



Endless Scholars



63rd Honors Night

WEDNESDAY | **MAY 26, 2021** | 6 P.M.

THE SPIRIT OF OCC

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In a year that has required professional-surfer-level flexibility to adjust to constantly changing guidelines, recommendations, and safety protocols, it can be hard to dream of brighter days ahead. But dream we must, because the future does not wait.

At Orange Coast College we know you have dreams that are uniquely your own, and we are committed to doing everything we can to help you turn your dreams into your reality. This year, we are awarding close to half a million dollars in scholarships to some 300 student scholars. Scholarship recipients at OCC are representative of many hours of hard work, perseverance and ambition, and we are so proud to honor you tonight.

Here are some examples of the ways our students persevered, thrived, and succeeded during this past challenging year:

- + Last fall, students' efforts to transition OCC into a 100-percent smoke free campus - including applying for and receiving a grant from the Truth Initiative - paid off as the Coast Community College District passed a board policy banning all smoke and tobacco products from campus.
- + In September, the Associated Students of Orange Coast College hosted their first-ever virtual Pirate Involvement Fair, giving all students at Coast a chance to browse clubs through the Club and Organization's page of OCC's website.
- + In October, OCC's top-rated Speech and Debate team added a unique accomplishment to its impressive record - first place at a virtual asynchronous tournament hosted by California Baptist University. Students were required to record and submit their performances prior to the tournament, and were able to compete against schools from all over the country.
- + Students and their family and friends gathered on Zoom in November for a virtual Pirates' Plank competition, where hopeful student entrepreneurs pitched business ideas to a panel of judges made up of local industry executives. Two \$500 prizes were awarded for "Most Innovative Business Idea" and "Most Likely to Succeed," and all participants received \$100 for their commitment and enthusiasm to the Pirate's Plank event.
- + OCC'S music department students and faculty released a free holiday musical experience in early December to celebrate the end of the semester, and bring joy to all during a challenging season.
- + In February OCC hosted several activities and online events in honor of Black History month, including a contest inviting students to create a black civil rights poster to share with the campus community. OCC's Equity office also organized social media campaigns celebrating Black culture and traditions, such as "Black History Through Food" on Instagram and a "Black History Month Equity Playlist" on YouTube.
- + Fourteen students represented Orange Coast College by presenting talks and demonstrations at the 21st Annual UCI Community College Honors Research Conference in late March.

Tonight we celebrate your dreams, and what's more, we believe in the promise of your bright futures. We know you will make us proud.

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Tonight's Program

WELCOME

Dr. Angélica Suárez
President, Orange Coast College

INTRODUCTION TO HONORS NIGHT 2021

Tom Bruno – Master Of Ceremony
Instructor, Theatre Arts

HONORS NIGHT 2021 THEME: ENDLESS SCHOLARS

Dr. Derek Vergara
Dean of Students & Honors Night Chair

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY

DSPS STUDENT OF THE YEAR

Dr. Amra Pepic Koubati
Instructional Associate, Disabled Students Programs & Services

The award is given to a disabled student in recognition of exemplary academic achievement, personal integrity, and community service.

SCHOLAR ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

Jason Kehler, Athletic Director
Laura Behr, Assistant Athletic Director and Head Coach of Women's Crew

This award is given to two students who participate on an athletic team at Orange Coast College. Student athletes who receive this award are chosen based on excellence in academics, service, and leadership.

STUDENT CLUB/ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

Grishma Patel
Student Life & Leadership Specialist

The award is given to a club or organization in recognition of exemplary service and leadership to the college and/or outside entities and reflects the educational mission, vision, and tenets of Orange Coast College.

STUDENT CLUB/ORGANIZATION OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Maricela Sandoval
Manager, Equity Programs

STUDENT LEADER AWARD

Michelle Ngo
Counselor, EOPS

Students who have provided exemplary service and leadership at Orange Coast College are presented the Student Leadership Award. Students who receive this award have served as committee chairs, club officers, or otherwise provided significant leadership.

ROBERT B. MOORE AWARD

Steve Tamanaha
Dean, Student Success & Support Services

SHARON K. DONOFF
STUDENT LEADER OF THE YEAR AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Dr. Madjid Niroumand, Vice President, Student Services
Sharon K. Donoff, Vice President, Student Services Emeritus

This leadership award is given in honor of Sharon K. Donoff who was the first Vice President of Student Services at Orange Coast College. The student selected for this award has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement reflective of a career goal. Additionally, the student has been involved in numerous campus programs and provided significant service to the campus and community. The student represents the very finest in student leadership at Orange Coast College. The award is accompanied by a \$1,500.00 Sharon K. Donoff scholarship.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY

INTRODUCTION & DONOR RECOGNITION

Doug Bennett
Executive Director, Orange Coast College Foundation

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Alex Dorman, Narrator

HONORS NIGHT 2021 CLOSING

Tom Bruno – Master Of Ceremony
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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP ROLE OF HONOR

Hundreds of Orange Coast students make major contributions to the College each year through voluntary service in dozens of programs and services. Tonight we recognize those students that will receive one of three leadership awards or two service awards.

Aziz Abbasov
ASOCC - Student Senate

Fazilat Abdul
ASOCC - Executive Board

Moosa Altaf
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council

Alfred Aung
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Luana Bandeira Maia
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Jeffrey Carr
Alpha Beta Gamma Honor
Society

Eric Ceja Ruiz
ASOCC - Student Senate
Sustainability Committee

Zoe Ching
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council

Shaun Cho
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council
Sustainability Committee
College Budget Committee

Kevin Chow
ASOCC - STEM Club

May Chum
ASOCC - Advocacy
Committee

Connor Cuomo
Research Journal Club
Phi Theta Kappa Honor
Society

Hy Dao
STEM Club

Natalie Darakjian
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Almina Deveci
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council

Anna Do
Vietnamese Catholic Student
Association

Khang Do
ASOCC - Student Senate

James Do
Vietnamese Catholic Student
Association

Jackson Dugan
ASOCC - Executive Board

Eby Ebiye-Onyibe
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council

Anselm Friesen
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council
ASOCC - Executive Board
Administrative Services
Planning Committee

Kai Xuan Gan
Psi Beta Honor Society
Honors Student Council
Disabled Student Programs
& Services (DSPS)

Sarah Groff
Mu Delta Rho Honor Society
Phi Theta Kappa Honor
Society

Nabiha Hasan
Research Journal Club
Honors Student Council

**Lauren Hiltbrunner-
Johnson**
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Nylah Hines
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council

Han Hoang
ASOCC - College Life
Committee
Circle K Club

Arta Hosseini
ASOCC - Advocacy
Committee

Kayleen Huang
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council

Nardein Khalil
Mu Delta Rho Honor Society
Research Journal Club

Haruki Koyama
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council

Amanda Le
Phi Theta Kappa Honor
Society
Mu Delta Rho Honor Society
Research Journal Club at
Orange Coast College

Ken Li
ASOCC - Advocacy
Committee

Luan Ly
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Luke Lyons
Research Journal Club
Mu Delta Rho Honor Society
Honors Student Council

Kimiya Mansour
Mu Delta Rho Honor Society
Research Journal Club
Honors Student Council

Kunihiro Morimoto
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council
Communications Committee

Kiersten Muse
ASOCC - Student Senate

Danae Navarrette
ASOCC - College Life

Committee
Communications Committee

Ha Nguyen
ASOCC - Advocacy
Committee
Communications Committee

Khanh Nguyen
Circle K Club
STEM Club

Leslie Nguyen
ASOCC - Advocacy
Committee
Phi Theta Kappa Honor
Society

Minh Nguyen
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Nhu Quynh Nguyen
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council
Vietnamese Catholic Student
Association

Sarahlin Nguyen
ASOCC - College Life
Committee
Communications Committee

Shelby Rankin
Phi Theta Kappa Honor
Society

Schuyler Rebbun
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Sacha Saqib
ASOCC - Advocacy
Committee
ASOCC - Executive Board

Kotomi Sato
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council
ASOCC - Executive Board
Sustainability Committee

Michelle Schreiber
ASOCC - Student Senate

Matthew Sereno
Psi Beta Honor Society
Phi Theta Kappa Honor
Society

Katherine Smith
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Alex Sorza
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council
ASOCC - Student Senate

Yasmeen Sosa
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Engkanchanith Tan
STEM Club

Shannon Tandjung
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council
Permas Club

Kaung Thiha
ASOCC - Advocacy
Committee
Academic Petition Council

Jiselle Tjokrosaputro
ASOCC - College Life
Committee

Quinn Tran
ASOCC - Executive Board

Truc Tran
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council

Vi Tran
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council

Casey Truong
ASOCC - Fiscal Affairs
Council

Stella Tsai
Psi Beta Honor Society

Luke Venzlaff
ASOCC - Student Senate

Yuna Watanabe
ASOCC - Inter-Club Council
ASOCC - Student Senate
Speech and Debate Team

Sierra Wisner
ASOCC - College Life
Committee
ASOCC - Executive Board

Justin Yeo
Phi Theta Kappa Honor
Society

Charlie Zhang
Omega Psi Sigma Honor
Society
Daniela Zhao
ASOCC - Student Senate
Sustainability Committee

incentive to study and strive for scholastic honor, to encourage an inter-college enterprise in scholastic achievement, to commend the community college to higher education institutions, and to add luster to commencement exercises by recognizing the graduating student who has qualified for permanent membership. An important modern aim of AGS membership is to help students develop their leadership potential through campus and community service projects. The Alpha Kappa Chapter Scholarship is awarded to a student who has demonstrated the highest levels of scholastic achievement, commitment to the OCC campus, community, and to his or her growth as a leader.

The fund is overseen by an advisory committee of family friends, members of the Orange Coast College coaching staff and representatives of the Orange Coast College Foundation.

ALPHA MAX AWARD

The Alpha Max Awards are available to students in the Air Transportation program. They are made possible by donations from a local citizen and matching funds given by Rockwell International Corporation.

Awards are made to students who intend to pursue a career in the aerospace industry and are made on the basis of scholarship and need as determined by members of the Air Transportation faculty.

ALUMNI & FRIENDS SCHOLARSHIP

The Alumni and Friends of Orange Coast College give this scholarship for excellence in academic achievement as well as leadership and service.

ALTABELLI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Altobelli Family "Forever a Pirate" Scholarship Fund honors the memories of John, Keri, and Alyssa Altobelli who were lost in a tragic accident on January 26, 2020.

John was the Orange Coast College baseball coach for over 27 years and left a legacy of commitment and compassion for the hundreds of baseball players he coached. Keri was an adoring mother and committed baseball wife who was at virtually every OCC game and was John's co-coach. Alyssa was a talented young basketball player who dreamed of playing at the University of Oregon.

The "Forever a Pirate" scholarship endowment fund provides scholarships to OCC baseball, softball and women's basketball players transferring to four-year colleges and universities to pursue their athletic dreams and academic careers.

ANGELA ESPINOZA SCHOLARSHIP

Established by Osbaldo Nieves, an OCC Alumn, in honor of his mother, Angela Espinoza. A single parent who raised five children in the city of Costa Mesa. This scholarship is intended to provide support to a Latina single parent who plans to transfer to a four year institution.

ANN HARMER SECOND CHANCE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Ann Harmer Second Chance Scholarship is made possible by the very generous donation of a former OCC student in honor of Ann Harmer. The award is given each year to a student whose life has taken a dramatic change for the worse, but who rises above the challenge to make a better life for him/herself. The award requires the applicant to have made a career change, and is given with the hope that it will give the student a second chance at success. A re-entry student is preferred.

ANN MANSFIELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded annually to a student enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Program, actively working toward an Associate of Arts Degree or better, and planning to pursue a career in pre-school education.

ANONYMOUS

We thank those donors who have chosen to honor our students anonymously.

ARMEN GOGLANIAN DISABLED STUDENTS TRIBUTE RUN

In 1988 the Associated Students sponsored its annual fund-raising five-kilometer run/walk in tribute to the Disabled Students Center. As a

Barbara is best known for her bubbly personality. She lived what she taught — be fit, be fun, be involved.

This scholarship is awarded to an athlete who is involved in college or community activities, and plans to pursue a bachelor's degree.

BARNES & NOBLE BOOKSTORE SCHOLARSHIP

The Orange Coast College Bookstore is dedicated to supporting student success in many ways. We are pleased to provide this scholarship each year to deserving students. Congratulations.

BARTONE THEATRE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is given to the student who, through his or her hard work and dedication, has declared a lifetime commitment to the creative expression of the arts.

In a mechanized world dominated by technology, the artist's contribution to society is needed and welcomed more than ever. It is in this spirit that this gift is bestowed.

BASIL PETERSON SCHOLARSHIP

Basil Peterson was the founding president of Orange Coast College. He was hired in July of 1947 and several months later helped secure a portion of the abandoned Santa Ana Army Air Base from the War Assets Administration to establish Orange Coast College. He then set about converting the dilapidated army barracks and tumbleweed-strewn base into a college that opened to 533 students on September 13, 1948. Over the next 17 years until his retirement on December 31, 1964, Dr. Peterson's leadership and vision helped create one of the nation's premier community colleges.

On the occasion of Orange Coast College's 50th Anniversary in 1998, an Orange-Tie Gala was held to celebrate the College's legacy of excellence. Over \$100,000 was raised at the event to endow a series of scholarships to honor Dr. Peterson's legacy as Orange Coast College's founding president.

BEECHER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is being given by the Beecher family for any continuing student at OCC who is studying history or literature. The Beechers

were very active in accumulating and preserving the history of Costa Mesa and Orange County, and want to assist a student who has common interests.

BENNETT FAMILY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL AWARD

This award recognizes a sophomore on the OCC Women's Basketball team who has been a good teammate, has an outstanding academic record, financial need and is continuing her academic career at a four-year-college or university. The award is given by Doug Bennett, who has been the voice of the OCC Women's Basketball Team for over 25 years.

BERNIECE AND "BUD" FRICKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Three generations of the Fricker family have attended Orange Coast College. The Fricker family members have been active in student government and speech and debate. Family members dedicate this scholarship in the memory of Berniece B. Fricker, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, Army wife and Orange Coast College student, and Major Norman K. Fricker, father, grandfather, veteran, and Orange Coast College student.

BOB McCAFFREY SCHOLARSHIP

These scholarships are awarded to deserving OCC students pursuing careers in construction trades including carpentry, electrical, plumbing and construction by Bob McCaffrey, a grateful OCC alumnus.

BRETT SOUTHWORTH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship has been established to honor Brett Southworth. Although he battled cancer throughout his life, Brett's goal was to attend Orange Coast College to pursue a career as a chef. He attended Coast for more than a year before his illness forced him to stop attending classes. Brett died at the age of 20 in March of 1997.

The friends and family of Brett, including many in the food service industry, provide funding for his scholarship. It is awarded to a deserving student in the Culinary Arts program to assist in pursuing their dream.

BRIGHT LIGHT, DEBBIE DEMELLO SCHOLARSHIP

The Bright Light – Debbie DeMello Scholarship was established by Orange Coast College Interior Design and The DeMello Family to honor the memory of Debbie DeMello and her more than twenty year contribution to this Program. Debbie began teaching Lighting Education at OCC when this area of study was just in its introductory stage. She was able to independently develop her part of the curriculum and continued to grow and augment the academic and practical content of the Fundamentals of Lighting course each semester. Debbie was instrumental in creating OCC's state of the art, nationally recognized, Lighting Lab of today. For over thirty years, she was a highly respected Lighting Design professional in the Southern California Community, earning numerous awards for her work. Her dedication to OCC Interior Design faculty and students will forever have a lasting impact. The recipient of this perpetual scholarship will be a student who personifies Debbie's passion for the OCC Interior Design Program and the importance of Lighting Design in the Interior Design profession.

BRUCE CARY TRANSFER CENTER SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of this scholarship is to assist a student who is transferring to a campus of University of California.

BUCKY POFAHL RECYCLING SCHOLARSHIP

Bucky Pofahl — "The Trash Can Dude" — was one of the unforgettable campus characters that make Orange Coast College such a special place. Bucky was a Wisconsin native, a veteran of World War II, a member of America's Greatest Generation, an active member of his church, recipient of an Honorary Degree from Orange Coast College, a former KNX Citizens of the Week, A Daily Pilot 103 Honoree, and an all-around good guy.

During the 1990s Bucky was a regular presence on the campus collecting hundreds of thousands of recyclable aluminum cans and beverage containers that he redeemed at the OCC Recycling Center.

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In setting up this scholarship, Earl hopes to keep Carl's enthusiasm for learning alive. It is hoped that this scholarship will, in a small way, encourage recipients to continue this tradition once they achieve financial success.

This scholarship is awarded on the basis of scholastic achievement and program involvement. The recipient must be currently enrolled at OCC and taking minimum of six units with a major in engineering or electronics.

**CASEY FAMILY FOUNDATION
CONSTRUCTION SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is established by the Casey Family Foundation to motivate students in construction technology.

**CASSIE LAMBRIS & TAMMY MACARTHUR
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Cassie Lambris truly loved Orange Coast College and its people. Her involvement with OCC spanned more than a decade as a student, an athlete, and an athletic trainer. In spite of a multitude of physical ailments, Cassie's involvement with athletic training and sports medicine intensified, solidifying her reputation as a potential expert in the field. Upon graduating from CSUF with a degree in physical education in 1979, Cassie continued to take specialized classes at OCC up until her death.

Cassie will always be remembered as a friend. Her genuine concern for people and overwhelming desire to serve those who seek athletic excellence has reserved a special place in our hearts and our minds.

Each year the recipient of the Cassie Lambris Memorial Scholarship will be a full-time student pursuing a degree. Each candidate will demonstrate a warm and caring concern for others. In addition, there will be unique circumstances and/or hardship surrounding the recipient's quest in attaining his/her educational

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He was a gentleman who held honesty and integrity to be all important. His faith in God was strong and a source of strength for him. He was "a best friend" to everyone from his youngest grandchild to his wife, and he is sorely missed.

CHERRY GUNDRY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Cherry Gundry came to Orange Coast College in 1960 to teach English. She found wonderful colleagues, an uplifting institution of higher learning, but most of all, she found eager students. What was at first a job became her life and joy. She was never as happy as when she was teaching. There were many times in her life when her education had to be stopped for family and personal situations that arose. She persevered, earning a master's degree while raising two small children as a single mother following her husband's death. She became a life-long learner, taking classes throughout her life.

A scholarship endowment has been set up to honor her memory and assist other students who, like Cherry Gundry, may have had to put aside their dreams for the practical realities of life and are now trying to re-start their education. Applications from single mothers are especially encouraged.

CHILDREN'S CENTER TRIBUTE RUN SCHOLARSHIP

In 1987, the Associated Students of Orange Coast College dedicated their annual Tribute Run fundraiser to the student-parents at the

contribution to the Orange Coast College campus during their time of study. For the purpose of this scholarship, a demonstrated positive contribution to the campus includes,

CORRY THOMPSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Corry Thompson began a 35 - year career in education in 1954 as an instructor at Orange Coast College.63

away at the age of 58. Over the course of his 32 year career at OCC he held the position of

assisting developmentally disabled adults. She later worked for the Goodwill Industries as a job coach for persons with disabilities. She passed away in December 2010 after a short illness.

Dawn was a powerful combination of fighting spirit and great compassion. She was a wonderful friend and a loving daughter. Her life was about service to others. She is smiling down on us for awarding this scholarship to a deserving student with a disability and a volunteer who helps others.

DEAN WESTGAARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Dean Westgaard Memorial Scholarship was established in 1984 as a tribute to the memory of Dean Westgaard, physical education instructor and coach from 1966 to 1983. This Orange Coast College scholarship is awarded to the outstanding graduating scholar athlete and is based upon criteria including scholarship, citizenship and athletic participation.

DEBBIE SLEMMONS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Debbie Slemmons was a member of the Orange Coast College Volleyball Team. She was honored as the Most Valuable Player for the 1983 season and was looking forward to the 1984 season when she and two close friends were killed by a drunk driver in an automobile accident on September 10, 1984.

Debbie had a positive influence on her family, friends and teammates. Her vivaciousness and enthusiasm were contagious to those around her. She possessed a great competitive spirit and an exceptional desire to succeed. She had made plans to major in sports medicine and was expected to be the recipient of a volleyball scholarship in order to complete her college education.

This scholarship is a perpetual award given, in memory of an outstanding athlete and an inspirational young woman.

and ever-changing topics students were researching. He worked to include students in special campus projects and committees and served several years as advisor to the International Students Association. In 1995 he received the campus' prestigious "Friend of the Students" award.

DOUGLAS JENKS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Douglas Jenks was born March 24, 1955. He was 25 years of age when he died of leukemia in 1980. He had not completed his education at the time of his illness, and contemplated continuing at OCC, if he had stayed in remission. His mother later attended OCC and learned to love the school as Doug would have. We are

This scholarship is awarded to outstanding music students with preference given to guitar and computer music students.

JOHN P. POTTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is dedicated in loving memory of John P. Potter, Director of Physical Facilities Planning for the Coast Community College District from 1968 until his retirement in 1984. Prior to his administrative post, John also taught Apprentice Carpentry evening classes at Orange Coast College in the late 1950's and early 1960's. Under John's management, many buildings throughout the District were constructed. Examples on the Orange Coast College campus include the Fine Arts Building, Lewis Center, Student Health Center, Administration Building, Literature & Languages and Chemistry buildings, and the original Norman Watson Library building (now Watson Hall).

Throughout his life, John valued lifelong learning and education. This scholarship is offered to students with a vocational major to assist in meeting their future educational goals. John would have been extremely proud to be remembered in this manner by honoring outstanding students of Orange Coast College.

JOHN PETER RUBINO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship was established by the family, friends, and colleagues of John Peter Rubino, a professional pilot who died in an air crash at the age of thirty-four.

Early in life, John gained a love for flying; he began flight lessons at the age of fourteen, soloed at sixteen and became a commercial pilot at eighteen. While a student at the University of Florida, John operated a glider flight school and graduated as an aeronautical engineer in 1974. He continued his career in aviation in California, and became a jet pilot for a corporation based

JOURDAN WATANABE BASEBALL SCHOLARSHIP

Jourdan Watanabe was an all-conference baseball player at Orange Coast College in 2008 and prior to that a great player at Northwood High School in Irvine. His drive, determination and love for the game were admired by his teammates, coaches, fans and opponents. He was a leader on-the-field, in the dugout and in the youth baseball community.

of her OCC friends to Europe, the Middle East, Asia, South America, and Africa. All three of her daughters received degrees from Community Colleges.

KELLY BLUE MOREHOUSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship will honor the memory of

LEWIS MEMORIAL SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP

In the school year 1974-75, the staff of the Division of Physical Sciences and Mathematics started making contributions to a division scholarship fund. A single scholarship of \$500 was given each year from 1975 to 1978. In February of 1979 Mr. Charles Lewis, the division chair since 1949, and his wife Pauline were killed in an auto accident. Mr. Lewis was a long time faculty member of the original staff of Orange Coast College and was largely responsible for the growth and development of the division. In 1979 the name of the scholarship was changed to the 'Lewis Memorial Science Scholarship" as a tribute to the memory of Charles and Pauline. Money that had been donated by their friends in their memory was combined with division staff contributions to provide scholarship funds. The scholarship continues to be supported by division staff donations.

The Lewis Memorial Science Scholarship is awarded to a student transferring to a four-year school the following fall. The recipient must be a member of the Orange Coast College community.

MARINE SCIENCE OUTSTANDING STUDENT ASSISTANT OR AQUARIUM MANAGER

The Marine Science Department Faculty encourage students to pursue an education in Marine Science. The opportunity to continue their studies as a student assistant allows students to solidify their understanding of ocean processes in addition to exploring the possibility of a future career in education.

MARTHA "MUFF" HOWE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

McCARDLE SCHOLARSHIP

These scholarships provide assistance and encouragement to students enrolled in business related classes at OCC with a career goal in business.

The McCardles: Roy operated his own Real Estate business in Costa Mesa for many years. Todd McCardle has been active in the field of Title Insurance. Todd has studied real estate at OCC. Randy graduated from OCC, went on to Chapman and earned a Ph.D. from Colorado. Randy founded The Real Estaters, and was one of the first alumni to be elected to the OCC Hall of Fame. Terry also graduated from OCC. Terry worked for the Real Estaters and took over as president/owner when Randy retired. Terry was also honored as an inductee in the OCC Hall of Fame.

MIKE COPP SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD

The Mike Copp Scholar Athlete Award honors the memory of Mike Copp, a member of the Orange Coast College counseling faculty for 29 years. Mike provided valuable guidance and assistance to help thousands of students achieve their academic goals.

For the three years prior to his untimely death in February of 1994, Mike specialized in working with student athletes. He enthusiastically provided them with the guidance and encouragement they needed to continue their collegiate athletic careers and their academic studies at four-year colleges and universities. Mike was dedicated to the task of helping students succeed. He worked hard with OCC athletes, and was extremely proud of their accomplishments--both in the classrooms and on the field.

The award honors Mike's memory by providing scholarships to one outstanding Orange Coast College scholar athlete transferring to a four-year institution.

MONTA LEE HARVEY AND JAMES R HARVEY SCHOLARSHIP

A commemorative scholarship honoring the lives of Monta Harvey, a long-time professor of psychology at Orange Coast College; and James R. Harvey, native Californian and oral surgeon. Their generosity to others, service to public education and youth, and love of family were well known by friends, students and professional associates.

NORMA GOODRICH HOWARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Kate and Tim Mueller dedicate this scholarship in memory of Dr. Norma Lorre Goodrich Howard. Norma remains a role model.

OCC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

OCC MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a sophomore member of the Men's Basketball Team who exhibited the ability to achieve a high level of improvement in all facets of his life while overcoming a plethora of obstacles and adversity along the way. This student-athlete showed that hard work, perseverance and a team-first attitude will lead to a high level of success as one traverses along life's journey.

OCC MU ALPHA THETA MATHEMATICAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

The Mu Alpha Theta scholarship is given to students to recognize and promote achievements and merit in the field of math. Mu Alpha Theta is a National High School and Two-Year College Mathematics Honor Society with over 75,000 student members in more than 1,500 schools. We are dedicated to inspiring deep interest in mathematics, developing strong scholarship

from 5 members into a professional organization of over 120 members. The combined membership

proud of his achievements, having earned his Masters Degree in special Education at Cal State Dominguez Hills, the May before his death. He loved Literature and had earned a Bachelors Degree from CSULB after attending OCC for his early coursework. Patrick was a prolific writer and we are blessed to have boxes of original songs and poems he wrote. Patrick spent his high school years at Fountain Valley, participating in both the band and football. His television debut was at the age of nine when he went on Art Linkletter's, "Kids Say the Darndest Things" Show. It was during this time the he began developing his interest in

degrees and return to the community as leaders and mentors to future generations. The Puente Program and its ancillary club help others accomplish student success by demonstrating leadership and an eagerness to succeed. The Puente Club's fundraising and individual donations help fund this scholarship.

**RACHEL HAMILTON, LYDIA PEREZ AND
RUTHIE ADAMS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Ms. Lydia V. Perez was born in Chihuahua, Mexico in 1904 and raised in El Paso, Texas. She met and married Cornelio S. Perez, Sr., when she was 15 years old and migrated to Southern California. She was the proud mother of eighteen, eleven of which she was able to raise to adulthood. Because of her family situation, she was only able to attend school through the sixth grade; however, she was an avid believer in education for all, especially women! In 1947 she encouraged her family, especially her daughters Ruthie Adams and Rachel Hamilton to attend "that new Orange Coast College" and prepare

lives of those who had the privilege of knowing and working with him. He set high standards for himself and his students, but always placed the music first and foremost.

This endowed scholarship will be given to deserving music majors who possess strong academic achievement and proven ability in a

for 22 years have made a significant difference for over 10,000 students. Ron would be proud to be remembered by recognizing outstanding students.

RONALD SCHRYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Ron Schryer was a teacher's teacher. In his memory, Ron's family and friends have established this scholarship to assist a deserving student who, we believe, will exemplify the standards that he set for himself.

As one of OCC's earliest students, he went on to a distinguished teaching career that concluded with 18 years back at OCC. During his long career, he taught at every level from elementary school to graduate education. Even in retirement he remained active in his efforts to make Coast a better place for students.

Ron understood the importance of all three pillars of excellence in the profession. First, he was a master in the classroom, giving unlimited energy to insuring that his students would be successful. He was a true innovator, among the earliest at OCC to experiment with modern student-centered instruction as far as 40 years ago. Second, he understood the importance of learning acquired through co-curricular activities and fully supported a wide variety of activities from music and theater to athletics to student government programs. Third, he embraced professional involvement beyond the

SCHOLARSHIP 75

In 1975 a permanent fund was developed in order to provide a base for the OCC scholarship program. Over the years, students, faculty, staff, and community groups have contributed to this fund. All donations are invested and each year, the earnings are awarded to students at Honor's Night.

SHARON K. DONOFF STUDENT LEADER OF THE YEAR AWARD AND SCHOLARSHIP

This award is given in honor of Sharon K. Donoff who was Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Services at Orange Coast College. Sharon was a dynamic leader on campus and strong advocate of student participation. She encouraged incorporating the Student Development Model throughout Student Services because she believed that when students got involved on campus they became more engaged in their education. The student selected for this award has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement and has been involved in multiple campus programs, providing exemplary service to the college and the community. This student represents the very finest in student leadership at Orange Coast College.

SHERRY GRISWOLD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Sherwood "Tom" Griswold, called "Sherry" by all who knew him, was the oldest son of Donald G. and Lillian Griswold. He came to California with his parents in 1928. Here his childhood was spent happily with his brother and three sisters, and from here he enlisted in the Army Air Corp on December 26, 1943. One year later to the day, on his second combat mission, the B-17 Flying Fortress in which he served as an aerial gunner, was shot down over Bleshamer, Germany, and all except two crew members perished.

Sherry did not go to war because he loved to fight; he loathed fighting. He went as a duty to mankind, as the honorable thing to do, standing squarely for what he considered the highest expression of right, not counting the cost. He loved peace, but he loved justice more.

The gift of an endowed scholarship in Sherry's name is provided by the trustees of the Sherry Griswold Foundation in the hope that its influence will always be effectively expanding his love of peace and goodwill to mankind.

SHIRLEY JANE BROOKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Shirley Jane Brooke was a member of the Orange Coast College physical education

scholarship is given to students with excellent performance in ESL classes and positive interaction with others of various nationalities and cultures.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF HUNTINGTON BEACH WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Education is the single most sustainable and effective strategy for women to achieve economic empowerment. Since 1963, Soroptimist International of Huntington Beach has been working to improve the lives of women and girls, locally and globally, primarily through access to education.

SPIRIT OF ABILITY SCHOLARSHIP

With the rising costs of education, Spirit of Ability, the student club at OCC for disabled and able-bodied students, decided to fund and award additional scholarships for financially deserving disabled students. All money distributed was raised through club activities throughout the year, including Coast Day activities, drawings, auctions, sales of the club cookbook, "The disAbled Gourmet" , and club t-shirts. Special thanks to all donors and all club members who continue to support and contribute to our scholarship fund. To date the club has awarded over \$7,000.00 in scholarships. The scholarships have ranged from \$50.00 to \$300.00 each depending on the amount of money raised during the year.

STAS GRISHIN MATHEMATICS SCHOLARSHIP

The Stas Grishin Scholarship is awarded in memory of dear friend Stas Grishin, who suddenly passed away at the age of 49. Stas

meets new people they can't believe that she was ever afraid to speak up. Part of her recovery included getting out of her comfort zone by taking acting classes at Orange Coast College. She became comfortable performing in front of large groups of people and was even part of an improvisation performance. She has been known to spontaneously jump up and dance by herself or with anyone who is willing to join her. Miriam would like to acknowledge the professors and students of Orange Coast College who have helped her gain so much confidence by supporting talented and ambitious theater arts students.

UMOJA SCHOLARSHIP

The Umoja Scholarship is awarded to students who are not afraid to explore their heritage but draw strength from the experience. They are hardworking, involved in their campus community and dedicated to improving completion rates while closing the achievement gap among the historically underrepresented.

VASILY AND LENA VALLERA SCHOLARSHIP

The Vasily and Lena Vallera scholarship is in honor of our loving parents who at all times encouraged us to explore, think for ourselves, and follow our dreams. Mother and Dad believed the only rationale solution to perpetuate a peaceful and harmonious world is-was-and-will-always-be education. This scholarship is an offering to the students who demonstrate exemplary abilities in academics while graciously contributing to the betterment of the world through volunteering their time, energy, and passions to a worthy cause.

VICE PRESIDENTS AND DEANS SCHOLARSHIP

The Vice Presidents and Deans Scholarship was established in 1981 and is made possible by donations from the Deans and Vice Presidents of Orange Coast College. It is awarded each year to a student who has distinguished himself or herself academically.

VIETNAMESE CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

VCSA Scholarship is funded by the Vietnamese Catholic Student Association (VCSA), founded

strong yet gentle man guided the fortunes of many successful teams but primarily will be remembered for his championship baseball teams. Anyone who played for a Picken's team knew they were a winner. He taught respect for

