

# FOUNDATION

2009 ANNUAL REPORT

## Digital Bridge Academy Lights a New Path for Local Student

**Rapidly Growing Program  
Receives \$900K from the  
Hewlett Foundation**



**C**arlos Anaya was helping his family by working as a migrant education teacher's assistant when he saw a flyer about the **Digital Bridge Academy**, a rapidly growing model program for the inspiration, preparation and retention of nontraditional community college students.

"I just wanted to get an AA and start working," he said. "A lot of my friends had nice cars. Getting \$10 an hour was a big deal."

Instead, Carlos, 24, graduated from Cabrillo College, and went on to earn a bachelor's degree this year from California State University of Monterey Bay in Collaborative Health and Human Services.

In DBA, which has garnered increasing national attention since its inception in 2002,

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## Radiology Program Continues to Draw Topnotch Students

**Gifts From Area Hospitals Help Shape the Future of the Program**

**W**ith three children at home, Niki Thompson headed back to school to get her degree in Radiologic Technology at Cabrillo College's award winning program and launch a new career.

By the time she graduated in 2000, she had trained at three local hospitals and clinical settings and was quickly hired at Community Hospital of Monterey Peninsula where she has worked ever since.

"I think it's a great program," says Niki, who oversees the hospital's radiology staff of more than two dozen people and often gets to hire new graduates. "I had great experiences at all of the hospitals I went to for training."

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Julio Romero, Watsonville Police Officer and CAP Alum with CAP Students and CAP Donors David and Penny Chesluk



President's Circle Committee Chairs honored at the President's Holiday Party: (front row) Harvey Nickelson, Mary Blanchard, Jess Brown, Ed Banks. (back row) Greg Evans, Erik Johnson, Mickey Evans, Brian King, Steve John, Kurt Kniffin, and John Burroughs. Not pictured: John Petersen



Cabrillo College Foundation Board of Directors: (first row) Mary Blanchard, Claudine Wildman, Norm Schwartz, Earleen Overend, Diane Craddock, Renée Kilmer, Jean Tschohl Quinn, Erik Johnson. (second row) Janet Heien, Ed Banks, Brigid Simpkins, Pegi Ard, Carlos Palacios, Melinda Silverstein. (third row) Michael Machado, David Heald. (fourth row) Edda Tusinac, Carol Schmidt, Ofelia Garcia, Manuel Osorio, Ramon Gomez. (fifth row) Rachael Spencer, Dennis Bailey-Fougner and Brian King. Not pictured: Michael Allard, Claire Biancalana, Blaine Brokaw, Richard Crocker, Greg Evans, Steve John, Frank Minuti, Gary Reece and Pamela Santacroce.



Barbara Samper and her family

## Executive Message

*"We are so fortunate to live in such a generous community; a community who comes together to help students in need."*

— Diane Craddock,  
Cabrillo College Foundation President



Melinda Silverstein, Diane Craddock and Brian King

**T**hanks to our community, the Cabrillo College Foundation continues to make a significant impact on the students of Cabrillo College. During a time when students need help the most, our community, through their generosity and foresight, has positioned the Cabrillo College Foundation to provide significant support to our students.

"Our local community is strong in its support of Cabrillo, understanding the importance of the college in informing and touching so many lives, either their neighbor next door, their own children, brother, mother, or the young man who bags their groceries," said Diane Craddock, Cabrillo College Foundation Board President.

This Annual Report includes stories of some of our successful students, like soon-to-be nurses Roberta Lima and Asmara Gebre; radiologic technologists Niki Thompson, Amanda Williams, and George Sanchez; future firefighter Jesse Cornejo; social worker Carlos Anaya; future international businesswoman Elda Meza; transfer student Maria del Rosario Fernandez Ortiz; Cabrillo Advancement Program (CAP) graduates Jose Pedraza, Maria Barranco and Ricardo Martinez; and Cisco Networking Academy student Jonathan Simms.

"We are so grateful to the community for providing their financial support to Cabrillo students at such a critical time. Students tell us over and over that they appreciate not only the financial support, but the vote of confidence as they pursue their educational and career goals," said Cabrillo College President Brian King.

Thanks to the support of our community, Cabrillo College and the Cabrillo College Foundation continue to ensure student success. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our students. As American Dream Scholarship recipient Hyo-Jin Light said, "Young people need to believe we're not alone."

### 2008-2009 Foundation Achievements

- **\$2,026,550 raised to support students and programs at Cabrillo College**
- **4,229 donors contributed with the median gift of \$50**
- **\$403,000 in scholarship funds to 563 students**
- **\$23,229 awarded to Cabrillo faculty for grants for student success**

(Digital Bridge Academy, continued from cover)

a diverse group of students gain a new understanding of their personal learning styles. There are social justice papers, training in team management and group dynamics, and mind-body movement classes.

Diego Navarro, a former businessman who launched the program at Cabrillo College has been actively engaged in expanding it to other community colleges. Cabrillo staff and faculty have played a major role in the success and expansion of the DBA.



(first row) Craig Hayward, Adela Najarro, Renée Kilmer. (second row) Wanda Garner, Victoria Lewis. (third row) Melinda Silverstein and Rock Pfothenhauer. Not pictured: Victoria Bañales, Kathy Cowan, Nancy Fetterman, Geneffa Jonker, Diego Navarro, Diane Putnam, Conrad Scott-Curtis, and James Weckler.

Last summer, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation awarded DBA a \$900,000 grant to help meet the growing demand for the program throughout the state. Another \$2,700,000 grant is pending from a private foundation for this effort. The grants will help fund a two-year effort to further develop and implement the DBA Intensive Acceleration Model at Cabrillo College, Hartnell College and three other community colleges. DBA will pilot a bridge semester that combines its foundation course with accelerated English and math studies. An estimated 1,440 at-risk community college students will have the opportunity to emerge from remedial course work in four semesters.

"DBA made me see education through a different lens," Carlos said. "It wasn't just about sitting in class but about working together. We were connecting with each other, having dinner and study groups together. We were a family. When I finished with the program I was more prepared to go on."

Carlos is currently working as a group supervisor for the Santa Cruz County Probation Department and volunteering at Women's Crisis Support. He intends to pursue a master's degree in social work or clinical psychology.



# Radiologic Technology Students



*“Cabrillo’s program really prepares you. If I got hired today, I could do it. I’ve had so much practice that I know what to do.”*  
— CLAUDIA KNIGHT

On her first day of the Cabrillo College Radiologic Technology program, Claudia Knight, 60, and her entire class visited one of 11 local clinical sites that partner with the college to get a feel for what it means to be a professional in the workforce. Claudia, a mother and former office worker, saw the program as a way to improve her life and support herself after a difficult divorce. It was the beginning of a rigorous two-year program where first-hand experience in a hospital and clinic environment helps prepare them for the workforce. Claudia graduated in spring and immediately began applying for jobs.

*“I thought it was a great program. I’m a hands-on learner. They prepare you for a career and for the board exams. It wasn’t hard to get a job.”*  
— GEORGE SANCHEZ



George Sanchez, 38, was working in shipping when he decided to follow in his sister’s footsteps and study radiology. He experienced five different hospital and clinical settings and had a job when he graduated in 2000. He currently works at Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System as a clinical instructor.

*“It was really hard but I was expecting that. I loved the people and made a lot of good friendships. We helped each other out, and seeing what’s going on in the real world simultaneously with your education helps you figure out the dynamics of the workplace.”*  
— AMANDA WILLIAMS



Amanda Williams, 39, a former chef, graduated from the RT program in 2008 and immediately began working at Dominican Hospital where she had visited as a student as part of her clinical studies.

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The success of the 30-year-old program, which graduates about 20 students annually, is due in large part to a longstanding collaboration with area hospitals and clinics. “Dominican Hospital and Cabrillo College have partnered for many years to give students entering the medical field the best possible learning experience and preparation for a successful career,” said Nanette Mickiewicz, a physician and Dominican Hospital president. “We are proud to play a part in developing qualified graduates who often go on to work in local health care facilities.”

As Cabrillo College prepares for the integration of health programs at the new Health and Wellness Center, generous gifts from CHOMP, Dominican Hospital and Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System will mean the difference between RT students training on old, analog machines being phased out of the industry and getting hands-on experience

with the latest digital technology. “We feel strongly about the quality of the education that the students get at Cabrillo,” said Eric Lomonaco, director of Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology at CHOMP, which has a fully digital radiology department. “Many of our employees were students at Cabrillo. This is preparing them for what’s in the community.”

The new RT facility will include a classroom, Diagnostic Imaging Analysis Center, Diagnostic Imaging Nonenergized and Energized Labs and a Resource Center. Hospital donations are helping to offset the cost of new equipment.

“The future of healthcare depends upon the education we provide today’s students,” said Nathan J. Olivas, president of the Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System Board of Directors. “Our Board of Directors believes in the importance of supporting education and

we welcome top graduates as applicants for positions in our Healthcare System.”

The gifts – a \$125,000 donation from CHOMP, \$100,000 from Salinas Valley Memorial and \$50,000 from Dominican – help support the RT program and provide funds to bring RT lab equipment up to date.

“The support of local hospitals has been instrumental in keeping the RT program in step with the needs of the community,” said Brian King, Cabrillo College president. “It’s wonderful to have a strong collaboration with employers in preparing our students for important, well-paying jobs.”

For Niki Thompson, the program has meant a rewarding career. “You come out of the Cabrillo program ready to work,” Niki says. “I hired two people last year and you would never have known they were fresh out of school. We have a couple of Cabrillo interns here now that I’m just hoping I can hire.”

# New Baskin Scholarship Helps Women Attain UC Diplomas

**M**aria Del Rosario Fernandez Ortiz, who remembers being carried over the Rio Grande at the age of four, never thought she’d find herself in college, much less the recipient of a scholarship that pays her tuition to the University of California campus of her choice.

The first recipient of the new Peggy and Jack Baskin Foundation scholarship, Maria, 32, graduated in spring from Cabrillo College with an associate degree and received a \$20,000 scholarship for her junior and senior years at UC Santa Cruz. She plans to major in Community Studies with the goal of empowering people in the community.

For Maria, a single mother who has experienced poverty and domestic violence, Cabrillo College has inspired her to follow her dreams.

College, she says, will help her learn how to help others who feel disempowered to better represent themselves and speak out. “We wanted to be sure that really goal-oriented, academically motivated women with a sense of where they’re going have the whole four years,” says Peggy Downes Baskin. “We would hate to see women, because of a lack of funding, not be able to get a bachelor’s degree which will lead them on in some field or to an advanced degree.”

The Baskins, both former Cabrillo College instructors, have been generous donors to the community. Peggy has taught at Santa Clara University and UCSC and is the author of several books. Jack, a mechanical and aeronautical engineer, has developed affordable housing



Peggy and Jack Baskin and Maria Del Rosario Fernandez Ortiz

throughout California. Their longstanding support for Cabrillo has included the Baskin Childcare Center, Cabrillo Advancement Program, and Women’s Educational Success.

Maria says her goal is to reach her degree in honor of her mother who died last year. “She struggled to get us across the river and she didn’t realize her dreams. I have to reach as far as I can to fulfill my mother’s goals and those I set for myself and my family.”

# Three Generations of the Ow Family Give Record Number of American Dream Scholarships



**R**ecent high school graduate **Elda Meza, 18**, who plans to study international business and travel the world, was one of 68 new Cabrillo

College students to receive a \$500 American Dream Scholarship this year. It was a record number of scholarships for the 20-year-old program founded by the Ow family to support low-income and ethnic minority students.

“We believe in Cabrillo College,” George Ow, Jr. said to students. “It is our community’s college. We come here when we’re 18 and come back when we’re 40 and probably (will) when we’re 80 too.”

The Ow family has been a longtime supporter of the college. Since 1989, over \$253,000 in American Dream Scholarships have been awarded to 574 students.

“The Ows,” says Brian King, Cabrillo College president, “are leaders in building our community in so many different ways. The example George Ow and his family have set for the community is truly inspiring.”

The recipients are a diverse group of bright students. Elda, who didn’t speak English when



Ow Family with 2009 American Dream Scholarship Recipients

she arrived in the U.S. five years ago, has won poetry and essay prizes, studied French and plans to study Mandarin.

“I am really determined about what I want to do,” she says.



# President's Circle Members are Cabrillo Family

**T**he community stepped up to raise \$203,480 for the President's Circle and, in the meantime, enjoyed a year of unique, fun events. (see page 8)

"We knew that people were going to be stretched to contribute but it didn't seem to matter; they still came through," said Ed Banks, who is serving this year as chairman of the President's Circle Committee. "It underscores the importance that people attach to Cabrillo College."

This past year, President's Circle Chair Kurt Kniffin and 28 committee members garnered support from 151 donors. It's an amazing feat for a mid-size college, yet indicative of the incredible community support that is here in Santa Cruz County.

President's Circle funds enable the foundation to boost student scholarships and provide

student services and workforce education. President's Circle members are part of the Cabrillo "family" that plays an important role in the success of the foundation and the college.

In appreciation, President's Circle members are invited to special Cabrillo College events and enjoy exclusive benefits. Donors who give \$10,000 or more may serve as College

President for a Day with President Brian King and enjoy a weekend golf and spa retreat including dinner and a two-night stay at the exclusive Tehama Golf Club in Carmel (donated by Greg and Mickey Evans). They also enjoy all the other benefits offered to donors giving at other levels. Donors giving \$5,000 or more are invited to attend an intimate Wine-

maker's Dinner featuring specialties served up by Cabrillo Culinary students and enjoy other benefits. Donors of \$2,500 or more are invited to a reception and Cabrillo Stage's inaugural winter show, *Scrooge*, and receive other benefits. Donors of \$1,000 or more are invited to President Brian King's Holiday Party, the President's Circle Reception and Cabrillo Stage Musical, a Historical Tour led by popular historian and emeritus faculty Sandy Lydon, and several college perks such as a library card, a parking pass, and a pass to the Cabrillo College Horticulture Plant Sale. All donors are recognized on the Sesnon House President's Circle plaque and in the Cabrillo College Foundation Annual Report.

"We have a generous and caring community that wants to support Cabrillo students," Banks says, looking to the year ahead. "There is no place in our county's borders where the community doesn't recognize the importance of Cabrillo College. We know going forward that the same kind of support is still there."

**President's Circle Committee:**  
(first diagonal row front to back) Greg Evans, Ed Banks, Brian King, Theo Wierdsma, Fred McPherson. (second diagonal row) Mary Blanchard, Mickey Evans, Connie Brokaw, Lee Duffus. (third diagonal row) Robin Sirakides, Ceil Cirillo, Bud Rice, Hal Hyde, and Mike Allard. Not pictured: Blaine Brokaw, Jess Brown, Charles Canfield, Wally Dale, Rocky Franich, Steve John, Erik Johnson, Kurt Kniffin, Rowland Rebele, Gary Reece, Kirk Schmidt, Barry Siegel, Rachel Wedeen, and Jim Weisenstein.



Brian King and Ed Banks

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# President's Circle Special Events 2009

**Winemaker's Dinner** Major donors were welcomed into the beautiful Pino Alto room in the Sesnon House for an intimate

dinner with President Brian King. Donors enjoyed a gourmet meal created by Cabrillo College Culinary students, paired with an array of award winning wines handcrafted by Storrs

Winery. Each course was introduced by the student who created the dish and Steve Storrs described the wine pairing to guests.



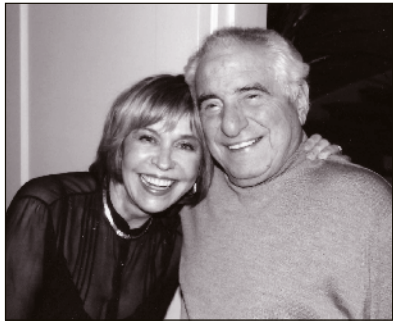
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## COMING EVENTS

**President's Holiday Party**  
December 4, 2009

**Cabrillo Advancement Program (CAP) Awards Ceremony**  
March 15, 2010

**Women's Educational Success (WES) Luncheon**  
September 24, 2010

**Faculty Grants for Student Success Reception**  
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### Exclusive Events for President's Circle Members

**Weekend golf & spa retreat at the exclusive Teháma Golf Club in Carmel**  
\$10,000+ Members  
Spring 2010

**Winemaker's Dinner created and served by Cabrillo Culinary students at the Sesnon House**  
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**President's Circle Reception and Cabrillo Stage winter show, *Scrooge***  
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**President's Circle Reception and Cabrillo Stage Musical**  
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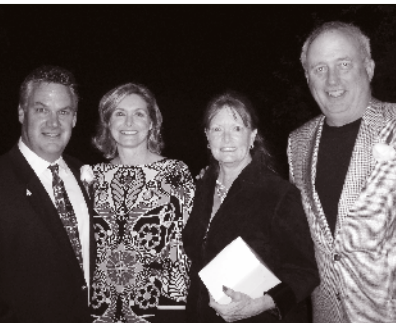
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**Cabrillo College Emeritus Faculty Sandy Lydon** took 100 President's Circle donors on a historical tour of Aptos. Sandy led the group to the Aptos Cemetery where he paid homage to longtime benefactor Dick Solari and introduced people to a little known rhododendron garden. Cabrillo College Emeritus Faculty Morton Marcus joined President's

Circle members at New Brighton State Beach and signed his book, *Striking Through the Masks*, for attendees, which was generously donated by long time friend George Ow, Jr. Cabrillo and the community are saddened by the passing of Mort in October 2009, one of the giants in Cabrillo College history.



**Mexican Fiesta** High-level President's Circle donors were treated to a Mexican Fiesta at the beautiful home of Kurt and Ronda Kniffin. Guests enjoyed delightful Mexican cuisine, margaritas, and distinctive wines from the cellar of Kurt and Ronda Kniffin. The evening included exquisite Spanish guitar from local talent, Ken Constable.







Pam Santacroce and Brigid Simpkins



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# Gala Event Celebrates Grand Opening of Crocker Theater

World class facilities are “a dream come true for Cabrillo College students”

Hundreds of Cabrillo College supporters and campus leaders gathered on a recent chilly October evening for the inauguration of the Richard and Theresa Crocker Theater, a landmark building in the new Visual & Performing Arts Complex that heralds a modern era of artistry, craft and performance. The black and white gala event celebrated the creativity and perseverance of a community dedicated to the arts as well as the generosity of alumni Richard and Theresa Crocker whose \$1 million donation provides support for students and the stunning new facilities.

“We both feel very connected to Cabrillo College,” said Richard Crocker, who attended the college in its early years when classes took place in modest modular facilities on the former Watsonville High School campus. He was a young father supporting his family and

trying to get an education – an effort only possible, he said, because of the proximity and ease of having a great college in his backyard. Crocker went on to earn a business degree from San Jose State University and launched several successful entrepreneurial ventures. “The fact that I could attend Cabrillo College gave me the opportunity to be who I am today.”

The Crockers’ donation has provided equipment for the new theater, support for the renovation of smart classrooms campus-wide, and established permanent endowments that will benefit numerous Cabrillo programs in perpetuity.

“Though the name on the building is *Crocker Theater*, really, it is everyone’s theater,” said Theresa Crocker who graduated from the well respected dental hygiene program at Cabrillo College. “I hope that all who



Brian King, Theresa and Richard Crocker



face the stage or face the audience will help carry on the torch of support for Cabrillo College.”

About 375 people attended the champagne reception catered by culinary students and the inaugural show, “Dedicated to the Creative Journey,” directed by Wilma Chandler Marcus and featuring more than 435 performers from numerous artistic disciplines.

“The Crockers have created a tremendous opportunity for future students,” said Brian King, college president. “Cabrillo thanks Dick and Theresa for the incredible impact they have made on Cabrillo College and our students.”

The Visual and Performing Arts Complex is indeed a community effort that has been supported with the generosity of numerous donors, including Lucy Mills, whose donation in memory of her sister is recognized as the Katherine Mitchell Printmaking Studio; Bill Putnam of Scotts Valley-based Universal Audio, whose donation is honored as the Universal Audio Recording Studio; and Arthur and Joan Cooley whose teacher is honored with the new Fred Squatrito Theory Classroom.

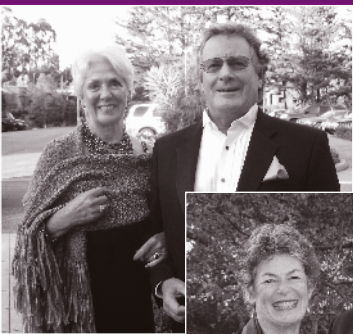
The elegant evening was followed with a weekend open house featuring arts, crafts and skills taught at the new facilities.

Diane Craddock, Cabrillo College Foundation board president said “As we stand before this beautiful theater, named in honor of Dick and Theresa Crocker, not only are we awed by how Cabrillo must have certainly touched them but we can be certain that with this tremendous generosity and foresight, Cabrillo College will continue on its path of providing our community with unsurpassed educational, career and cultural opportunities.”



Cabrillo Vice Presidents Dennis Bailey-Fougner, Pegi Ard, Renée Kilmer and President Brian King

“So many people helped make the VAPA Complex a reality,” said Dan Martinez, dean of Visual and Performing Arts.



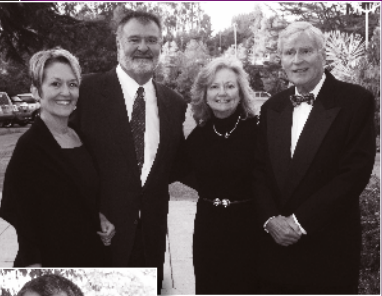
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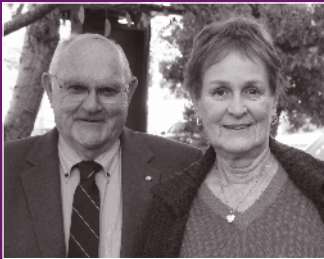
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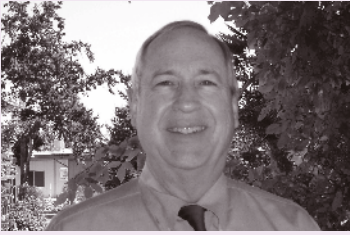
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**1962**  
Foundation was established with the leadership of founding Cabrillo President Bob Swenson.



**1986**  
Founding Cabrillo Board President Keith Shaffer and wife Elinor establish Faculty Grants for Student Success Endowment.



**1991**  
Cabrillo Advancement Program (CAP) established in 1991 supports 350 disadvantaged students. Bill Locke-Paddon (Borina Foundation) provided \$750,000 in 2007.



**1994**  
Foundation raises \$5 million for 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary campaign. Solari Computer Technology Center is named in honor of Richard and Mary Solari.



**1997**  
Women’s Educational Success (WES), founded by Peggy Downes Baskin and Rachael Spencer, provides emergency grants for women at Cabrillo.



**1997**  
Erica Schilling Forum was supported by a generous gift of \$1,000,000 from Erica Schilling.



**2007**  
Crocker Theater is named in honor of Richard and Theresa Crocker for their \$1,000,000 donation.



**2008**  
Barbara Samper donates \$1,026,266 and the new Samper Student Activities Center is named in her honor.



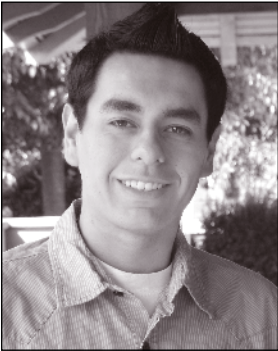
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**2009**  
The Foundation enters the next 50 years committed to supporting Cabrillo College for our community.



# CAP Support Has Changed Hundreds of Lives

**J**ose Pedraza, 19, can't say enough about Liz Dominguez, the counselor/coordinator of the Cabrillo Advancement Program who shepherds hundreds of young people each year through the myriad of challenges that can get in the way of their higher education. CAP is a scholarship and enrichment program designed to prevent the drop out of low-income students at the middle school and secondary level. The overall goal of the program is to increase the enrollment and success of low-income students at Cabrillo College.



Jose Pedraza

"She's like the CAP mom," Jose says. "She is definitely the type of person who helps you with your goals. She pushes you to do your best." Jose joined CAP in sixth grade and attended numerous functions that provide students with direction, support and inspiration to attend college. CAP students like Jose who graduate

and enroll at Cabrillo are promised \$2,000 in scholarships over their first and second years at Cabrillo. The scholarships helped support Jose so he could focus on becoming a radiologic technician. Like many CAP graduates, Jose tutors and mentors at his old middle school.

"I have no doubt that he is going to be another CAP success," Liz says. "The Barbara Samper CAP Second Year scholarship has been helpful because his courses require some very expensive books and supplies."

For CAP alum Maria Barranco, 30, who graduated from Cabrillo College and then from UC Santa Cruz with a degree in sociology, CAP helped her prepare for college. "It gave us training in regard to what classes to take and taught me to open my mind more," she says.

Maria, who works at Women's Crisis Support/Defensa de Mujeres as a peer



Ricardo Martinez and Maria Barranco

counselor advocate, married Ricardo Martinez in 2007, another CAP graduate.

"My goal was to attend college and CAP was a way to get to know people also interested in going to college," said Ricardo, 30, who graduated from Cabrillo College, then from San Jose State University with a degree in mechanical engineering. "It gave me the extra boost that I needed to achieve my goal to get to college."

This year, there are 343 students in the program from six middle schools and six high schools in Santa Cruz County. More than 30 CAP graduates have enrolled in Cabrillo College this fall, the highest number in the 19-year-old program. Four students have enrolled directly into four-year schools.



Fred and Linda McPherson

**T**he day Cabrillo College first opened its doors in the old Watsonville High School in 1959, Fred McPherson was there to start his collegiate career as a quarterback. The following year, his soon-to-be wife, then Linda Epperson, was among the first students to take classes on the new Aptos campus and serve as the college's first homecoming queen.

"We both had great experiences at Cabrillo," says Fred McPherson, who has since

# McPhersons Extend Their Legacy Beyond a Lifetime of Giving

served more than once as president of the Cabrillo College Foundation Board of Directors. They recall the temporary classrooms, wonderful teachers and the other students buzzing with the enthusiasm of being part of a newly founded college.

Since then, they have generously contributed their time, enthusiasm and financial support to the college. The couple decided to extend their legacy of giving by including the Cabrillo College Foundation in their wills to ensure that students in need get the support necessary to pursue their academic goals.

"A lot of students work in our community and they're much more productive because of Cabrillo," Fred says. "If they get the encouragement, they grab it and go."

"Everybody that I know has attended Cabrillo classes. It has so much to offer and it just keeps growing. They've really reached out to the community," says Linda.

Over the years, the college has had tremendous growth, strong leadership and graduated students who have made significant contributions to the community. Fred says, "All these things make you proud of your community and make you want to show your appreciation by giving back."



Linda (Epperson) McPherson  
First Cabrillo Homecoming Queen 1959

# Cabrillo College Foundation Heritage Club

**T**he Heritage Club honors those who have included a gift to Cabrillo College in their estate plans. Though Cabrillo does not have to be told of a bequest, it is useful for planning purposes to know that a gift is anticipated, and it is often helpful to discuss with donors in advance both the structuring of a gift and whether it will achieve the donor's goals.

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# Beck Endowment Boosts Faculty Education

**W**ith Cisco Networking Program classes behind him and hours in the Cisco lab, Cabrillo student Jonathan Simms, 28, landed an internship that soon became a full-time summer job at a local tech company.

Jonathan started at Cabrillo in 2007 and plans to transfer to California State University Monterey Bay to study computer science.



Jonathan Simms

Cisco Networking Academy students at Cabrillo College are exposed to the most current technology in the industry thanks in part to faculty grants such as the Engineering and Applied Science Endowment for faculty which was created by Mark and Barbara Beck. Barbara Beck, whose father, Ted Bowen, founded the Cabrillo College physics program

50 years ago, was one of the earliest employees of Cisco Systems and served many years as a vice president.

This year, \$3,600 was allocated for instructors Rick Graziani and Gerlinde Brady to attend a Cisco Networking conference. The conference was aimed at strengthening student skills to build and maintain current and future network infrastructures.

Established in 1997, Cabrillo is home to one of the first Cisco networking academies. Since then, hundreds of students have taken courses, joining more than 600,000 students

in more than 160 countries each year. As a regional academy, Cabrillo College instructors also train and support instructors elsewhere by creating curriculum, authoring, editing and translating materials, and by testing and developing new labs.

"I was never a big fan of school but coming back and having the teachers so interested in your progress really helps," Jonathan said. "They want their students to succeed. It changed my opinion of school."

The Beck's also established the Ted Bowen Memorial Endowed Scholarship and the Rich Hart Engineering Scholarship in 2000.

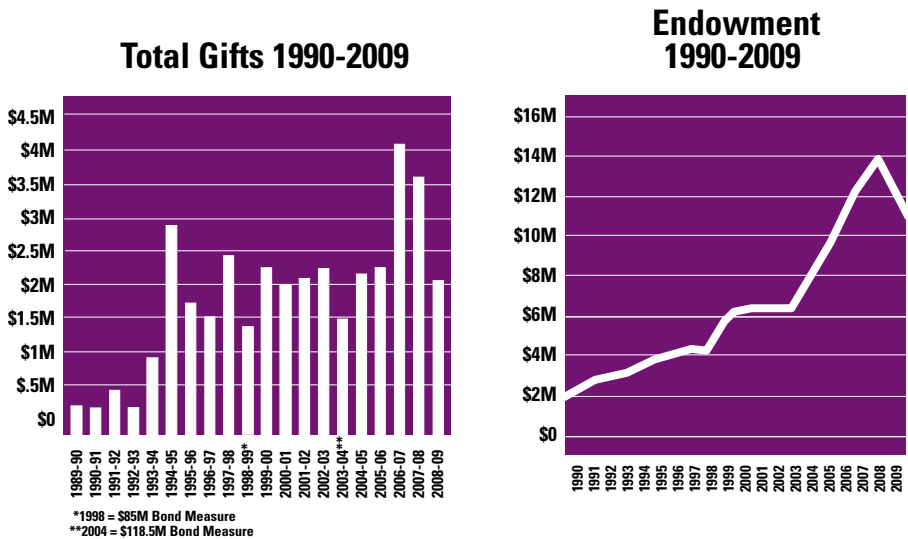
About \$30,000-\$40,000 is available each year for faculty grants thanks to Faculty Grants for Student Success, the Engineering and Applied Science Endowment, and the Les and Jeane Ley Family Fund.



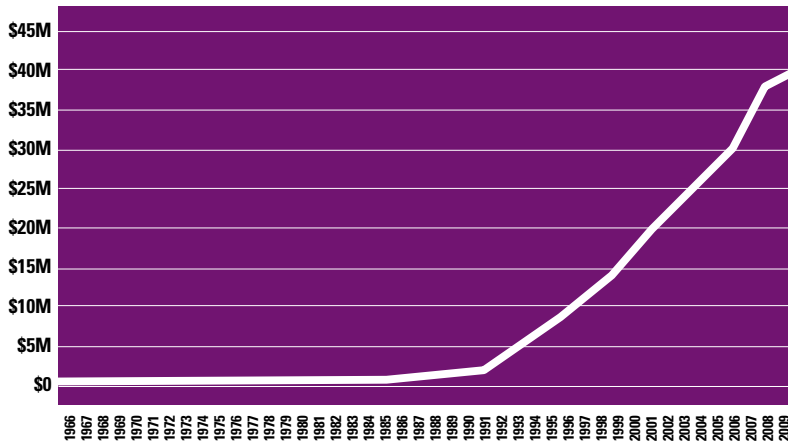
# Contributing to Cabrillo College

*“Despite the drop in the Cabrillo College Foundation endowment, we have still been able provide direct support in the amount of \$649,000 in scholarships for students and \$868,636 to support college programs and departments. The growth of the endowment over the years has made it possible to continue to provide permanent on-going support to students and departments during these tough economic times.”* — Michael Machado, Chief Financial Officer

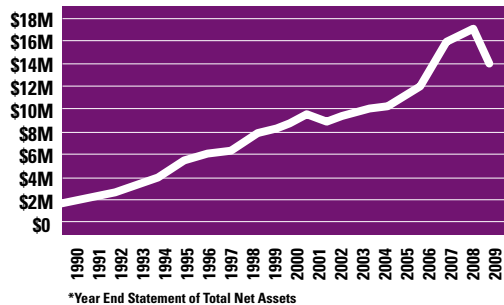
**T**his Annual Report features some of the ways Cabrillo College supporters have given to the college. The Cabrillo College Foundation welcomes outright gifts of cash, securities, and property. Gifts may also be pledged over time. We offer a variety of deferred giving options, including charitable remainder trusts, securities transfer, gift annuities, life insurance gifts, and bequest. The Cabrillo College Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization and all contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.



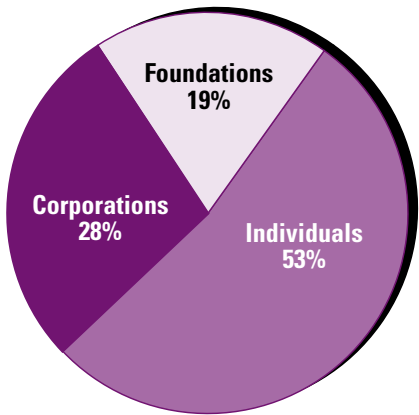
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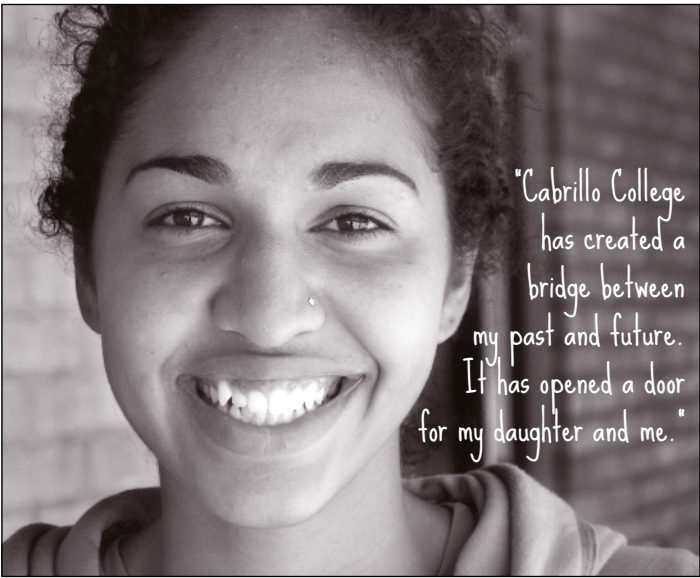


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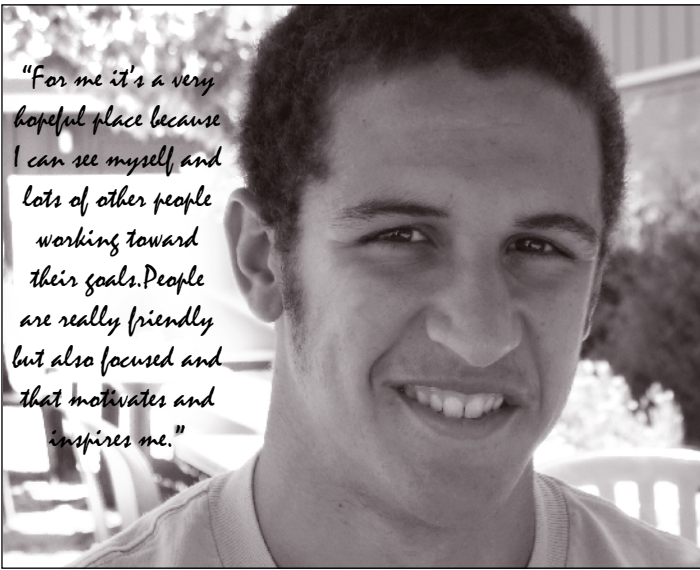
# Scholarships Recipients



*“Cabrillo College has created a bridge between my past and future. It has opened a door for my daughter and me.”*

**Asmara Gebre**  
Second Year Student/Pre-Nursing

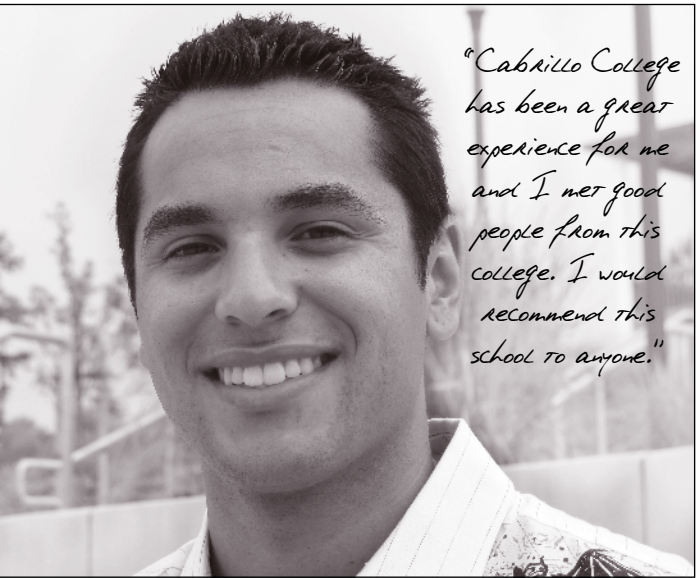
Asmara, 21, is a single mother who has zealously pursued an associates degree. She intends to transfer next year to a four-year college to study nursing. She received the Miriam C. Bradley Memorial Endowed Scholarship, Erica Schilling Single Mother’s Re-entry Endowed Scholarship and the Janow Family Endowed Scholarship.



*“For me it’s a very hopeful place because I can see myself and lots of other people working toward their goals. People are really friendly but also focused and that motivates and inspires me.”*

**Andrew Frye**  
First Year Student

Andrew, 17, is a recipient of the Ow Family’s American Dream Scholarship for local high school graduates enrolling at Cabrillo. Andrew hopes to be accepted into the Cabrillo College Honors Program and transfer to a four-year university to pursue a graduate degree. He is considering a career involving writing or psychology.



*“Cabrillo College has been a great experience for me and I met good people from this college. I would recommend this school to anyone.”*

**Jesse Cornejo**  
Fire Tech/Business Student

Jesse, 22, came to Cabrillo to pursue his dream of becoming a fire-fighter paramedic and earn a bachelor’s degree in business. He received the Jo Nell Biancalana Memorial Endowed Scholarship, Chuck Carter Perseverance Endowed Scholarship, and Roy L. Erickson Memorial Endowed Scholarship. He will be the first in his family to attend a four-year university.



*“It’s a very respected program. It gives me a lot of confidence to hear people at hospitals talk about the Cabrillo program.”*

**Roberta Lima**  
Nursing Student

Roberta, 36, started at Cabrillo in 2006 to study nursing. She entered the nursing program when her daughter was three months old. The scholarships she has received – the Betsy McCarty Nursing Endowed Scholarship and the Merritt S. Duncan Scholarship – have helped her focus on her studies and her family.



## Record Amount Awarded for WES Grants



*WES Best Friends: (first row) Lela Willet, Renée Kilmer, Claire Biancalana, Grace Laurencin (co-chair), Carrie Birkhofer (co-chair). (second row) Anina Van Alstine, Cynthia Rees, Diane Craddock, Linda Israel, Jennifer Hudspeth, Barbara Canfield, Edda Tusinac. (third row) Jane Godley, Laura Brown, Linda Downing, Julie Thiebaut, Anne Lynn, Angela Chesnut, Elizabeth Clifton, Jane Henry, Michele Bassi, Cristina King, Rachael Spencer. Not pictured: Peggy Downes Baskin, Marilyn Calciano, Charlotte Kim Meisel, Pat Rebele and Linda Wilshusen.*

*“We have proved that even during challenging times, our community comes together to give back to those who need it most.”*

—Carrie Birkhofer, WES co-chair

**R**osa Ortega, 53, a mother of six who has spent most of her career in low-paying office jobs, returned to Cabrillo College full-time in 2007 and discovered a passion for human services work. Earlier this year, a \$300 WES grant helped carry her through a difficult financial time so she could stay in school.

“It was heaven-sent,” she says. Rosa intends to earn her associate degree as well as a certificate in Human Services. “I’m even thinking about going to the university. My children say, ‘Go for it, Mom!’”

The WES endowment program was founded in 1997 by Peggy Downes Baskin and Rachael Spencer. The fund provides women



with emergency cash grants between \$100 and \$500 to pay for unexpected expenses such as a text book, class uniform, or a bus pass.

The WES Committee, lovingly known as Best Friends, has made the program the success that it is today. “These women are so dedicated to improving the lives of others in the community,” says Dr. M. Grace Laurencin, who serves as co-chair of the WES committee. “There is a real sense of purpose, of making sure we do the right thing for people who haven’t been as blessed.”



*Rachel Wedeen and Carolyn Hyatt*

A record \$28,800 will be allocated this year to students in need. Since its inception 720 grants have been awarded totaling \$122,000.

This year, Rachel Wedeen and Carolyn Hyatt generously provided a \$6,000 matching grant that matched WES gifts of \$250 or more.