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NPCC MLT Students Receive Scholarships

Submitted by Martin Steinbeck

When Frank Nolte lost his beloved wife last March, he was determined to do something to honor her memory and the time she had spent as a Medical Technologist. On June 30th that dream became reality when he presented two students in the Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT) program at North Platte Community College with \$1,600 scholarships in his wife's name.

According to Nolte, the scholarships were designed to serve as a legacy to Pauline Nolte's reputation for compassion, quality health care, community service and the betterment of clinical pathology. He had previously given three similar scholarships to students at Oakwood Healthcare System in his home state of Michigan. Nolte says, "My wife was a medical technologist for 47 years at Oakwood and she died there at that same hospital. When I made my contacts with North Platte 11 years ago to ask about the Canteen, I was put in touch with Martin Steinbeck who runs the MLT program here, the very thing my wife spent a life time doing."

Nolte said the idea for presenting scholarships to students in NPCC's MLT program came about as a result of his friendship with Martin Steinbeck, MLT Program Director at the college. The two became friends when Steinbeck began working on the North Platte Canteen website 11 years ago.

As they visited, Nolte told Steinbeck he had been the recipient of the "Canteen hospitality" five times when his train stopped in North Platte while he served in the U.S. Army during World War II and he has never forgotten it. During one conversation, Steinbeck mentioned his career in Medical Technology.

"Out of all the things that Martin might have done, I couldn't believe he was an MLT instructor," Nolte said. "I asked him, 'You got any kids that need help?'"

The wheels were set in motion and it wasn't long until Nolte and the NPCC Foundation had worked together to create the Pauline R. Nolte Scholarship for MLT's. "This was the perfect opportunity to provide the scholarships and renew my acquaintance with the community," Nolte said. He was accompanied on his visit to North Platte by his son, Kevin, and daughter, Anna Szymaszek.



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Second-year MLT students Jayme Harper and Sarah Lockard were the recipients of the two NPCC scholarships that were presented. "I was very surprised when I heard about the scholarship," Harper said. "I had left school and then came back. I didn't think I could get another scholarship."

Steinbeck said that he could not think of a better way for Nolte to honor his late wife and encourage other students in the MLT program than by providing scholarships for those who need them. Dr. William "Bill" Hasemeyer, former Mid-Plains Community College Chancellor and current President of the NPCC Foundation, agreed.

"I want to thank you and your family for providing this wonderful opportunity for these MLT students," he said.

For more information, contact Steinbeck at (308) 535-3754 or visit the NPCC MLT Program website at www.medlabtek.net or the North Platte Canteen website at www.npcanteen.net.

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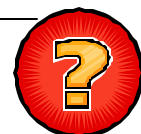


Thank you to all those who made the 2008 Spring Meeting a success!! We had wonderful participant attendance, great vendors and fantastic speakers! Planning for the 2009 Quad-state meeting is now in progress in collaboration with the ASCLS leaders in Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. It will be held at the Mid-America Center in Council Bluffs **April 29- May 1**.

The 2008 ASCLS Annual Meeting "The ASCLS Experience" was held July 29-August 2 at the Capital Hilton and the Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC. Although I was unable to attend (I gave birth to our baby girl June 24th), NSCLS had wonderful representation by our leaders. Past President Robbe Peetz, Secretary Joyce Colombe and Treasurer Linsey Donner attended. I hope there are NSCLS members out there who are able to attend as well. If so, please email us your experiences and photos for the NSCLS website and the next Filter!

We began electing our 2008-2009 NSCLS board at the Spring Meeting. Most of the positions have been filled. However, there are still a few vacancies. If you are interested in NSCLS leadership, please contact me! I would love to hear from you!! How are we doing?? What can we improve on?? Would you like to be more involved with NSCLS?? Contact me at tracey_vrba@hotmail.com.

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Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Karen Keller, MT(ASCP)SH

Money Market balance - 1, July 2007

\$14,904.38

Cash receipts

Money Market Interest Income	482.93
Legislative CD Interest Income	1075.73
2007 spring meeting profit	\$10,465.04
ASCLS membership	\$1,080.00
TOTAL Money Market cash receipts	\$13,103.70

Disbursements

Transfers to checking account	\$7,980.00
TOTAL Money Market disbursements	\$7,980.00

Money Market account balance 30 June 2008

\$20,028.08

Checking account balance - 1 July 2007

\$965.90

Cash Receipts

Transfers from Money Market	\$7,980.00
ASCLS membership	\$905.00
Student forum account repayment	\$110.04
Bank service charge reversal	\$60.00
TOTAL checking account cash receipts	\$9,055.04

Disbursements

ASCLS meeting - member #1	\$1,211.03
ASCLS meeting - member #2	\$1,116.18
ASCLS meeting - students	\$2,000.00
Awards	\$356.25
Bank service charge	\$60.00
Leadership Academy	\$500.00
Legislative Days	\$1,023.05
Membership/Public Relations	\$24.37
06-07 budget carryover	\$299.04
Region VI assessment	\$1,100.00
PACE	\$250.00
President	\$0.00
Scholarship	\$500.00
Spring meeting expenses	\$313.08

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Treasurer	\$92.00	
TOTAL checking account disbursements		\$8,845.00
Checking account balance 30 June 2008		\$1,175.94

NSCLS SUMMARY OF ASSETS:

Money Market balance 30 June 2008	\$20,028.08
Checking account balance 30 June 2008	\$1,175.94
Scholarship CD balance 30 June 2008	\$14,089.35
Legislative CD balance 30 June 2008	\$5,000.00
Savings CD balance 30 June 2008	\$10,932.52
NSCLS TOTAL ASSETS^ - 30 June 2008	\$51,225.89

^2008 Spring meeting profit has not yet been determined.

2008 NSCLS Scholarships Presented

The NSCLS scholarship committee was pleased to present two scholarships this year. Among the criteria that we consider are academics, letters of recommendation and an essay the applicants submit about a medical technologist they admire. Reading these essays is inspirational. There are many fine role models working in Clinical Laboratory Science today.

The two scholarship recipients this year are **Stephanie Weber** and **Cortnee Else**.

Congratulations to Stephanie & Cortnee and Best Wishes to all CLS students in Nebraska!



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