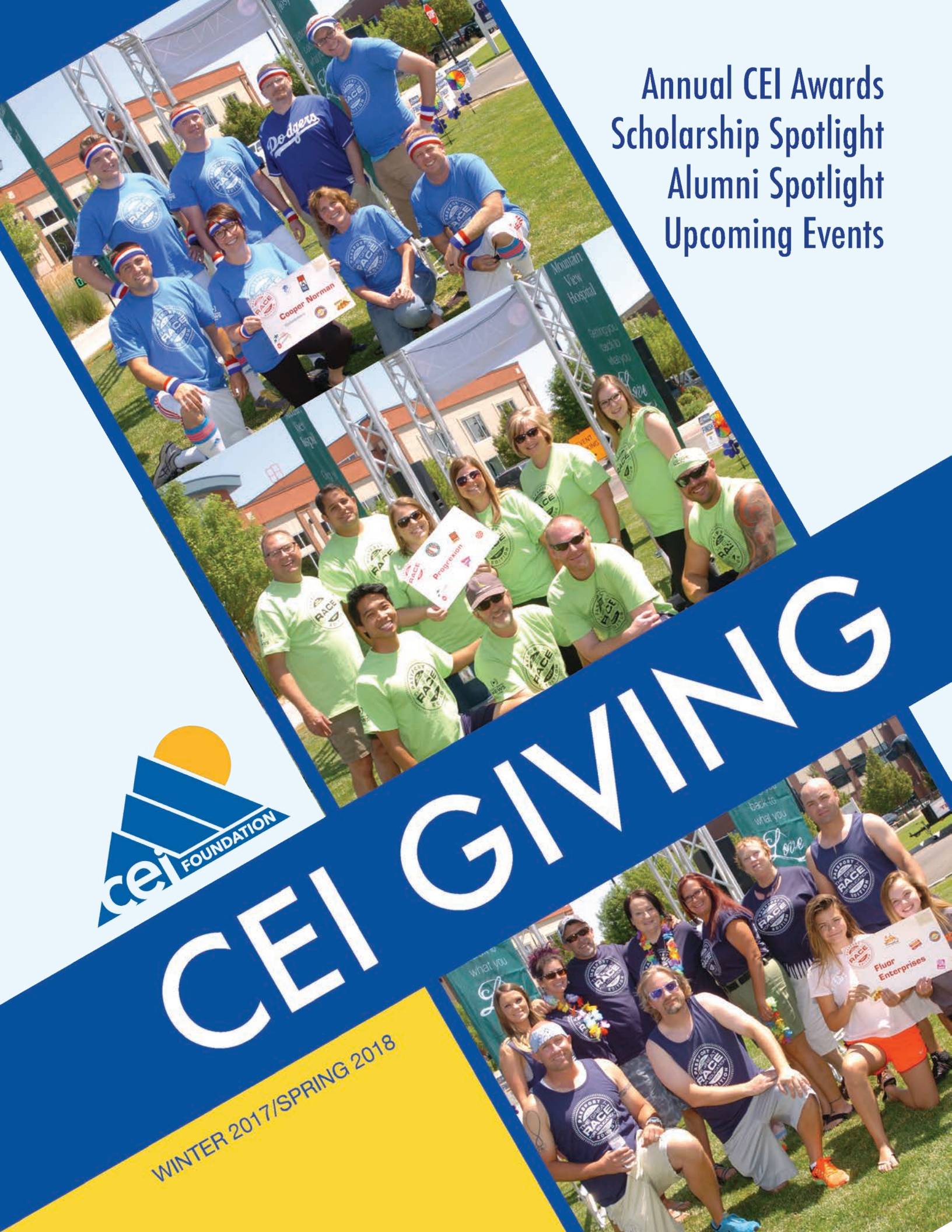


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See all the contributors to the CEI Foundation this year

DR. RICK AMAN



On May 16th 2017 the voters of Bon-neville County endorsed the importance of education in the eastern Idaho region through the creation of the College of Eastern Idaho Taxing District. CEI was formed and a fully comprehensive community college mission was added to our region. The technical mission of EITC remains intact and vibrant, but the creation of two associate transfer degrees now permits students of CEI to complete the first two years of a bachelor's degree and transfer those credits into universities. Additionally, CEI can help prepare students who need assistance in becoming "college ready" through programs in English as a Second Language, GED preparation and support with remedial math and writing.

This is an exciting time for faculty and staff of the newly formed College of Eastern Idaho as we serve many more students. Given a clear growth pattern, the CEI Foundation is preparing to support additional students who would directly benefit from scholarships. Our College is designed to support first generation students or students who do not feel they are college ready.

Your gift, in any amount, will help ensure that every student who dreams of bettering his or her life through education will have a chance. The new College presents immense new opportunities for more students in eastern Idaho. Please consider helping CEI support our students.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Aman", followed by a long horizontal line.

Dr. Rick Aman
President

LOOKING AHEAD

Event Schedule 2017-2018
Mark your calendar!

December 19

Barnes & Noble Book Fair Tuesday at the Grand Teton Mall mention "CEI Foundation" upon checkout a portion of the proceeds benefit the CEI scholarship fund.

If you are unable to attend you can shop online at www.bn.com/bookfairs from 12/19 -12/24 Use Bookfair ID 12179586 at checkout

February 9

CEI Scholarship Application Deadline

For academic year 2018-2019

Due by 5:00 pm (CEI Administration, Foundation Office)
www.ceigiving.org

April 25

CEI Annual Scholarship Banquet

For scholarship recipients & donors - Invitation only event
Shilo Inn 7:00 pm - RSVP required

May 3

Idaho Gives

24-hour statewide nonprofit giving day
www.idahogives.org

July 20

The Great Race for Education SAVE THE DATE

"Birthday Bash"

10 year Anniversary

This years awards banquet was held on April 12, 2017 at the Shilo Inn. This banquet gives our scholarship donors the opportunity to meet the scholarship recipients.



Faculty Member of the Year
Catherine George,
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CEI Annual Awards Banquet

2017

SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHT

Whitney Grimmett is a final year student at CEI and the recipient of the Kade Keyes Memorial Scholarship and the PEO Sisterhood Chapter AA Scholarship. CEI was the perfect school for her since it was close to her work and home, and because classes and time frames were flexible. Whitney will be graduating in May 2018 with an Associate of Applied Science in Computer Networking Technologies, in addition to multiple certification and technical certificates.

For Whitney, her grandpa has been a driving force behind her drive to complete her education. "My grandpa was undoubtedly one of the biggest inspirations in my life," she writes. "He spent several years

in the Navy saving for college and wasn't able to attend. He was my biggest cheerleader."

Receiving the scholarships has been life changing for Whitney. They allowed her to continue her education and open more doors for her future. According to Whitney, the CEI Foundation has played a key role in her education: "Bailey and the rest of the Foundation have made my graduation in 6 months a reality, I couldn't have done it without them."

After graduation, Whitney is immediately entering a Bachelor program at Boise State University. Afterward, she plans to continue on to attain her MBA.

By Kirsten Ferguson, Inklings



PASSPORT TO EDUCATION

Each year, a mass of colorful teams descends on Snake River Landing. This is the annual Great Race for Education. The true goal is to raise money for the CEI Foundation; however, on the day of the race, all anyone really wants to do is win. It's a race against time to solve the clues, complete the challenges, and return to base.

The event actually begins with PreRace the week before. This gives teams the chance to win an advantage to be used on the day of the race. Teams solve clues directing them to locations around Downtown Idaho Falls where they can find items to help them get a foot up.

This year, the theme was Passport to Education. The teams faced a series of challenges ranging across downtown Idaho Falls, making sure to get their 'passport' stamped at each location. After the initial race, the field of competition is narrowed down to the top teams. The remaining teams then compete in a series of minute-to-win-it style games. This year teams played classics such as The Tortilla Toss, where one teammate would catch a tortilla launched by another teammate wearing flip-flops, and The Clumsy Elephant, which consisted of knocking water bottles over with a tennis ball hanging from a stocking on the racer's head.

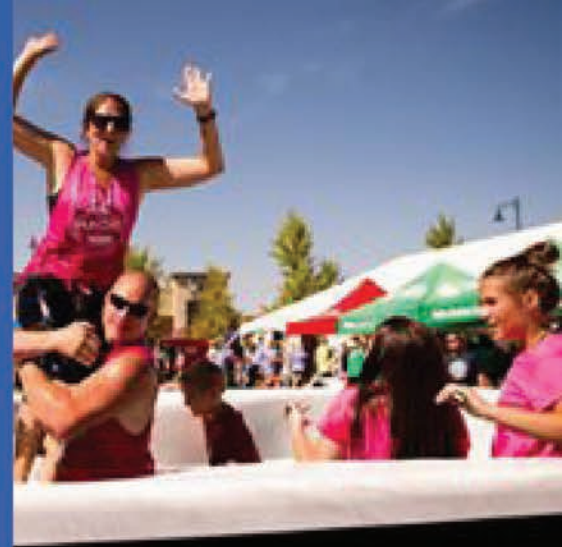
Team Cooper Norman took first place. Team Progrexion took second, with Team Fluor Idaho following in third. By the end of the day, the exhausted and satisfied groups settled down to eat and rehydrate.

As exciting as the competition is, the teams never forget their true goal. This event is one that brings everyone together to help CEI students and raise scholarship money. This year the event raised over \$40K. Nearly 100 volunteers helped at base camp and in the field that day. None of this would have been possible without them or without our top sponsors:

- Snake River Landing
- Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center
- Idaho Central Credit Union
- Fluor Idaho
- Well Fargo
- Progrexion

If you would like to reserve a space for 2018 contact us today. Teams are going fast. Twenty slots have already been reserved and we will sell out at thirty-five teams.

By Kirsten Ferguson, Inklings



ALUMNI

2017 SPOTLIGHT

CEI NEWS

After working years in the construction business, Lane Jones, 35, decided to make a career change. He desired a job that would allow him to stay local and spend more time with his family. After exploring his options, Lane found himself at the then, Eastern Idaho Technical College, enrolled in the Machine Tool Technology program. Lane excelled as a student. After graduating in the Spring of 2017, a second teaching position opened at the now, College of Eastern Idaho. He applied, and was offered the position to become the second instructor of the growing MTT program.

While attending CEI, Lane gained much from his college experience. "The time I had as a student was invaluable beyond my expectations," said Lane. The amount of support he received from faculty, staff, his instructor, and CEI Foundation scholarships was impressive. "College should be a fun and growing

experience. The hands-on programs and campus atmosphere at CEI makes that possible," he states. As an instructor, Lane has the drive and desire to inspire and mentor his students. "I try to inform students of all the activities, resources, and opportunities the campus has to offer." He encourages them to get involved in clubs, student senate, student activities, and taking advantage of scholarship opportunities and the Tutoring Center.

Lane is enjoying his new position instructing at the college and has plans to pursue his bachelor's degree sometime in the future. His new career has afforded him the family time he desires and now looks forward to coming to work. Lane is a prime example of a student's ability to gain education at the local level, and in turn, apply his knowledge within the community helping others to improve their lives as well.

By Bailey Winn, CEI



Celebrating 10 Years

BIRTHDAY BASH

EDITION

The Great Race for Education

July 20, 2018
12 - 5 PM
Snake River Landing

\$250 - Team fee (team of four, t-shirt, meal & after party)
\$500 - Clue Package (if you have a desire to win)
\$50 - Team Owners (t-shirt, meal & after party)

All proceeds benefit the College of Eastern Idaho Foundation scholarship program.

Reserve your team today
ceigiving.org



Message from the Executive Director

This year has been an unbelievable year of achievements starting with the conversion from Eastern Idaho Technical College to the newly formed College of Eastern Idaho. The College of Eastern Idaho Foundation is so excited about the new community partnerships and the additional students we can assist. The most frequent question I hear lately is, "How does this transition impact the Foundation?" To be honest it just means we need to keep doing what we are doing, building relationships and spreading the awareness in our community of how the Foundation removes financial barriers. The relationships translate into scholarships as well as campus funding support. These relationships lead to internships and employment opportunities for our graduates. The Foundation will continue to propel forward leaning into our mission by developing positive community relationships, providing

scholarship opportunities and supporting college initiatives. During the academic year 2017-2018 our community helped sponsor over 200 students with nearly \$210,000 in scholarships. The Foundation is so grateful to the many individuals, civic organizations, small and large businesses that choose to give to the CEI Foundation. We know how important it is for contributors that their donation is supporting local causes. You are supporting a student who wants nothing more than to improve their life, their future and be a part of this community. Our community college will remain affordable, accessible and helpful by providing ample opportunity to all students who choose CEI.

The most rewarding part of working with contributors towards scholarships is seeing the outcome and most importantly the smile on the face of an accomplished graduate. Our office reminds the scholarship recipients that they have a support system, their scholarship sponsor believes in them even though they may not even know who they are. Thank you to each of you, who may have donated at a fundraiser, sponsored a scholarship and/or established an endowment.

On behalf of the CEI Foundation Board of Directors we are appreciative of your belief in education and being a part of the change across our community. If you are interested in learning more about our foundation

please feel free to contact our office. We would love the chance to work with your family, business or civic organization to sponsor an annual scholarship supporting CEI students. Call me today (208) 535-5398 or e-mail natalie.hebard@cei.edu for more information.

Sincerely,

Natalie J. Hebard
Executive Director
College of Eastern Idaho
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Foundation Partner Highlight



KRAUPP INC.

Tyler Kraupp of Kraupp, Inc. is not only a supporter of the CEI Foundation, he is a part of it! He has assisted the foundation with necessary website updates and has made it possible for us to have online registration for one of our largest fundraisers. For the past several years he has sponsored web development scholarships, developing a partnership with the web development program on campus working with our faculty. Kraupp also hired a CEI student to work for his firm part time. Earlier this year Kraupp, Inc.

commissioned an artist to create a poster commemorating the eclipse this past summer. Proceeds from the poster have exceeded \$1,000 and orders keep coming in even after the eclipse and developed an agreement with KC's Framing located on Woodruff to have 10% of any framing and matting for posters to be donated back to the foundation to support scholarships. The foundation and Kraupp, Inc. have extended poster the sales into the holiday season, if you would like a poster feel free to order online today. <http://krauppinc.com/commissioned-great-eclipse-poster/> The foundation is happy to have Kraupp, Inc. as a part of our foundation family.

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