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ANNUAL FOUNDATION BANQUET

This year's scholarship banquet was held on April 25, 2018 at the Shilo Inn Convention Center. This event gives our scholarship constituents the opportunity to interact with our scholarship recipients. During the 2018-2019 academic year, you helped us award over \$250,000 in scholarship funds to assist CEI students!

Due to the College's growth, we have revamped this event this year. We thank

you for being patient and understanding as we continue to alter events. Stay tuned for additional changes in 2019!

Faculty Member of the Year - Jeffrey Olaveson, Healthcare Professions

Staff Member of the Year - Raquel Cuevas, Associate Registrar

Constituents of the Year - Louise Nelson and Anne Voilleque

Corporate Partner of the Year - Fluor Idaho

The 3-way tie winners of Great Race 2018



Louise Nelson and Anne Voilleque



Fluor Idaho



A WORD FROM THE COLLEGE PRESIDENT



College of Eastern Idaho is emerging into a new community college as of last fall. Opportunities abound in this major shift in the role of CEI for our eastern Idaho region. For a sense of perspective, CEI has doubled to 1,500 credit bearing students from Fall 2017. Our strategic direction from the CEI Board of Trustees includes: attracting high school graduates into CEI; inviting our

veteran community to earn degrees; and creating a number of programs aimed at "non-traditional students." Additionally, CEI is developing strategic relationships for our graduates who will transfer to ISU, UI, BSU, and potentially to BYUI.

The CEI Foundation is governed by a dedicated group of board members who see their role as providing financial assistance to as many of our new CEI students as possible. At the end of their two years with us, these students will be prepared for work and careers through our Career Technical Education programs, or have all the credits needed to be juniors with our partner universities toward a baccalaureates degree. Investing in the students of College of Eastern Idaho through the CEI Foundation benefits all of us, transforming the lives of individuals and creating a better-prepared workforce that fuels a vibrant economic base.

As you consider our Foundation, we hope you find ways to get involved in supporting the teaching and learning this institution provides to potential students from our community. Ways you as a potential donor could support the CEI Foundation can include: one-time gift of funds to annual scholarships, creating an ongoing "endowment," gifting appreciated assets such as stocks of property, or the gift of your time by volunteering for any of the projects and fundraising activities that CEI hosts.

I am sincere in expressing my gratitude for your gifts to the CEI Foundation and thank you on behalf of our students whose lives have been greatly influenced for the better.

Kind Regards,

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Dr. Rick Aman
President of **College of Eastern Idaho**

THE MAECK FOUNDATION DONATION

Giving is often categorized in three ways: time, treasure and talent. Bill and Shirley Maeck gave generously to the eastern Idaho community in all of these ways for many years. Specifically, Bill Maeck served at Eastern Idaho Technical College (EITC) on the Foundation Board, and as Foundation Board President. Further, he and Shirley donated thousands of dollars for scholarships over the years. Shirley was a surgical nurse and Bill had an amazing career as a scientist and investor. We proposed projects that presented important needs for CEI, and also reflected their interests and careers:

Shirley Maeck Nursing Simulation Laboratory \$922,459

- Install a 4-bed nursing simulation laboratory
- Decrease regional nursing shortage
- Add state-of-the-art facility and manikins
- Accommodate 50% of clinical requirements

Our hope was that Mr. Maeck would invest in at least one project. We will forever be grateful for his decision in December 2017 to invest in all four projects, for a total of \$1,730,000.



A close associate and friend of Bill Maeck was inspired by his gift and added \$200,000 to the donation. Bob & Su Robotti's gift, combined with the savings we realized

through prudent, careful expenditures, allowed for some additional investments including:

- Certified Nursing Assistant classroom renovation
- New classroom furniture for nursing
- New manikins for the nursing inpatient lab
- Renovation of the Armed Forces Center

We are very proud of how quickly we were able to complete the projects that Mr. Maeck's investment funded. Most importantly, we were very careful stewards of the funds making the most of each cent.

CEI has been transformed by this incredible investment from the Maeck Foundation. Not only did we vastly improve our facilities and resources for our students, but also for the community. CEI also gained important experience in managing large gifts and projects prudently.

I am very proud of the completion of these projects and am personally inspired to do all that I can to give back to my community just like Shirely and Bill Maeck.

Ann Marie Peters
Director of Strategic Partnerships

William J. Maeck Laboratory Suite \$483,849

- Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Geology Lab renovation
- Renovation of the aging workspace: tables, lighting, electrical
- Improved equipment, including microscopes
- Able to prepare students for advanced jobs and 4-year institutions

William J. and Shirley Maeck Testing Center \$165,754

- Addition of a 42-seat Testing Center
- Expand certification and testing capabilities by 6000+ testing intervals per month
- Eliminate drive to Pocatello and Salt Lake City
- Expand classroom instruction time

Surgical Manikin and Virtual Cadaver \$154,096

- Improve surgical skills through realistic practice
- Reduce "on the job" errors
- Increase consistency and detail of instruction
- Provide cadaver lab for CEI and community



FROM SUFFICIENT TO SUPERB!



THE GREAT RACE FOR EDUCATION 2018

BIRTHDAY

BASH

2018

The Great Race for Education celebrated 10 years of racing appropriately, with a Birthday Bash theme, on July 20, 2018! A massive party of colorful teams crowded onto the Snake River Landing event space awaiting directions from the enthusiastic foundation staff Natalie Hebard, Bailey Winn along with event sidekick Liza Raley from KLCE Classy 97 and Brad Brady owner of Brady's. Teams were excited to hit the ground running in support or raising funds for the newest community college in our great state. The goal of this annual event is to raise money for the CEI Foundation scholarship program 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

Although the Great Race event happens on Friday, the event begins with Prerace activities Monday - Thursday. These activities release clues for teams to search for great race feet, and to warm up the minds of racers prior to race day. Teams also have the opportunity to purchase additional advantages through the Facebook auction hosted before the Friday. The team that collects the most Prerace feet earns a free team the next year. The big winner of Prerace this year was salon h. davis. This year, the team with the most team owners, Team Fluor(with 51 owners!) celebrated under the VIP tent. Go Team Fluor!

to Snake River Landing in the top 10.

The teams faced a series of challenges ranging across downtown Idaho Falls, making sure to get their "birthday invite" stamped at each location. After the initial race, the field of competition is narrowed down to the top teams who competed in a series of beefed-up "minute-to-win-it" style games. The final challenges resulted in negotiations of three different teams buying their way into the race and top placements. Great Racers were especially motivated this year to provide as much funding for CEI scholarships as possible – the comradery was amazing!

Winning Teams

• Combined efforts of Idaho Central Credit Union. Strategic Social Partners, veteran team Old Skool All-Starz claimed first place.

- Newcomer team but prior annual supporter of GR Bateman-Hall, Inc. placed second.
 - Continuous sponsor and participating team Cargill placed third.

All teams will be recognized at our annual scholarship event awarding Great Race scholarships to students for academic year 2019-2020.

As exciting as the competition is, the teams never forget their true goal.

> This event is one that brings students and raise scholarship funds. This year the event raised over \$55,000 - a record breaking year! Over 125 volunteers helped at base camp and in the field that day. None of this would have been possible without our wonderful volunteers and the financial support of our participants!

everyone together to help CEI

Event Sponsors

· Snake River Landing · Fluor Idaho

· Mountain View Hospital · Wells Fargo

· Battelle Energy Alliance Operators of Idaho National Laboratory

· Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center

· Idaho Central Credit Union

· Fisher's Technology · Teton Auto Group

July 19, 2019 registration is already open at ceigiving.org. Only 35 team spots are available for the event, so register quickly!

For additional information about sponsorships, team reservations, and volunteering contact us: scholarships@cei.edu or call 208.535.5398

UPCOMING CEI FOUNDATION EVENTS

December 18, 2019 - Barnes & Noble Book Fair

Mention "CEI Foundation" upon checkout for a portion of the proceeds to benefit the CEI Scholarship Fund. We also welcome you to shop online **bn.com/bookfairs** from 12/18-12/20.

Use our book fair ID -12396016.

February 8, 2019 - Scholarship Deadline

Applications for the 2019-2020 academic year are due by 5pm. Turn in physical copies to the CEI Foundation Office(located in Building 3). Scan the QR code or visit **ceigiving.org/scholarship** to apply!



April 18, 2019 - Annual Scholarship Showcase

This year's event will be at the Waterfront at Snake River Landing at 7pm. RSVP required: scholarships@cei.edu

May 2, 2019 - Idaho Gives

A 24-hour statewide nonprofit giving day! Last year, over \$3,000 was raised to support Donate at **idahogives.org**

Friday, June 21, 2019 - 3rd Annual Swing for the Green

Bank of Idaho's Swing for the Green Golf Tournament is hosted at the Idaho Falls Country Club. Contact Jarod Phillips for information about sponsorships and team registration. All proceeds benefit scholarship endowment fund. j.phillips@bankofidaho.net

July 19, 2019 - 11th Annual Great Race for Education

Flamingo Edition! Register online at **ceigiving.org** Register soon; we are limited to 35 team entries!

For information on getting involved, email us at scholarships@cei.edu



THE CEI LEGACY PATHWAY

The History....

Since 1992, the College of Eastern Idaho Foundation has supported the College's efforts to develop our community through learning. Investing in the College through the Foundation benefits all, transforming the lives of individuals and creating a better prepared workforce that fuels a healthy economy.

The Future...

Now you can help pave a path in the future of College of Eastern Idaho! We invite you to remember loved ones, honor friends and family, or commemorate special occasions by purchasing tribute pavers to be embedded in our landscaped CEI Foundation Legacy

Pathway and Donor Triangle, located outside the Cafeteria. This holiday season, gift a paver that supports education, and leaves a lasting imprint on

our campus!

All proceeds benefit our college students through the CEI Foundation Scholarship Fund. Financial assistance is often a major roadblock to a potential student starting and/or finishing their education. You can make a difference!

Please order your paver today with the enclosed order form. Cost of pavers are \$50.00 for a 4"x8" and \$100.00 for the

8"x8" size.

Visit **ceigiving.org** to learn more about the CEI Foundation.

Contact us with any questions: call 208.535.5398 or email us at scholarships@cei.edu

A CEI FOUNDATION MESSAGE

I am so humbled and proud to be part of such a giving community. We just finished our first full year as the new College of Eastern Idaho and boy has Eastern Idaho shown us their support! We were so fortunate to have an increase in giving to the Foundation and we are so grateful to all those who have contributed.

As we see enrollment continue to rise at the college our need for your giving also rises. So many in our community rely on scholarships to make their dream of an education come to fruition. We have had so many students come back to us and let us

know that without the help from the Foundation they would not have been able to afford a higher education. Many of those students are raising a family while attending classes and still working a part-time or full-time job. The education they receive from CEI will not only help them obtain a better paying job or make a career change, it also serves as a great example to their family the importance they place on a college education. Especially the first-generation college students. These students are establishing new pathways in their families for younger siblings and future generations to follow.

The Foundation is busy year-round with fundraisers and attending community events to raise the awareness of the College and the Foundation. Our biggest fundraiser, The Great Race for Education, was a record breaker again. It takes a lot of

volunteers for this event; thank you to all who were so generous with your time and talents. We couldn't do it without you. And to those of you who were on a team or sponsored a team we hope you had a great time, and thank you for your support of the Foundation.

When you see Natalie
or Bailey out at a
community event
stop and say "Hi"
and let them know
you support the
Foundation.
And speaking of
supporting the
Foundation, make
sure you let your friends
and family know about
CEI and the Foundation if

they don't already. We would love you to spread the good word.

I wish you all could read all the thank you letters the Foundation receives from scholarship recipients. It makes the heart happy and brings a smile to your face and often a tear to your eye. So please continue to give and show your support of the Foundation and our community. Together we're making a positive impact not only on Eastern Idaho but in the lives of so many. On behalf of the entire Board of Directors, thank you so much for your generosity.

Gratefully,

Krisi Staten
Vice Chair of the CEI Foundation

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SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHT

After the 2008 market crash, Wes Fife was forced to close his construction business and move to North Dakota to support his family. After his daughter, Izibele, was born in 2011, Wes had a desire to work closer to home so that he could contribute to raising his child. After exploring several options, Wes decided to pursue a career in the Nursing field at the College of Eastern Idaho (then EITC) and started the RN nursing program in the Summer of 2015.

Wes chose the nursing program because of his interest in human anatomy. He knew that the nursing industry was lacking the number of nurses for the demand, and felt he could find a specialty that would satisfy his desire for a fast-paced work environment. Wes has aspirations to be employed either in the emergency room or operating room when he graduates from the program in May 2019.

While attending CEI, Wes has chosen to make the most out of his college experience. Currently the Vice President **II** As soon as I am able, of CEI's Student Senate, Wes encourages other students to become involved on campus and participate in college activities. "The students, staff, and faculty of CEI are amazing," says Wes. "Everyone is very supportive and wants to see you succeed. The teachers are warm and eager to help you reach your educational goals.

Getting involved on campus has enhanced my college experience and cemented some of the relationships I have formed with classmates, staff, and faculty."

During his time at CEI, Wes has received several scholarship awards for his academics from the Foundation. "The scholarships I received have immensely helped the financial burden pursuing a degree would have put on my family," Wes stated.



Meeting the donors that sponsored his scholarships inspired Wes to

> give back to the campus that helped change his life. He encourages others who have received scholarships to do the same.

Wes encourages others that are thinking about going back to college to highly consider CEI. The close location, inexpensive tuition, and resources available eliminate most hurdles students face when deciding to further their

education. Because of the opportunities Wes obtained at CEI, he now possesses the skills and confidence to take his career to the next level, and pursue his Bachelors of Nursing.

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to another student who

may be struggling.

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