).

Last year’s squad is also well represented in professional baseball. Ace pitcher Cole Rohrbough had committed to Arizona State University before signing a $728,000 contract with Atlanta Braves. He was recently called up to play for the Low A Rome Braves and has a 1-0 record, a 1.00 earned run average, and nine strikeouts in two starts. Starting pitcher Justin Garcia, who plays for the Hudson Valley Renegades, had signed to play for the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, before signing with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. Reliever TJ Wohlever pitches for the Gulf Coast League Braves.

Mason Tobin, a pitcher from the 2006 Wildcats, signed with the Anaheim Angels and plays for the Orem Owlz in the Pioneer League. He is 1-0 with a 1.64 earned run average in two starts. It was the third straight year that Tobin was drafted.

Other Wildcats that have been drafted include Chris Rickey by the Milwaukee Brewers in 2004, Greer by the Philadelphia Phillies, Brink by the Minnesota Twins and Jaquez by the Tigers in 2005.
WNC Fallon Student Earns Regents Scholar Award

A working cowboy who was raised on a Nevada ranch has been named Western Nevada College’s 2007 Regents Scholar. Samuel Lossing said he would use the $5,000 award at the University of Nevada, where he is pursuing an Animal Science degree. The Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents awards the scholarship annually.

Lossing completed five semesters at Western with an overall 3.91 grade point average. He was born and raised on the Smith Creek Ranch, 90 miles east of Fallon, and was homeschooled throughout his K-12 years because of long distances to schools. He has worked in ranch-related activities his entire life and still cowboys on weekends and during academic breaks.

Residing in Fallon Monday through Friday during academic terms, Lossing has also tutored fellow students in the WNC Fallon Academic Skills Center, and works with third and fourth grade boys through his church.

Tell Us About Yourself...

You are WNC! Some of you have earned associate degrees or have transferred to four-year institutions. You may have reached milestones in your life that you would like to share. A strong alumni association can provide opportunities for meaningful interaction. But first, we’d like to get reacquainted. Please fill out this form to help us update our alumni database.

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What’s new in your life?* ______________________________________________________________________________________
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Kudos

Former Student Body President Helps Save Millions

Brian Kale, senior vice president for Integration Support and Analytics at Bank of America Card Services, and a former WNC student government president, recently helped his company save a lot of money. Kale worked with several others to develop a new accounting program that saved Bank of America $3 million in credit card transactions per day to designated general ledger accounts. This effort has resulted in a three-month return on investment.

Kale has worked at Bank of America for more than 10 years.
College Receives Good Grades from Students in Survey

As part of WNC’s strategic plan to improve student success by regularly gauging student opinions and assessing college practices and programs, more than 1,000 students on the Carson City, Fallon and Douglas campuses were asked to rate WNC. The Noel-Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory survey provided student opinions on quality of instruction, faculty and staff knowledge and helpfulness, facilities, campus security, parking, cost, financial assistance, and more.

Western’s ratings were compared with results from more than 200 other community, technical and junior colleges that participated. In the summary, WNC ranked higher than the other colleges in how the college has met students’ expectations, in students’ overall satisfaction with their college experience, and whether they would enroll again. The respondents listed “the quality of instruction received in most classes was excellent” as the No. 1 strength for WNC. Other strengths included the ability for students to register for classes with few conflicts, the ability to experience intellectual growth, the fact that nearly all faculty are knowledgeable in their fields, the ease of applying for classes online through the college’s web site, and campus safety and security.

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Angelene (Angel) M. Lawrence – (’92 AGS)
Upon receiving an associate degree in general studies after attending WNC for six years, Angelene returned to UNR in 1994. She received her doctorate of medicine in 2002 and completed her medical education after four additional years in the psychiatry residency program at UNR. Angelene says, “I have always been thankful for the start at the community college. I had wonderful instructors and a sound education that prepared me for advanced studies.” Dr. Lawrence is currently working as the psychiatrist at the Washoe County Jail and is looking into private practice options.

Mark Mellow – (’94 AGS)
Mark and his wife Casandra are pleased to announce the birth of their first child in September 2006. Congratulations! After attending WNC for two years, Mark transferred to UNR and graduated in 1997. He is currently the co-owner, foreman and salesman at Tahoe Fence Company in Mound House.

Roberta Metzger – (’02 AA)
After graduating from WNC in 2002, Roberta transferred to UNR and graduated in 2004 with a BS in Human Development and Family Studies. She relocated to Arizona where she is currently working with severely mentally ill clients as a Behavioral Health Technician.

Richard Reneaux – (’02 AA Electrical Engineering)
Richard is a true example of lifelong learning as he graduated from WNC in his late 70’s. His answer to the question, “What’s new in your life?” is “Just counting the days, doing my best to keep warm and living out my retirement at an age of 81 years.”

Bryan Patrick Werlinger – (’02 AAS-Business/Computer Information Applications)
Bryan joined the army in 2003 and was stationed at Ft. Bragg in North Carolina. Currently, he is on a new assignment with the rank of Specialist at Ft. Richardson in Alaska. Bryan’s family of 2 1/2 years includes his wife Jamie, cat “Sissy” and dog “Heidi.” While attending WNC, Bryan was a member of the United Students Association.
Building from the Ground Up

Building and construction trades have been a fast-growing industry in Nevada for more than a decade, and future growth is expected through at least 2014. As many current supervisors are nearing retirement, some construction companies carry the uncertainty of maintaining a skilled and ready work force.

After several years of collaboration between Western Nevada College and a number of construction firms and industry organizations, WNC’s first four-year degree, a Bachelor of Technology in Construction Management, is being offered this fall.

Students must be admitted into the Bachelor of Technology in Construction Management program in order to enroll in the upper division courses. To be accepted into the program, applicants must complete an Associate of Applied Science degree in Construction Management from Western or elsewhere, or follow a Pre-BTech Track that includes 45 credits of construction and general education courses and considers construction work experience.

According to Dean of Instruction Carol Lange, “This program was developed in response to a need expressed by business and industry in Nevada. It will enable new students as well as skilled workers to step into the program at their appropriate level. They may be high school students within our service area, enrolled in dual credit classes. Many of them receive scholarships from builders associations. Skilled workers will also be able to enter the program at the level that best fits with their prior education.”

“It is time to see technology programs as ‘ladders’ where a student can indeed step off with a certificate of achievement or associate degree, but can also continue on, or return later, to complete a baccalaureate education and prepare for a life of continual learning,” said WNC President Carol Lucey.

We’re Growing

WNCC is Now Western Nevada College

Western Nevada Community College officially became Western Nevada College on July 1 to reflect the college’s expanded mission and academic opportunities. In addition to associate degrees, certificates of achievement, university transfer programs, and continuing education, Western will offer a Bachelor of Technology degree in Construction Management this fall.

“We’re not changing who we are,” said President Carol Lucey. “We’re enhancing what we do, to offer another valuable educational opportunity for our communities.”

Nevada System of Higher Education regents approved the name change proposal in March, along with a request by the Community College of Southern Nevada to become College of Southern Nevada. Western’s request was submitted after a board approval in December for the college to offer its first B-Tech degree.

The name change follows a national trend where community colleges that offer both associate and bachelor’s degrees are removing the word “community” from their names to avoid confusion for bachelor’s degree graduates. Such a change first took place in Nevada more than a decade ago when Northern Nevada Community College in Elko changed its name to Great Basin College in 1995, when it began offering select baccalaureate degrees.
Learn About the People & Happenings @ Western Nevada College on TV

**ARTS & CULTURE**

**GALLERY EXHIBITS 2007-2008**

**CARSON CAMPUS**

**Main Gallery - Bristlecone**

- October 8 – November 9
  Works of Joe Winter

- November 19 – January 11, 2008
  Works of April Richardson

- “WNC Faculty Show”
  January 28 – February 28, 2008

- “Recycled Art”
  March 10 – April 4, 2008

**CARSON CAMPUS**

**College Gallery – Bristlecone**

- “Art-istry”
  Through October 19
  Works of Renee Ekleberry

- October 29 – November 29
  Works of Jayna Conkey

- December 3 through January 2008
  Advanced digital photography

- “Assemblages or W/C”
  February 4 – 29, 2008
  Works of Candace Nicol
  or Lady Jill

- “Challenge Quilts 2008”
  March 10 – April 4

**FALLON CAMPUS**

**Virgil Getto Hall Gallery**

- “Print is Print”
  September 24 – October 12
  Fine Art Printmaking from around the United States

- WNC Student Art Exhibit
  Painting, Drawing, Printmaking, Digital Media and Ceramics
  October 15 - November 2

- Fallon Grade-School Student Art Exhibit
  November 5 – 23

- WNC Student Art Exhibit
  November 25 – December 14

**LIFELONG LEARNING**

Carson City: Tuesdays-6 p.m. • Channel 10
Reno: Mondays-8 p.m. • Channel 16; every other Saturday-9 a.m. • Channel 14
Douglas County: Wednesdays-7 p.m. & Thursdays-7 a.m. • Channel 26
Fallon: Mondays-6 p.m. • FCTV Channel 25
Fallon: Tuesdays & Saturdays-10 a.m. and 7 p.m. • CC Communications Channel 1

**The SPOTLIGHT is on Broadway!**

Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company

**Guys & Dolls**

When crafty Nathan Detroit needs to raise money for his floating crap game, bets turn to romance with what critics call a perfect musical comedy score.

- Carson City Community Center
  Weekends • November 3-18
  - Call 775-445-4249 for tickets to all shows
  General - $18  •  Students/Seniors - $16
  Youth 17 & under - $14

Western Nevada College
Fallon Musical Theatre Company

**Carousel**

A carefree carnival Barker, Billy Bigelow, falls in love with a naive, young mill worker. A turn of events ensures that at the end of the show, you “won't be walking alone.”

- Time Magazine selected “Carousel” in 1999 as the Best Musical of the Century.

- Churchill County High School Theater
  November 8-10 and 15-17
  - Tickets: 775-423-5186
  General - $12 • Seniors - $10
  Youth 12 & under - $8
**Happenings**

**Wildcats Fund-Raiser a Success**

Former University of Nevada All-American boxer and current World Boxing Organization middleweight champion Joey Gilbert was the keynote speaker at Western Nevada College’s fourth annual Wildcats Athletics Benefit in March. The event, held at the Peppermill Hotel Casino in Reno, also featured a three-course prime rib dinner, raffle, and live and silent auctions. The fund-raiser raised $27,000 for support of all WNC athletic programs.

Guests enjoyed the lively evening, especially Joey Gilbert. He is probably best known for his appearances on the NBC television show, “The Contender”, where he won nine out of the twelve physical challenges. However, Gilbert is not just a television actor. He is currently the WBO’s No. 9 ranked professional middleweight boxer in the world with a record of 13-1 and 10 knockouts. He is also a practicing attorney, sports agent, international model and sports commentator.

At the University of Nevada, Gilbert was a three-time national champion, four-time regional champion, a four-time All-American, and the Nevada State Golden Gloves Super Middleweight Champion.

WNC receives no state general funding for expenses and must support the teams through private and corporate donations.

**WNC Foundation Celebrates 15 Years of Helping Others**

Take a walk around Western Nevada College’s three campuses, and a visitor will likely notice the many buildings that house academic programs and services, provide student study and recreational space, and create an attractive campus environment. But what may be less obvious is the enormous role a relatively small group of community leaders has played in the college’s success.

As it celebrates 15 years of service to the college this year, the WNC Foundation can be justifiably proud of its accomplishments for students and the widespread communities of western Nevada. In all, the group of several dozen advocates and their leader, Vice President of Development and External Affairs Helaine Jesse, have raised more than $14 million to help fund buildings, equipment, scholarships, and land acquisitions.

Among the foundation’s notable achievements are the Manuel Beck Library, Don Bently Hall, Andy Butti Welding Technology Center, E.L. Cord Automotive Technology Center, Jack C. Davis Observatory and Planetary Walkway, Virgil Getto Hall, John L. Harvey Baseball Stadium, Ramsdell Playground, Donald W. Reynolds Center for Technology, John H. Shel- don Technology Complex, Rotary Plaza and Woody Wurster Machine Tool Technology Center.

“It is truly phenomenal what the foundation has added to the college,” said Jesse. “We have always had a diverse board of people with families and other jobs that come together as a group to make great things happen for WNC and the community.”

The WNC Foundation was developed for the sole purpose of supporting the educational pursuits of Western in the community. To this end, the main objective of its board of directors is to raise funds for the continuing growth of the college in an effort to establish a level of excellence that exceeds all comparable institutions and provides the best possible education to students.

**Above:** Partner in Progress—Foundation Immediate Past Chair Tom Metcalf and WNC Vice President Helaine Jesse stand next to a bust of Donald W. Reynolds, whose foundation contributed significantly to the Reynolds Center for Technology.

**DANCING UNDER THE STARS**

**A Night to Remember**

Dancing under a starry sky on a balmy evening with the lights of the city in the background – sounds like a Hollywood movie. It happened right here in Carson City at the Jack C. Davis Observatory in August. As a celebration of the 15th anniversary of the foundation, 35 people enjoyed a lovely evening of dancing to the music of Sandy TenBoer, wine and hors d’oeuvres, and wonderful conversation. The event was organized by the foundation Donor Relations & Events Committee.

Thank you to State Agency & Transfer Syndicate, Inc. for sponsoring the event, and to Aloha Liquors and A Catered Affair for the delicious food and drink. A special thanks to the Donor Relations & Events Committee for creating “a night to remember.”
Seven new members have been named to the Western Nevada College Foundation Board of Trustees. Bob Adams, Alan Harvey, Michon Mackedon, Arthur Mallory, Charles Meyers, Ann Silver, and Dorothy Timian-Palmer will join 30 other board members and officers who help develop funds for support of the educational, cultural and service goals of the college.

Bob Adams is the general manager of CC Communications, a 12,000-access line telephone company with 95 employees in Fallon. Adams earned a master of business administration degree from Webster University in St. Louis, Mo., and a bachelor of science degree from the University of Louisville in Louisville, Ky.

Alan Harvey teaches theatre and music courses at Western. He retired from Foothill College in 2005, where he was vice president of educational resources and instruction. Harvey has a master of arts degree in music from Holy Names College in Oakland, Calif., and a bachelor of arts in music from San Francisco State University.

Michon Mackedon, a former professor of English and humanities at Western, was twice named Instructor of the Year and Outstanding Faculty Member. She earned a master of arts degree in English and a bachelor of arts degree in history from the University of Nevada.

Arthur Mallory is serving his third term as district attorney of Churchill County. He has taught as a part-time instructor at WNC since 1993. Mallory has a master of laws in litigation degree from the Emory University School of Law in Athens, Ga., and a bachelor of arts degree in history from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn.

Charles Meyers serves as chief executive officer of Banner Churchill Community Hospital in Fallon. He has a master of social work degree in planning from Temple University in Philadelphia, and a bachelor of arts degree in urban affairs from Roanoke College in Salem, Va.

Ann Silver is the director of the Carson City Human Resources department. Silver is a graduate of the Carson City Chamber of Commerce Leadership Class. She has a doctorate of law degree from Notre Dame University in South Bend, Ind., and a bachelor of psychology from Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

Dorothy Timian-Palmer is chief executive officer for the Vidler Water Company, a private-sector water resource company based in Carson City, and previously was utilities director for Carson City. She has a bachelor of science degree in engineering from University of Arizona with a specialization in water resources, and a professional engineering license in civil engineering.

Other board members and officers include Shelly Aldean, Michelle Bertocchi, Gayle Block, Nicole Block, James Consiglio, Sean Davison, John DiMambro, Pat Fisler, David Friedrich, Virgil Getto, Jerry Gregory, Lillian Hack, Kathy Halbardier, Harold Jacobsen, Steve Lewis, Randall Long, Jack McQuirk, Roger Moellendorf, James Parker, Dorothy Ramsdell, Fred Schmidt, Bernice Sheldon, Mike Wiley, Robin Williamson, Bradley Woodring and Sally Zola. Roger Williams serves as chair, Donal Hummer Jr. as chair-elect, Jed Block as secretary-treasurer, and Tom Metcalf as immediate past chair.

Coffee w/Carol

The Foundation is proud to present the following “Coffee with Carol” events to familiarize the community with the many outstanding faculty and programs at WNC. Join President Carol Lucey at these free, quarterly discussions. Enjoy coffee and a continental breakfast and receive a “Coffee with Carol” commemorative mug.

CARSON CAMPUS
Friday, Oct. 5 • 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
Featured Professor: Cindy Frank
Topic: Serving the Needs of the Deaf Community
Location: Reynolds Building Rm. 113
RSVP to 445-3240 by Oct. 3

DOUGLAS CAMPUS
Friday, Nov. 2 • 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
Featured Professor: Dr. Ursula Carlson
Topic: Writing the Memoir
Location: Rm. 106
RSVP to 445-3240 by Oct. 31

FALLON CAMPUS
Friday, Nov. 9 • 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
Featured Professor: Gil Martin
Topic: Art Appreciation class trip to Venice, Italy
Location: Getto Hall Rm. 304
RSVP to 445-3240 by Nov. 7
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