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with the new president,
Dr. Penny Wills

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for their service to YC

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a letter to our members



Last year at this time, I announced that the Yavapai College Foundation (YCF) had set a goal to grow the YCF endowment to \$16,000,000 by the year 2020. This will call for an almost \$10,000,000 increase over the next 10 years. I am very pleased to report that during the past fiscal year, 2010-2011, we made meaningful and measurable progress. We added \$1,596,068 to the endowment during the year, bringing the total at fiscal year end to \$8,230,185.

Much of this growth is attributable to generous donors who chose to make a positive difference in the lives of deserving YC students by making a gift to the YCF student scholarship endowment. Some chose to add to an existing scholarship fund, while others decided to establish a new endowed scholarship fund, named in honor of a loved one. Many donors prefer the second option because it provides a scholarship to one or more students each year in perpetuity. In all, YCF added 18 new endowed scholarship funds during the year; the most in one year by far than any year in YCF's history (see graphs and charts, p. 12). We are deeply grateful to all of you who contributed to this program last year.

Together we raised \$1,646,609, bringing our five-year total since FY06-07 up to a record \$7,139,882. Most importantly, during the last

five years YCF has transferred \$4,470,136 to YC for capital construction projects; educational, cultural and social programs; and student scholarships.

Of equal or even greater importance, YCF has grown its Legacy League to 133 members, with 125 of those members joining in the last five years. Legacy League members are those special people who designate a gift to YC through their will or other type of planned gift. Although it is not cash in hand, it will be a perpetual source of funding that will assure continuation and growth of educational programs and services not guaranteed by existing funding sources and provide affordable education for all Yavapai County residents.

It is definitely an exciting time to be a part of YCF. People with exceptional talents and financial capacity live in our community and are generously sharing their time and resources in support of YC programs. Philanthropy trends are shifting to "give locally," and YCF can offer outstanding returns to donors in terms of benefits and personal fulfillment. If you are not yet involved with YCF, I invite you to call me or stop by my office to discuss the many opportunities that are available to make a difference for your Yavapai College. Thank you for your support!

Steven M. Walker
Executive Director

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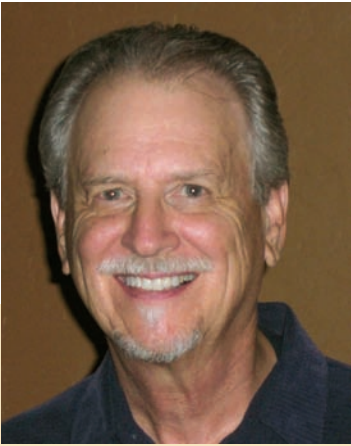
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The mission of the Yavapai College

Foundation is to support Yavapai College objectives and activities through resource development and promote community awareness of the College and its programs.



from the president

This summer I had the chance to pause and reflect on the activities and accomplishments of the Yavapai College Foundation during the past fiscal year 2010-2011, which ended June 30, 2011. By every measure it was a banner year!

We again strengthened our Board of Directors with the addition of Dr. Bertrand Kaper, Mrs. Bonnie McMinn and Mrs. Regina Younger. We added to our cadre of volunteers with special interest in supporting a particular College program area by establishing two new YCF auxiliaries, Friends of the Yavapai College Library and Friends of Verde Arts. We also fortified YCF support for educational programs in the Verde Valley through the excellent fundraising and outreach efforts of the Greater Verde Valley Chapter. Add to these efforts the great work of Friends of Music, Friends of YC Art (Prescott) and the Roughrider Club, and I'm very proud to say that more volunteers are now working to raise awareness and resources in support of YC through YCF than ever before.

I am also very heartened to see that so many people in our community – almost one thousand in all last fiscal year – chose to make a gift. Your thoughtful gifts provide a margin of excellence for YC educational programs, and they provide scholarships for many students each year; students who, without this scholarship support, would not be able to realize their

dream of a college education. Your gifts also enhance cultural and social opportunities on our campuses. Last year alone, these gifts allowed YCF and its auxiliaries to break ground on a new construction phase in the beautiful Sculpture Garden; support special choral and instrumental concerts; offer Artist in Residence programs for thousands of area school children; underwrite the Literary Southwest Writers Series and purchase National Championship rings for our women's softball team. Thank you for enriching our community through your generosity.

I look forward with enthusiasm to working with YC and YCF leaders to accomplish a new set of goals in the year ahead, and I invite you to join us. Please consider volunteering with one of our auxiliaries, endowing a new student scholarship, enjoying a show in the newly remodeled Performance Hall or becoming a member of the Legacy League. There are so many ways to help YCF improve the quality of life for everyone in Yavapai County.

Dr. Richard Wright
YCF Board President

Verde Valley Campus

New outdoor pavilion to be focal point of campus and community

The new outdoor pavilion at Yavapai College's Verde Valley Campus will create an exciting venue for campus and community activities. Placed in the hub of the campus, the 4,163 square-foot pavilion will offer an inviting shaded structure, according to Tom Schumacher, dean for Instruction and Student Services at the Verde Valley Campus.



"I envision everything happening there from gala events like graduation and the *French Flair* – to classes, lectures, concerts, movies, theatrical plays, poetry readings – or just hanging out in a cool place," Schumacher said.

The pavilion was designed by GLHN Architects & Engineers, Inc., is being constructed by Flagstaff Design and Construction. It features walkways to guide students and the public to the pavilion's convergence point – geometric rafters pointing to

a three-foot-high, 412 square-foot stage. The structure will seat approximately 465 people theatre-style and be "equipped with state-of-the-art sound and lighting systems for the students and community of the Verde Valley to use and enjoy," added Schumacher. David Laurence, YC's Facilities director said an audio/visual package is in the design stage and will include equipment necessary to conduct movie nights along with other events that will utilize projection screens.



Steve Walker, executive director of the Yavapai College Foundation, said the pavilion offers a great location for fundraising events and presents numerous naming opportunities for major gifts.

Photos

The pavilion's design elements were selected to blend with the natural elements around the campus.





Dr. Penny Wills

In August 2011, Yavapai College welcomed new Yavapai College President Dr. Penelope “Penny” Wills. After an extensive national search, Wills was selected over three other finalists. She comes to YC from Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC), where she served as president for the past seven years. Her outgoing personality and deep background in academic instruction, student services, and vocational and technical education are some of the qualities that make her a great fit for YC. Dr. Wills was instrumental in strengthening the Advancement Department and Foundation at NICC and will bring those skills to the Yavapai College Foundation (YCF) as a member of the YCF Board. “The YCF Board and its chapter and auxiliaries are very excited with the prospect of working with Dr. Wills to make an already outstanding community college foundation even better,” stated YCF Board President Dr. Richard Wright.

Foundation Executive Director Steve Walker had the chance to sit down with Dr. Wills during her first week in her new role and asked her a few questions:

You have held some impressive leadership positions at other community colleges around the country. What was it about Yavapai College that motivated you to apply?

- The obvious strength of this College and its relationship to the communities it serves.
- The professional expertise of the faculty and staff as evidenced by its level of engagement in their own professional development and commitment to students (e.g., Technology Enhanced Learning Services and the Great Ideas for Teaching Center).
- The genuine commitment to continuous quality improvement (e.g., YC being one of the pioneer 12 community college’s across the nation for inclusion in the first Pathways accreditation program by the Higher Learning Commission).

- Partnerships with our communities in workforce as well as economic development (e.g., strong Career and Technical Education programs and the new Viticulture Program).

- Ownership by the communities we serve by the public utilization of our services and programs (e.g., Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Libraries, and even the location for the Prescott Farmer’s Market).

- Creativity of new models for education (e.g., NAU/YC model for providing four year programs in an effective and efficient way).

Now that you are here and working, what are some of your first impressions of Yavapai College?

- Everything I had read, learned and gathered while considering coming to Yavapai had all been positive and my impressions have proven to exceed my expectations now that I am here.

- The communities we serve ‘own’ their College, which is something we all take very seriously and respect.

- The faculty and staff are committed to our students and serving our communities.

- Our Foundation is amazing...giving of their time, expertise and resources. Greatly appreciated!

Would you please share with us some of your short- and long-term goals that you hope to accomplish during your presidency?

- Number one is to connect to our communities, both internally (students, faculty and staff) and the local cities, towns and areas.

- Strengthen our ties with our economic development partners.

- Review our enrollment processes to ensure that the public perceives us as an excellent choice for their academic and personal development as well as a welcoming environment.

Please share with us a little more about yourself (interests, hobbies, etc.).

- Love to read!

- Grew up with horses back in Cincinnati – miss them but learned a lot from them!

- Have a wonderful long-haired daschund named Burrito.

New board members



Bertrand Kaper, MD, is an orthopedic surgeon and partner with Orthopedic Specialists of Central Arizona in Prescott. He is also a Clinical Assistant Professor with the Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine in Glendale, Ariz., and an active staff member in the

Department of Surgery at Yavapai Regional Medical Center. He graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in Chicago, completed his internship and residency at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, NH, and completed an adult reconstructive fellowship in total joint arthroplasty at the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada.



Bonnie McMinn completed her degree in Accounting and European History at Albion College and worked for eight years as a CPA for Porvin & Tobes in Southfield, Mich. She then made a career change to communication technology sales,

where she excelled for more than 20 years. She served as an account manager for Ameritech/SBC, Lucent Technologies, Avaya, Cisco and Nortel, and was Channel Sales Director for AT&T. Since moving to Prescott in 2009, Mrs. McMinn founded and is the owner of “Focus on Health, Wellness and Fitness, LLC.” The private studio provides individual and custom designed fitness programs. She is also active in a number of local charities.



Regina Younger’s professional background includes six years as a high school mathematics teacher and five years as an American Sign Language professor at Glendale Community College. She then spent 20 years as a regional sales director for McDougal

Little/Houghton Mifflin Publishing Company, rising through the ranks to become manager of national sales training and professional development. Since moving to Prescott, Mrs. Younger has been very active in support of numerous community organizations.

- Both my husband and I love to cook and bake.

- Enjoy travel, especially in the Southwest!

Is there anything else you would like to communicate to the Yavapai College Foundation members?

- Simply and succinctly...THANK YOU! I respect and value your generosity and commitment to making Yavapai College a great learning environment for everyone!

Education

- BS in Elementary Education, University of Cincinnati
- MS in Counseling, Miami University
- Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration, Michigan State University
- Institute for Educational Management, Harvard University



Experience

- President, Northeast Iowa Community College (2004-2011)
- Vice President for Student Development, Georgia Highlands (1997-2004)
- Dean for Student Development, Portland Community College (Oregon)
- Director for Residence Life, Reed College, Portland, OR
- Associate Director Of Student Development, New Mexico State University
- Residence Life, Michigan State University
- Residence Life, Miami University

Career Enhancement Award Winners

For the fifth year in a row, the Yavapai College Foundation awarded staff and faculty with Roger Runyan Employee Career Enhancement Awards. The award, named after long-time employee Roger Runyan who passed away in late 2007, provides financial assistance to full-time staff of Yavapai College actively seeking increased professionalism and effectiveness through educational enrichment opportunities.

The Yavapai College Foundation sponsors the awards and determines funding annually (to date, recipients have each received \$1,000).

JoBeth Linzy is a Radiology clinical coordinator in the Nursing/Allied Health Department and has been with the college for over two years. Her award will go toward coursework in the Master of Arts in Education program at McKendree University.

Thatcher Bohrman has been with the college for nearly 11 years and is currently working as specialist in the Technology Enhanced Learning Services Department. Bohrman is studying for a certificate in copyright management and leadership from the University of Maryland University College.

For more information about the Roger Runyan Employee Career Enhancement Fund, call (928) 776-2025.

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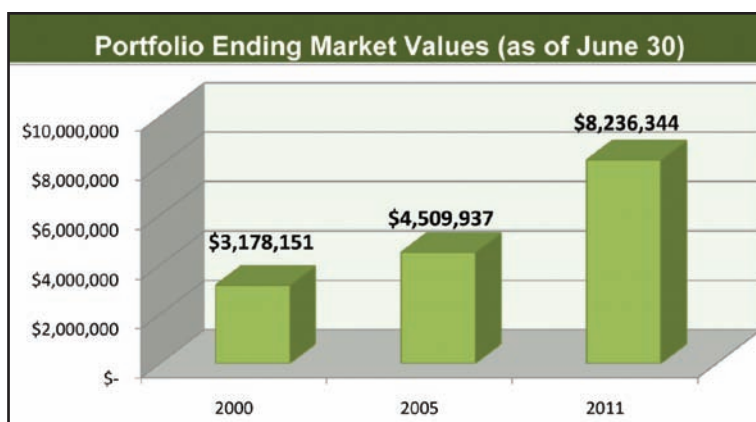
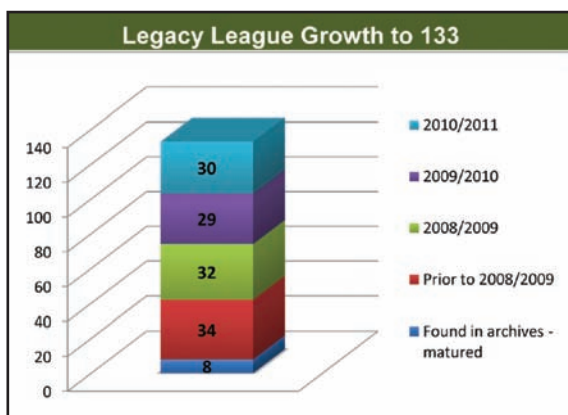
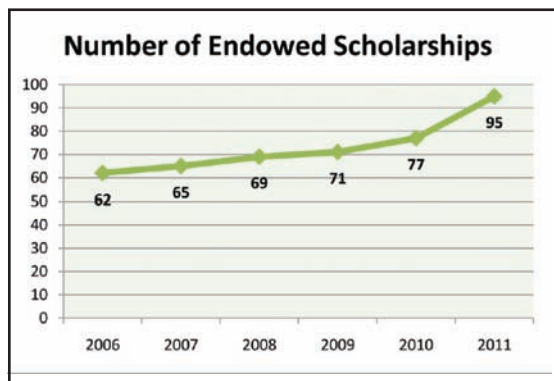
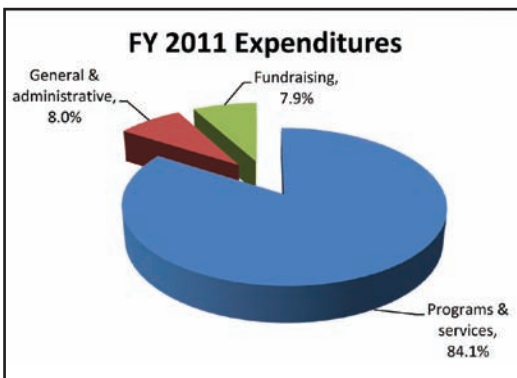
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Annual Report 2010-11 *YCF Legacy League*

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Ginny Chanda
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difference
through
teaching.

Now she's
leaving a
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Virginia Val Chanda came to the Yavapai College Verde Valley Campus from Chicago in 1979 to fill the position of full-time English instructor. Over the years, she taught Composition, Creative Writing, Introduction to Shakespeare, World Literature and other courses in the English program.

With the creation of the Liberal Studies Program in the early 1990s, she joined the team teaching Western Civilization, Technology and Human Values, and Connections classes. From 1998 to 2001, she served as division chair for Division I at the Verde Valley Campus.

An important part of Ginny's teaching philosophy is that writing teachers should write. She used summers and breaks to draft the first couple of her novels. Since her retirement from Yavapai College in 2006, Ginny has continued to write fiction and, under the name Val Chanda, published her first novel in 2011.

In leading by example, Ginny recently pledged a future bequest to help establish and endow the "Virginia Val Chanda Faculty Emeritus Scholarship."

This makes her a direct part of Yavapai College's efforts to inspire people to care about the future of education in our community.

For more information about making a bequest, a gift of life insurance or other ways to include Yavapai College in your estate plans, please contact Paul Kirchgraber at (928) 717-7773 or Linda Buchanan at (928) 634-6530.

YCF Honors Local Leaders for their Service to Yavapai College

The Yavapai College Foundation (YCF) held its 2011 annual meeting luncheon on May 25 in the Susan N. Webb Community Room on the Prescott Campus. Dr. Jim Horton, retiring Yavapai College president, congratulated and thanked the YCF Board members, staff and volunteers for their superior year of fundraising and support on behalf of the College. "I have appreciated so much the opportunity to work with the Foundation during my six years as president," Horton stated. "I hope the YCF Board and staff are as proud of all the great work they have done for Yavapai College during this time as I am."

Foundation Executive Director Steve Walker presented awards to individuals whom he said, "have given tirelessly of their precious time and resources to provide Yavapai College with a margin of excellence in serving our students and community." As in years past, awardees received beautiful hand-carved native bird sculptures created by renowned wood carver Bill Neeley.

The YCF Philanthropy Award was presented to Mr. and Mrs. John Downing, Jr. The Downings live in Texas and could not attend the meeting, so Ron and Gennie Fuemmeler and Rachel Wells accepted the award on their behalf. YCF was the recipient of two commercial and residential real estate properties from the Downings, former long-time Prescott residents. Mr. and Mrs. Downing directed that the proceeds from the sale of the properties, valued at \$630,000, be used to fund two new

endowed scholarships in honor of their dear friends Ron and Gennie Fuemmeler and Rachel and Fred Wells. Mrs. Fuemmeler is a retired YC English instructor and Mr. and Mrs. Wells taught engraving in the YC Gunsmithing Program.

The YCF Service Award was presented to Ray Waguespack, who has been a member of the YCF auxiliary Friends of YC Art for the past six years and served as its president for the past four years. During his tenure as president, significant accomplishments of Friends included development of a beautiful Sculpture Garden Guide with Waguespack's own photos of the garden and sculptures; purchase and placement of two new sculptures; construction of the Phillips amphitheater and development of design plans for Phase IV of the garden. Construction is now underway.

The YCF Achievement Award was presented to outgoing Roughrider Club President Jim Welch. During his tenure, the successful Roughrider Athletic Awards Banquet was started to honor more than 100 outstanding student athletes and to raise money for athletic programs and student scholarships. Also, an annual welcome night event was started each August to introduce student athletes to each other and to Roughrider Club members and fans. In addition, the Roughrider Club now sponsors a float for student athletes to ride on in the annual Prescott Christmas parade. Also under Welch's leadership, the first endowed scholarship fund for student athletes was instituted, and money raised by the club was invested in improvements to the baseball and softball fields; out of





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- Dr. Jim Horton



state travel for YC teams; tournament sponsorships and to purchase two sets of national championship rings for YC players.

The YCF Spirit Award was presented to Ruth Wicks, who joined the Greater Verde Valley Chapter (GVVC) board three years ago. Almost immediately after joining, Wicks and her brother Jerry endowed a nursing scholarship in honor of their mother Ruth Whitten. Ms. Whitten was a nurse decades ago at the Jerome hospital and Clarkdale medical facility. In only her second year on the GVVC board, Wicks ascended to the presidency, and under her leadership the chapter grew and matured significantly. They held their first annual signature event, French Flair in the Verde Countryside, which was a big success in its first year. Also under her leadership, the chapter doubled the dollars raised over the previous year.

YCF President Dr. Richard Wright presented the final award, the YCF Leadership Award, to Dr. Jim Horton, who is retiring after 30 years as a community college chancellor or president. His many accomplishments include the purchase of the new 108,000 square-foot Career and Technical Education Center (CTEC) and the

revitalization of all YC vocational and technical programs; completion of the \$69.5 million bond program passed in 2000 and the dramatic expansion of online learning programs throughout Yavapai County.

“Jim has been an outstanding board member of YCF,” Wright said. “He has been active on committees and has been a generous personal donor to many YCF programs. YCF has grown in stature and credibility because Jim has been steadfast in his position that the Foundation is vitally important to the success of the College.”

As a token of appreciation by YCF, Dr. Horton was given a beautiful Hopi Wapamo Kachina Doll from Bill Neeley’s private collection. Renowned Hopi carver Tino Youvella, who still carves from his home in Polacca, First Mesa, Ariz., carved the doll 50 years ago.

Photos

Top: YCF Board President Dr. Richard Wright (left) and YCF Executive Director Steve Walker (right) present the YCF Leadership Award to Dr. Jim Horton.

Bottom: Gennie Fuemmeler (second from left), Ron Fuemmeler and Rachel Wells accept the YCF Philanthropy Award on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. John Downing, Jr. from Walker (left) and Wright (right).



YCF Round-up 2010-2011

The **Friends of the Verde Art** (FOVA) is a newly adopted auxiliary of the Yavapai College Foundation, and will raise funds to support the Verde Valley Fine Arts program by promoting and supporting the activities of the Art Gallery, the Art Club, the Clay Club and educational activities of the Art Department. During the 2010-11 academic year, FOVA hosted Verde Art Gallery artists' receptions to promote local artists and FOVA activities.

Friends of YC Art kicked off the creation of the Sculpture Garden Phase IV by holding their first "Evening in the Garden" fundraiser in October. Guests enjoyed music, fine wine and hors d'oeuvres while celebrating the beauty of the Sculpture Garden and development progress made to date. Planning has begun for another "Evening" this fall. Proceeds from the event, along with a \$9,000 gift from the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe, allowed for the commencement of Phase IV construction, scheduled to be completed in Spring 2012. Sales of bricks and trees remain strong and the completion of Phase IV will allow for more donor opportunities.

Friends of the Yavapai College Library (FOL) is the newest auxiliary of the Yavapai College Foundation. Patsy Ray is leading the steering committee to recruit board members. In February, FOL kicked off its membership drive with a reception co-hosted with The Literary Southwest Writers Series. The event featured a private tour of collaborative broadsides by international artists titled "Al -Mutanabbi Street Starts Here." The show's curator and internationally renowned author and poet, Beau Beausoleil, led the tour.

Friends of Music (FOM) provided funding for four choral and four instrumental scholarships during the 2010-2011 fiscal year through its "pocket change" campaign at the concerts. In April, an anonymous donor endowed a choral scholarship in honor of long-time YC Choral Director Dr. Will Fisher, who retired after 27 years at YC. FOM raised additional resources, and the scholarship is now funded at \$57,431.

The Greater Verde Valley Chapter (GVVC) held its first fundraising event, "French Flair in the Verde Countryside," on

Oct. 28 at the Verde Valley Campus. Over 100 guests enjoyed great food, wine, music, artwork and a silent auction. The event raised \$8,000, which will support the Viticulture Program and scholarships.



Attendees enjoy the Friends of YC Art event "Evening in the Garden."

YCF and the GVVC received a \$110K Walton Family Foundation grant to fund the Verde River Economic Development Study. Of the total award, \$10,000 was directed to YCF for its role as fiscal agent. The grant funded research work aimed at protecting the tributaries of the Colorado River, including the Verde River. This is the first time WFF has partnered with a community college for such a study.

The GVVC continued to raise money for the Florence Nightingale Scholarship fund and made its first awards of \$16,000 to Verde Valley nursing majors. This year, the chapter raised an additional \$16,000 in scholarship funds, which it awarded to nursing majors for 2011-12.

The Roughrider Club (RRC) contributed approximately \$26,000 to YC Athletics to fund several projects including new turf in the baseball field around the dugouts and home plate area; funding for the athletic director to meet monthly with the Student Athlete Council; Softball National Championship rings; and off-season travel for the soccer team to play in California.

The 3rd Annual Yavapai College Roughrider Club Athletic Awards Banquet and Fundraiser held April 23 was again successful, raising more than \$5,000 for athletic scholarships. More than 240 guests attended. RRC embarked on several other projects, including an Athletic Department Kick-off celebration in August, and a sponsored float in the Prescott Christmas Parade, with more than 60 athletes, club members and families participating.

The Scholarship Committee hosted its first annual Scholarship Reception in April to allow scholarship donors the opportunity to meet students who have received scholarship awards. Attendees enjoyed a gourmet brunch and music performed by scholarship awardees. During FY 2010-11, YCF added 18 new endowed scholarships, bringing the total number of endowed scholarships to 95. More than \$160,000 will be awarded to students in 2011-12.

YC Performance Hall 2011-2012 Season



Music legend Sergio Mendes

It's showtime again at the Yavapai College Performance Hall! We're kicking off the 20th season with a fabulous new look to the Hall and lots of great shows to choose from! Rock and roll, country and western music, comedy, jazz, blues and classical ... there is something for everyone!

With the season in full swing, join us for "The Official Blues Brothers Review" on Fri., Oct. 21; the sultry sounds of Rio with "Sergio Mendes" on Fri., Nov. 4; followed by the legendary vocal harmonies of "The Four Freshmen" on Fri., Nov. 11. View the entire 2011-2012 season at yc.edu/communityevents.

Ordering tickets for Performance Hall events is easy.

- Call: (928) 776-2000
- Online at: yc.edu/communityevents.
- On the Prescott Campus: The ticket office has relocated to the Welcome Center (Building 28-101), the first building on the right upon entering campus with easy access and parking. Open Mon.-Fri. from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and at the Performance Hall one hour before showtime for last minute ticket sales.

Announcing "Mile High Talent Show"

Miss your chance last year? The Mile High Talent Show (formerly "Prescott's Got Talent") will be held this year on Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. in the Yavapai College Performance Hall.

Last year's show featured 24 top-shelf acts with proceeds supporting the Yavapai College Alumni Scholarship Fund. More than 300 attendees helped to raise \$5,000, and the goal for 2011 is to double that figure.

Auditions for talented individuals looking to be a part of this year's show will be held on Oct. 19 and 20 from 5-9 p.m. in the Yavapai College Performance Hall. A variety of acts will be selected to create a theatrical revue consisting of music, dance, comedy, magic and skits.

"We are very excited to see what this talented community will offer this year, and performers will be eligible for some great prizes and awards thanks to our current sponsors - Arizona's Home Town Radio Group, Cable One, The Daily Courier and StauffenbergStudio," said Alumni Outreach Director Barbara Claybaugh. "A cash award of \$1,000 will be presented to the overall winner and a lucky runner up act will receive \$500."

Ticket purchases are in support of the Yavapai College Scholarship Funds. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children.

View a short video highlighting last year's performance at: youtube.com/watch?v=7_YHtdAO9Qc

More information about auditions for the Mile High Talent Show can be found at yc.edu/alumni-talent

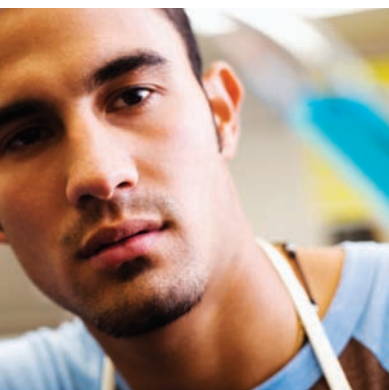


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Scholarships from more than 90 endowed funds benefit hundreds of students each year, with almost \$2 million awarded to deserving undergraduates over the last two decades. Establish a scholarship now!

Friends of Verde Arts assists Art Department programs on the Verde Valley Campus and Sedona Center for Arts and Technology, including the Verde Art Gallery and Verde Sculpture Garden. Join FOVA and support visual arts in the Verde Valley!

Friends of YC Art supports students and faculty in the Visual Arts Department. Friends also raises money for the construction and management of the Sculpture Garden. Help Friends complete the purchase of two new sculptures for the Garden by making a donation today.

Friends of the Yavapai College Library helps the library provide programs and services that connect the community to the library as a cultural and literary center. Join this new auxiliary today!

Friends of Music supports Music Department programs and students, including student scholarships, instrumental and choral needs. Show your ongoing support of YC music and become a member today!

Greater Verde Valley Chapter (GVVC) raises funds for campus programs in Cottonwood, Clarkdale and Sedona. Help GVVC build their much-needed book scholarship fund and Florence Nightingale Nursing Scholarship Program!

The Roughrider Club supports student athletes, teams and athletic facilities. Support YC's outstanding athletics program by getting involved today.

Performing Arts Charitable Endowment (PACE) supports YC Community Events' ability to offer high caliber entertainment and bring artistic programs to thousands of area school children each year. Give a gift today and help local students experience culturally diverse educational programs in which they may not otherwise participate.

President's Priority Fund enables YC President Penny Wills the flexibility to meet emerging strategic priorities of the College.

Legacy League members have established a bequest or planned gift in the name of Yavapai College or the Yavapai College Foundation. Make a difference in someone's life at Yavapai College by joining this exclusive club today.

As Yavapai County and Yavapai College grow, the need for a strong and financially supportive Foundation has never been greater.

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