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Local Businesses and Organizations Support ICC Foundation Scholarships

Since 1968, the Independence Community College (ICC) Foundation has raised funds for scholarships to recognize superior leadership, academic achievement, and community service among ICC students and assist them with unmet financial needs. For many of our students, receiving a scholarship is the key ingredient in determining whether they will be able to attend college. Through partnerships with individuals, organizations, and businesses, and through careful investment of funds, the ICC Foundation is able to provide educational opportunities for many deserving students.

To meet the need for an educated workforce, more funds are continually needed to assist students with their education. "The ICC Foundation would like to recognize and thank the area organizations and businesses that contributed to the ICC Foundation Scholarship program," said Mark Woods, ICC Foundation President.

An Annual Scholarship is one in which the business or organization establishes a set amount to be awarded during the upcoming academic year. Annual scholarships are renewed each year and may be given as a memorial, a designated club's donation, or in any person's name. "Establishing the Best Beverage/Demo Family Annual Scholarship provided me with the opportunity to say "thank you" for all the volunteerism that ICC students provide to our community", stated Drew Demo, President of Best Beverage Sales.

Businesses, organizations, and individuals for their commitment to education with an annual scholarship bearing their group name are: Larry Bale/Nursing Scholarship, Best Beverage Sales/Demo Family, Dewlin-Dix Post 1186 VFW, First Federal Savings & Loan, First National Bank of Independence, Independence High School Class of 1959, Independence Rotary Club; Independence Thespian Society Organization, Mercy Physicians Group, Scovel, Emert, Heasty, Chubb, & Gettler Law Offices, and Yerkes & Michels CPA, LLC.

Businesses for their commitment to education through gifts include: Commercial Bank, Heckman & Associates, Indoor Storage Solutions, Coldwell Banker Pasternak-Johnson, Shanks Oil Company, Tidy Whitie's, and Woods Lumber Company.

The ICC Foundation, a non-profit organization whose purpose is to receive private gifts and donations on behalf of the college, will manage the scholarships for the college. Scholarship winners and the names of their donors will be released in the fall semester.