

Meet a recent scholarship recipient and one of HCC's donors



"I chose HCC because it was close to home and offered the classes I needed at times that were convenient for my schedule. The college also offers tutoring and scholarships, which have been a great help to me in reaching my goals."

Merna Pettit is a human services major. After graduating from HCC, she plans to transfer to a four-year university to complete her bachelor's degree. Merna is a scholarship recipient and received the Pearl B. Bobbitt Memorial Scholarship and the Opportunity Fund Scholarship.



Above: Donor Merle S. Elliott with HCC student Ashlyn Rebok, recipient of The Merle S. Elliott Scholarship for HCC Female Athletes.

"Too often people with talent are overwhelmed with fears about student loans and other challenges that can get in the way of a college education. It's important that those of us who have the means take the time to establish scholarships for these students so that no one who has the ability and the desire to go to college is ever prevented from reaching their academic goals."

—Merle S. Elliott, HCC trustee, community leader, and philanthropist

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The Foundation at
Hagerstown Community College



Empower a Mind

Who We Are

ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The Hagerstown Community College Foundation began in 1968 with the purpose of securing voluntary support for the success and progress of the College and its students. The role of the Foundation in connecting with the community is vital in meeting needs that are not met through public funding. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, donations to the HCC Foundation are tax deductible to the extent allowable by law.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Hagerstown Community College (HCC), which began as Hagerstown Junior College, first opened its doors in 1946. The first graduating class consisted of 25 students and the school offered six programs. Today, HCC offers more than 100 programs of study and serves more than 14,000 credit and non-credit students each year. Classes are offered at HCC's main campus, located on Robinwood Drive in Hagerstown, as well as at HCC's satellite facility, the Valley Mall Center.



"My scholarship really helped to alleviate my financial burden because it allowed me to cut back my work hours so that I could dedicate more time to my classes. I'd like to thank all of the donors who contribute funds to the HCC Foundation—the students appreciate everything you have done to support our career paths."

– Grady Shingler, HCC mathematics and computer science student and scholarship recipient

What We Do



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN— "THE BEST IS YET TO BE"

The words of Robert Browning set the course for a \$1.6 million capital campaign to provide the funding necessary to equip a new Arts and Sciences Complex. This amazing addition to the Hagerstown Community College campus consists of a refurbished and expanded Kepler Theater, a renovated Classroom Building and Learning Center along with the addition of a new five-story Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Building. The addition of HCC's new STEM Building brings together, for the first time, all science and math related programs in one location.

This is an exciting campaign as it will allow students to receive a world-class higher education experience, right here, on the campus of HCC. So, join today in making a gift to support this new Arts and Sciences Complex. It will be through your generosity that a quality higher education will be available to the students of Hagerstown Community College, and for them, you have the satisfaction of knowing that "The Best is Yet to Be."



SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation seeks private funding for student scholarships where the funds are endowed. Only the interest income is used, leaving the original investment preserved, providing perpetual support for deserving students. The minimum level of contribution to establish an endowed named scholarship is \$25,000.

RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

We recognize, honor, and celebrate our donors through our donor wall, naming rights, event programs, website, and college catalog.

How You Can Help

Cash – Outright cash donations provide an opportunity to make an immediate impact on the College.

Pledges – Donations may be made in installment payments over a mutually agreed upon period of time.

Securities – Appreciated stocks, bonds, and mutual funds can yield additional tax savings by allowing you to deduct the current market value of the security and eliminate a capital gains tax.

Real Estate or Personal Property – These gifts, as approved, may provide immediate savings of both income tax and capital gains tax.

In-Kind – Donations of equipment, goods or services, as approved by the College. The value of your gift will depend upon a written appraisal, which you obtain.

Matching Gifts – Multiply your gift with a matching employer gift. Visit your company's human resource office to obtain a matching gift form.

Bequests and Life Insurance – You can designate the Hagerstown Community College Foundation as a beneficiary in your will, life insurance policy, IRA, or pension plan.

Estate Planning Gifts – There are other planned giving vehicles you can use, such as charitable trusts and annuities.



Keith L. Hess (HJC Class of 1952) and his wife Winnie L. Hess (First charitable gift annuitants establishing a named scholarship).