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Chairman's Corner

Once again I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Cherry Scholarship Fund over the past year for helping us set another fund-raising record in 2010. You made it possible for us to award \$24,000 to 8 deserving college students.

Our annual Golf Outing was a huge success, netting \$25,000 for scholarships. Thanks to co-chairs Bill Bridges, Jeff Doman, Joe Keitel, John Powell, Bob Reece and Bart Rocca, and to all the members of the Golf Committee.

Thanks as well to everyone who helped make our annual Book Dramatization such a marvelous evening. Barbara Rinella gave another scintillating performance, and co-chairs Timon Bernstein and Rita McKissic and all the members of the Benefit Committee did a wonderful job. We owe a debt of gratitude to Neal Moglin and Mark Tendam for hosting the event in their gorgeous home.

As she leaves the board, special thanks to Chala Holland for her service.

And above all, thanks to our extraordinary board members and to the Evanston community for their ongoing support.

Please save the date for two upcoming events—our Award Dinner on May 1, 2011, and our annual Golf Outing on June 25, 2011. I look forward to seeing you.

One final note: During these challenging economic times, the Cherry Scholarship Fund has expanded our outreach to part-time and graduate students. We need your help to continue our work of investing in the education of our youth. Several former Cherry Scholars are now teaching our future leaders, but without our scholarships, there is a good chance they would not have been able to fulfill their dreams. If you have not already done so, we hope you will consider donating to the Fund in the enclosed envelope.



Patty Cherry Reece

Scholars Near Their Goals

As the Cherry Scholarship Fund prepares for its next round of awards in 2011, we checked in with two recent scholars to find out how their college careers are progressing.

Janelle Bradley is in her third year at Spelman College, a historically black women's college in Atlanta, where she is majoring in psychology and minor-ing in child development. She is planning to go to graduate school after she completes her studies at Spelman. Her goal is to become a secondary school teacher. She sees herself coming back to the Midwest to teach, possibly to Evanston.



Janelle Bradley

Janelle graduated from ETHS in 2008. She recalled being inspired by teachers there. "Two of my favorites were Mr. Kaplan and Mr. Newman. I saw them every day, pouring their hearts into teaching, and all their students responded to that passion. I want to make that same impact, inspiring students to learn and think critically."

Her time at college has provided her with new insights. "I have had the wonderful opportunity of attending college out of state and adapting to a large metropolitan city. Spelman College has taught me a lot about the importance of history and traditions. I have also learned a lot about myself."

Janelle expressed her gratitude to the Cherry Fund for helping make that experience possible. "The Cherry Scholarship has continued to remind me of the importance and need of dedicated individuals in the field of education and especially in teaching."

Deon Thompson is the first three-time winner of a Cherry Scholarship. He received the first award in 2007, the year he graduated from ETHS. Subsequent awards came in 2008 and 2010.

He began his college career at Defiance College in Ohio, then transferred to Trine University in northern Indiana. He is now a senior studying social work and psychology. A sports fan and athlete, he is a leader on the Trine men's basketball team.

Deon enjoys working with children and he expects to continue doing so after college. "I want to be a positive influence in their lives—someone who pushes them towards the right path, which in turn will cause them to be more successful."



Deon Thompson

Deon has overcome personal challenges to become an exemplary student. "I know I would not be in this positive environment if it were not for a little guidance and behavior modification I got from other adults in the community along with my parents." He loves Evanston and would like to return as a counselor and youth advocate. "I'm passionate about working with the kids in the community where I was raised and nurtured."

He is thankful to the Cherry Fund for its support. "The Cherry Scholarship Fund has been very involved in my life since I received the first scholarship award. They truly care about the recipients. I would sincerely like to thank everyone for allowing me to be able to reach my goals and help change the world."

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Book Dramatization A Double Hit

Eighty people attended the Cherry Scholarship Fund's 12th annual Book Dramatization on October 13, making it one of the most successful to date. Perennial favorite Barbara Rinella turned in another remarkable performance by bringing to life not one but *two* books this year. She treated the audience to selections from *Open*, the autobiography of tennis star Andre Agassi, and *Stones into Schools*, Greg Mortenson's tale of education and outreach in Afghani-

stan.

We would like to thank everyone who attended and all those who helped to organize and run the event. Special thanks to the benefit committee: Co-chairs Timon Bernstein and Rita McKissic, along with Pam Akins-Schanette, Lun Ye Crim Barefield, Margo Brown, Gloria Callaci, Tiffany Chapman, Eileen Cohn, Mary Erickson, Lynn Hammell, Kathy Hardgrove, Pat Heaston,

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Bob Kurz.



Hosts Neal Moglin (left) and Mark Tendam with Barbara Rinella.



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Book Event

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Ann Johnson, Rose Johnson, Laurie Levy, Marcy Nicholson, Nicki Pearson, Carol Prieto, Patty Cherry Reece, Gerri Sizemore, Mimi Spivack, Sandy Vitantonio and Cheryl Wollin.

We are especially grateful to Neal Moglin and Mark Tendam for opening their exquisite home—an Evanston landmark—for the event. We couldn't have asked for a better setting for this special evening.

All funds raised by the event go to book awards for Cherry Scholarship finalists.

Dates to Remember

The Cherry Scholarship Fund is looking for scholars—students who may have struggled in high school, but who love kids and are dedicated to working with young people. Please help by encouraging deserving individuals from the Evanston community, and particularly those who will graduate from ETHS in 2011, to apply for a Cherry Scholarship.

Upcoming dates:

December 1, 2010 - Applications available

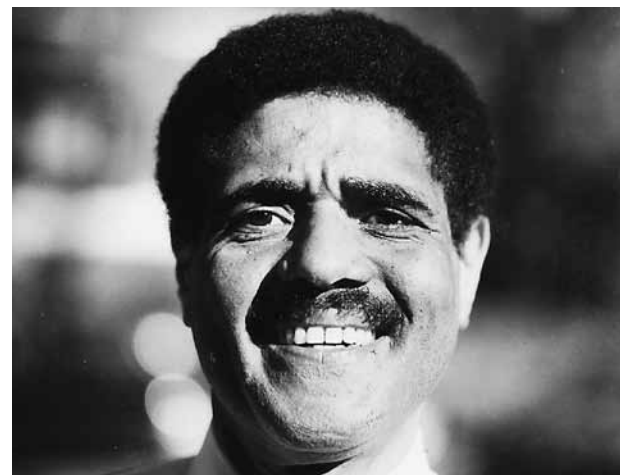
March 15, 2011 - Application deadline

April 17, 2011 - Selection interviews

May 1, 2011 - Awards Dinner

June 25, 2011 - Golf Outing

Please help us fulfill our mission by encouraging young people from the Evanston community to apply for a 2011 Cherry Scholarship.



The mission of the Warren W. "Billy" Cherry Scholarship Fund, named in memory of a much-loved and respected Evanston educator, is to perpetuate his total acceptance of all people, his commitment to the highest standards of educational excellence, and his energetic dedication to enriching the children and institutions of Evanston. For more information, visit www.cherryscholarship.com.

The Cherry Scholarship Fund is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.

From Tee to Green, Golf Outing a Success

It was another perfect day at the Highland Park Country Club on Saturday, June 26, 2010, when the Cherry Scholarship Fund staged its 17th annual Golf Outing. We raised \$25,000 for our scholars and finalists—and a good time was had by all.

Awards went to the following teams:

1st Place Gross: Erik Barefield, Paul Fellingner

2nd Place Gross: Larry Holm, Larry Holm Jr., Mark Mancuso, Ken Yonan

3rd Place Gross: Hass Adamji, Pat Hughes, Pat Hughes Jr., David Perach

Thanks as always to the hard-working, fun-loving Golf Committee:

Co-Chair: Bill Bridges

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Co-Chair: Joe Keitel

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You won't want to miss next year's golf outing, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 25, 2011.



1st Place Gross: Paul Fellingner and Erik Barefield.



2nd Place Gross: Larry Holm and Ken Yonan (front); Mark Mancuso and Larry Holm Jr. (back).



3rd Place Gross: Pat Hughes Jr. and Pat Hughes (front); Hass Adamji and David Perach (back).



Curtis Sallee and Dudley Brown.



Danny Speth and Jack Speth (front); Bill Speth and Tom Boggs (back).



Amy Powell and Hillary Darragh (front); Alex Darragh and Co-chair John Powell (back).



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Charles Tyson and Jim Fox (front); David Smith and Ron Martin (back).



Sheila Keitel and Sara Marberry (front); Judy Iacuzzi (back).



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Al Butkus and Dennis Newton (front); Co-chair Bob Reece and Dick Romano (back).

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Rita McKissic, Lun Ye Barefield and Mimi Spivack (front); Harvette Nelson, Lynn Hammell, Marcy Nicholson and Courtney Hammell.



Ann Johnson and Matt Pearson (front); Jim Hardgrove and Greg Pearson (back).



Rick Hogdon, Co-chair Jeff Doman and Marc Chalfen.