November 2020

Class of '67

Dear Classmates,

This has been a tough year with the Covid-19 virus. We miss being with family and friends, especially our grandchildren. It is a scary time for all of us... Now we are saddened by the passing of Pat Crymes Wright. We are remembering her singing, her sparkling personality and her cute winks.

I would like to recognize our 2020 scholarship recipient, Dalton Ashworth (Dalton is kin to our classmate Franklin Ashworth). Our scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded in HONOR of teacher, coach and administrator Barry Carnes. The class of '89 awarded three scholarships - Justin Hall (\$1,000), Victoria Simmens (\$500) and Savanna Fowler (\$500). The awards were given in memory of classmate Christy Cousins. I am pleased to report that the class of '88 also made an award. It was to Justin Hall (\$300).

The Foundation has now awarded over \$44,000 in scholarships! Think about that for a minute. What an impact! We have contributed for 18 years! Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. Our two primary goals are to gain more classes awarding scholarships and for our class to reach an endowment level of \$100,000. Our endowment account has increased from \$28,000 to \$32,241 as of September 30<sup>th</sup>. We're are building a great base for the future. Chris Bailey, a Wealth Manager at Benchmark Community Bank (and a member of the class of '88) has help set up our endowment fund. The earnings over the principle of \$28,000 will be used to fund our scholarship. In this manner our scholarship will carry on and expand long after we have all passed away. The plan is to continue to add to the principle over time which will allow us to increase the amount we award.

Treasurer's report from Gene Hart: We have \$6,338 in our checking and \$32,241 in our endowment fund. We plan to keep around \$5,000 in our checking account to have available to award our scholarship when the market is down. We will also be making further deposits to increase the principle of the endowment so that we can increase the award amount we provide. The class of '88 has a balance of \$2,493 and the class of '89 has a balance of \$4,084.

Our fall campaign drive is to raise \$2,000 by the end of the year. Thank you for your participation and support. Send checks to Gene Hart at 2570 Sandy Lane, Victoria, VA 23974. Make checks payable to C of L Alumni Scholarship Foundation. Put for the class '67 scholarship. Remember your donation is tax deductible.

Venassia Günter continues to spearhead the class of '89 efforts. We hope to get Chris Bailey to be the contact for the class of '88.

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