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Foundation Presents McKown-Funded "Winged Aspiration" to College

More than 50 individuals attended the October 13 unveiling of "Winged Aspiration," a dramatic outdoor sculpture in the circle driveway fronting Barton's Fine Arts Building and the Shafer Gallery.

Bill McKown was a true friend of the arts at Barton Community College. He died in March 2014, but his legacy lives on through numerous art-related improvements, including "Winged Aspiration", made on the Barton campus as a result of a generous bequest from his estate. Other campus projects provided by the Bill J. McKown Memorial Fund include the educational kiosk in the gallery on how to build a bronze horse, equipment for the ceramics department, and furnishings and computers for the art department.

"Winged Aspiration" is a large reproduction of a smaller wax mold created by Gus Shafer for a sculpture that was never cast. In the late 1970s, L. E. "Gus" Shafer produced a series of images in wood and wax as models for a monument to hope and the future. Different from his western art images, these elegant abstract forms pull the eye towards the sky and infinite possibilities.

Ellinwood sculptor Aaron McCaffery fabricated the 14-foot tall bronze rendition of Shafer's piece, weighing 900 pounds. Great Bend sculptor Chet Cale designed the base of limestone blocks. See a 360-degree view of the sculpture and a video of the short ceremony from the **Foundation on YouTube** link on our web page: bartonccfoundation.org



11th Annual Learning Celebration at Ellsworth Correctional Facility



Passion, spirit and hope described inmate learners at the 11th Annual Learning Celebration held Oct. 20 at Ellsworth Correctional Facility. Foundation Executive Director Nancy Wiebe presented scholarship certificates to 15 inmates. The scholarships were made possible by financial support from individuals and community group donors to the foundation.

One of the benefits of educating inmates most frequently underscored by Barton Community College, Ellsworth Correctional Facility and the Kansas Department of Corrections is reduced recidivism. Most inmates will eventually be released into society.

On November 5, Barton Community College announced a grant of more than \$1 million, paid out over three years, to develop its already robust inmate education programming at Ellsworth Correctional Facility and Larned Correctional and Mental Health Facility.

The Improved Reentry Education (IRE) grants were given to only nine communities in the United States.

This grant means Barton will be able to take its inmate education efforts to the next level, including the purchase of tablets and other devices to provide exposure to the latest technologies used in the workplace. It will also pay for four new positions to help Barton's staff streamline processes and add programming options. Scholarships are needed so that inmates may participate in these programs.



Student-in-mate Parrish Bourn has been incarcerated for more than 23 years and will release March 8, 2016. He began his education through Barton at Ellsworth Correctional Facility in 2012. He has taken 57 credit-hours and maintained a 3.87 GPA.



"I can't understate the importance of (these opportunities)," he said. "If it wasn't for this, the only job skills I would have are basic labor, sweeping and mopping floors. The jobs I'll be able to get with these classes are way better."

Parrish intends to find a welding job after his release. He received the foundation's Challenge ECF Scholarship in 2014.



Barton Community College Foundation and Workforce Training and Community Education joined forces again this year to provide a chocolate bar for each inmate at Ellsworth Correctional Facility. The college offers GED, academic and vocational training so inmates can find employment, become productive citizens and support themselves and their families upon release.

Barton and LCMHF Celebrate New Vocational Building Completion

Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility (LCMHF) and Barton Community College cut the ribbon on a new vocational education building on the prison grounds October 1. Barton provided the building kit while LCMHF provided labor and furnishings.

The new facility expands the educational programming already available at LCMHF to include the ability for inmates to attain national craft skills certification, training in manufacturing skills, carpentry training and more. These programs are intended to reduce the rate at which inmates return to prison after release.



LCMHF Warden Doug Waddington addresses a crowd during a ribbon cutting ceremony celebrating the completion of a new vocational education facility (shown) that expands the programs available to inmates. The building was made possible through a partnership between LCMHF and Barton Community College.

Many of the inmates who helped construct the facility attended the ribbon cutting.

Xavier Rodriguez, who helped with the construction from the very beginning, and is taking classes Barton already has in place at LCMHF said the efforts to provide educational programming will not be in vain.

"I plan on being able to say I did all this while in prison to help me get a job when I get out," he said. "I don't want to sit dormant. I don't want to be asked what I did and have to say I just sat around. I want to say I tried to better myself while I was here."

"This is what it's all about, helping one another," Barton President Dr. Carl Heilman said during the ribbon cutting ceremony. "We will work as cooperatively as we can with corrections to be here, at Ellsworth or other facilities because we believe strongly that every-

body should be given the opportunity to reach their pinnacle in life."

LCMHF Warden Doug Waddington echoed Dr. Heilman's comments, explaining that the new facility is the result of a long term vision and goal to have vocational training options available to inmates.

Kansas Secretary of Corrections Ray Roberts highlighted education as the key to helping inmates find success after release. He said statistics show having a job, a place to live and control over any addictions or criminal thinking are the three key ingredients to a successful re-introduction to society, and education is the foundation to accomplish all three.

"Barton Community College is very focused on helping people improve their lot in life, and I certainly appreciate that," Roberts said.



LCMHF Warden Doug Waddington (left), Secretary of Corrections Ray Roberts, Barton Board of Trustees Chair Mike Johnson and Barton President Dr. Carl Heilman cut a ribbon to signify the completion of a new vocational education facility on the grounds at LCMHF. The building materials were provided by Barton, while the labor and furnishings were supplied by LCMHF.

Foundation Scholarship Recipients

Audree Aguilera - Lyons, KS
 Erick Alcala Reyes - Great Bend
 Kayla Alexander - Russell
 Tawny Arndt - Great Bend
 Matthew Baca - Wichita
 Ian Ballinger - Healy
 Brigitte Barker - Great Bend
 Gabrielle Batt - Hoisington
 Eric Beckman - Lindsborg
 Erik Berger - Hoisington
 Lydia Berger - Ellinwood
 Mary Bitter - Olmitz
 Bradley Blue - St. John
 Brandy Bodine - Hoisington
 John Bondie - Wichita
 Jonathan Bowen - Keller, TX
 Erin Bowers - Great Bend
 Sabrina Boyd - Abilene
 Brianna Brown - Great Bend
 April Brown - Jefferson, GA
 Tagan Brown - Great Bend
 Amanda Burgardt - Great Bend
 Kendra Burke - St. John
 Byanca Bustillos Gonzalez
 - Great Bend
 Alyson Caley - Staffor
 Adriana Carreon-Pierce
 - Great Bend
 Casey Case - Great Bend
 Riley Chrisler - Natoma
 Zachary Clothier - Great Bend
 Mikayla Cody - Wakeeney
 Krystal Coleman - Great Bend
 Clinton Craig - Ellinwood
 Paige Crocker - Olathe
 Nichole Crowell - Russell
 Rex Cruse - Great Bend
 Adrienne Danner - Claflin
 Stephanie Davis - Great Bend
 Allissa Davis - Larned
 Grant Dawes - Great Bend
 Chelsea Day - Ellinwood
 Carley Deege - Kinsley
 Camelle Deege - Kinsley
 Coryell Deege - Albert
 Tasha Deiser - Salina
 Emily DeLaurentis - Great Bend
 Joshua Dennett - Hill City
 Courtney Dillon - Hoisington
 Kennedie Dixon - Great Bend
 Courtney Dobyns - Pawnee Rock
 Mary Duft - Larned
 Christa Elliott - Peabody
 Lindsey Ensley - Great Bend
 Garrett Ensley - Great Bend
 Alexis Finger - Hoisington
 Margaret Flint - Great Bend
 Kiley Flint - Great Bend
 Tasha Frazier - St. Louis, MO

Daniella Gabriele-Vasques
 - Great Bend
 Adam Garbin - Goodland
 Solin Garcia - Great Bend
 Nicholas Gerdes - Great Bend
 Allison Giles - Larned
 Kelsey Glynn - Great Bend
 Jessica Griffith - Fort Benning, GA
 Jacqueline Grubb - Hoisington
 Samuel Guyton - Great Bend
 Erik Hageman - Abilene

Lorena Martinez - Great Bend
 Luis Mata - Great Bend
 Paul Mater - Hoisington
 Alexis Mattheyer - Ellis
 William Maze - Ellsworth
 Chole McDaniel - Clay Center
 Melissa McVey - Great Bend
 Blayne Mesa - Manhattan
 Lucinda Milsap - Great Bend
 Kerri Mitchell - La Crosse
 Alondra Moreno - Great Bend

Bryce Richmeier - Great Bend
 Caleb Rivera - Salina
 Dreamer Roberson - Wilson
 Haley Robertson - Salina
 Citlali Rodriguez - Great Bend
 Haley Roenne - Ellinwood
 Secoyah Ross - Mayetta
 Katlyn Russell - Wichita
 Brooke Russell - Hays
 Jose Saenz - Lyons
 Cheyenne Salinas - Lyons
 Mary Sandberg - Ellinwood
 Ryan Schippers - Hays
 Kameko Schultz - Great Bend
 Tina Shaw - Great Bend
 Edward Shepherd - Great Bend
 Hannah Sites - Spearville
 Lauren Smith - Great Bend
 Presley Smith - Hoisington
 Randyll Smith - Oakley
 Luis Soares - belo horizonte, mg
 Montana Spires - Hoisington
 Zackery Steffan - Great Bend
 Karah Stewart - Great Bend
 Ashley Stott - Great Bend
 Blake Sullivan - Great Bend
 Orel Taib - Netanya, Is
 Katie Tammen - Timken
 Sierra Taylor - Wakefield
 Ashlie Thill - Great Bend, KS
 Thomas Thill - Great Bend
 Dorian Torkelson - Ellsworth
 Breanna Towers - St. John
 Giovana Valenzuela - St. John
 Colby Van Wagoner - Hoyt
 Barbara VanSteenburgh - Ellinwood
 Henry Vela - Liberal
 Diana Villanueva - Lyons
 Gavin Vink - Ellinwood
 Tyler Walker - Hoisington
 Jamie Waters - Great Bend
 Vanessa Watson - Claflin
 Haley Weber - St. John
 Jori White - Chase
 D'corian Williams - Plantation, FL
 Nathan Wilson - Kingman
 Blake Wilt - Great Bend
 Kenton Wondra - Olmitz
 Cody Woodruff - Ellinwood
 M'Kaylee Woolf - Macksville
 Michael Workman - Great Bend
 Jeffery Wortham - Ellinwood
 Treavor Wright - Ellinwood
 Sonya Wysong - Larned
 Ty Yager - Great Bend
 Susanne Yarmer - Russell
 Austin Young - Great Bend
 Colton Zink - Claflin

Silver Cougar Club Scholarship



Margaret Flint
 Great Bend

"I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the generous scholarship. With your help, I am now able to move one year closer to my educational goals. As I continue to work three jobs and attend school part time as a single parent, I plan...to keep a positive attitude to finish my elementary education degree."

Cassandra Hamby - Ellinwood
 Daquari Hardman - Great Bend
 Rebecca Harmison - Dighton
 Rochelle Hass - Great Bend
 Lauri Henderson - Great Bend
 Brooke Henning - Great Bend
 Kaden Herman - Macksville
 Rebecca Hochman - Lorraine
 Joshua Holuska - Great Bend
 Karra Hullett - Hoisington
 Cristina Ingram - Great Bend
 Patrick Jacobs - Rush Center
 Michelle Jennings - Great Bend
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 Emily Johnson - Great Bend
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 Loetha Jordan - Kansas City, MO
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 Andrea Klepper - Ellinwood
 Dykota Knorr - Great Bend
 Josh Komarek - Ellinwood
 Morgan Kurtz - Great Bend
 Rachel LeRoy - Ellinwood
 Lindsay Leuenberger - Great Bend
 Allison Livingston - Great Bend
 Shelly Linke - Chase
 Brandy Loomis - Great Bend
 Justin Love - Great Bend
 Juan Luna - Great Bend
 Deanna Lutschg - Lyons
 Victoria Manley - Lyons
 Randall Martin - Claflin

Molly Morgan - Deerfield
 Alex Morgan - Great Bend
 Wyatt Neeland - Pawnee Rock
 Brittany Newacheck - Hays
 Wade Niermeier - Hoxie
 Tyler Nuss - Great Bend
 Carol Ordonez - Great Bend
 Jordan Otten - Great Bend
 Kaitlin Otter - Great Bend
 Rebecca Parke - Ellinwood
 Morgan Patry - Great Bend
 Tracy Patterson - Great Ben
 Erin Pennington - Hays
 Kylie Perez - Larned
 Deana Peterson - Larned
 Robert Portice - Lansing
 BraShel Powell - Great Bend
 Anahi Prieto - Great Bend
 Devani Prieto - Great Bend
 Breahna Procopio - Great Bend
 Brett Purnell - Wichita
 Melissa Ramirez - Great Bend
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 Great Bend
 Rebecca Reed - Parsons
 Rylee Reed - Morganville
 Tyler Reeves - Hoisington
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 Larry Zinn Scholarship



Nancy Wiebe, foundation executive director, shows off bags of homemade snack mix she delivered in October to the volunteers who helped secure the fantastic auction items that made our "A Ghostly Gala" event so successful this

year! We couldn't have done it without you: Barry and Monica Bowers, Kathy Burt, Lana Dietz, Wally Eldridge, Mary Foley, Judy Fox, Pam Lichter, Charles and Janes McCormick, Trent and Chelsea Mermis, Craig Neeland, Debbie Niedens, Allene Owen, Chad Premer, Chris and Cari Ringwald, Traci Schneider, Krista Smith, Paul Snapp, Travis Thompson, Lori Werth and Jan Westfall.

Steve Lueth (left), Director of Instrumental Music, accepted a violin donation from Tom Bauer, Great Bend. The two dropped by the foundation office to complete paperwork for tax purposes. The violin is in excellent condition and fits



within current needs of the Barton instrumental music program, Lueth said, so the foundation was able to accept the gift for the college. Thanks Tom, for thinking of our music students!



Now available, Report 2015 from the Barton Community College elected trustees and the foundation highlights progress and community impact. Call the foundation if you would like a copy; it is also available

at bartonccc.edu/community/boardoftrustees. The college requests community feedback at feedback.bartonccc.edu.



Barton Community College Foundation received another unqualified opinion from Great Bend accounting firm Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball, CPA on its annual audit covering July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015. An auditor's opinion of "Unqualified" is a clear "Thumbs Up," meaning the audited statements conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and represent the organization's accounts fairly.



Students in Early Childhood Education participated in a November field trip to Rolling Hills Zoo thanks to a mini grant from the foundation. The students incorporated early childhood instruction and sensory activities for children as young as two years. Instructor Rhonda Wertz wanted to expose stu-

dents to non-traditional career paths. This fall a foundation committee awarded 13 mini grants for \$9,577 to full-time faculty for equipment, field trips and continuing education. Mini grants are supported by the annual sporting clay shoot and individual donors to the foundation.



November 16 a roomful of grateful Barton student ambassadors called a group of our donors to say "thank you" for supporting students through scholarships and program enhancements. The foundation's annual Thank a Thon offers students an opportunity to personally thank foundation benefactors.



Brad and Sarah Shirer shared the message of #GivingTuesday with listeners of KVGB 1590 AM on November 23. The foundation participated in the international and local promotion of giving, which fell on December 1. The Shirer's shared their reasons for supporting Barton Community College Foundation and its goal of \$10,000 in total #GivingTuesday gifts to the foundation or to its endowment at Golden Belt Community Foundation. \$10,000 is the minimum gift needed to establish a permanent fund for scholarships or other academic enhancements at the foundation.



About 400 students from area high schools attended the 12th Annual Jack Kilby Science Day Oct. 13 on the Barton campus. The day included information about the International Space Station Program from a NASA speaker; hands-on demonstrations in all areas of life, applied and vocational sciences; and a pizza lunch. Sponsors Farmers Bank & Trust in Great Bend, and the Great Bend Kiwanis Club made this event possible.



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