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**Cc:** [Mishaan, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Your Public Records Request  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 7:33:42 PM  
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Mr. Heck:

Attached are documents responsive to your Public Records Request regarding Marlboro College. As further follow up to my correspondence of July 20, they consist of documents provided to our Office by Marlboro College on July 15 (within the last 10 business days).

Please note, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. 317(c)(7), information reflecting the personal finances of a Marlboro College donor has been redacted from these documents. Otherwise, only individuals' home addresses, personal email addresses, personal telephone numbers, and other personal identifiers (other than names) have been redacted.

If you feel that any redaction has been made in error, you may appeal directly to Deputy Attorney General Joshua Diamond.

Regards,  
Jamie

Jamie Renner  
Assistant Attorney General  
Office of the Vermont Attorney General  
109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609  
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**From:** [Jeff McMahan](#)  
**To:** [Renner, Jamie](#)  
**Subject:** Bren Green Fund  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:13:52 PM

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Jamie -

On Brenn Green:

The College intends to dispose of the funds in a manner consistent with their purpose by applying them to severance payments for faculty not continuing with Emerson.

Specifically, half of the funds, approximately \$150K, will be distributed to faculty that do not wish to transition to Emerson.

The other half will be distributed to senior faculty that do not wish to transition to Emerson.

The overall cost of ensuring that faculty that will not continue in the Marlboro Institute at Emerson greatly exceeds the current balance of this fund.

Let me know if you have further questions.

Jeff.

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Jamie,

I'm forwarding the attached ZIP drive to you at the request of Jeff McMahan.

Sara



**Sara B. Huddleston**

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GEORGE I. ALDEN TRUST  
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June 26, 1991

Mr. Roderick M. Gander, President  
Marlboro College  
Marlboro, Vermont 05344

Dear President Gander:


With further reference to your letter of the 5th, I am pleased to report the Trustees have agreed to offer Marlboro College a \$2/1 challenge grant of \$50,000 to be added to the already existing George I. Alden Scholarship Endowment.

This challenge will be paid upon notification from you on or before June 30, 1993 that the college has raised \$100,000 for this purpose.

The matching funds would be expected to come from new givers or enlarged gifts from existing givers (thus from funds not previously committed prior to the grant). Neither bequests nor named scholarship funds, nor government grants would be accepted for matching purposes.

Please let us know if you accept our proposal.

Cordially yours,



Francis H. Dewey 3rd  
Chairman

FHD<sup>3</sup>/ma

MARLBORO COLLEGE  
MARLBORO, VERMONT 05344

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

July 9, 1991

Francis H. Dewey, III  
Chairman  
George I. Alden Trust  
Suite 1200  
370 Main Street  
Worcester, MA 01608

Dear Mr. Dewey,

We are delighted with the offer of a \$50,000 challenge grant to be added to the George I. Alden Scholarship Endowment at the College. The terms are entirely satisfactory, the \$50,000 to be matched two-to-one by either gifts from new donors or increased giving by existing contributors. We expect that the match will be a spur to the capital campaign which is scheduled to go public at some point during the course of 1992.

We will keep you closely informed of our progress toward the \$50,000 goal which we hope to meet well in advance of the June 30, 1993 deadline. Over the years, the George I. Alden Trust has been very generous toward Marlboro. We greatly appreciate not only that generosity, but the faith you have placed in the College as well. Peter Gil joins me in sending our thanks.

Sincerely,



Roderick M. Gander  
President

RMG:CF

bcc: Development

MARLBORO COLLEGE  
MARLBORO, VERMONT 05344

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 18,1987

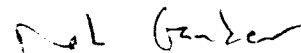
George I. Alden Trust  
Mr. Paris Fletcher, Chairman  
370 Main Street Suite 1250  
Worcester, MA 01608

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

We thank you and your colleagues at the George I. Alden Trust for your latest expression of support. The \$20,000 grant to augment the Alden Scholarships addresses what is in many ways our greatest need. I have one suggestion to offer. With the addition of this grant, one of the scholarships is endowed at \$50,000; the other at \$30,000. Would you have any objection if we established them both at \$40,000? That would permit us to award two \$2,000 scholarships and still put back a bit of the income to allow the funds to grow.

Your grant of course also qualifies you once again for our gift of a pint of good maple syrup. (The size of the grant should really qualify you for a hundred pints, but I am sure you understand that we can't afford that at today's prices). You should receive it in a day or two.

Sincerely,



Roderick M. Gander  
President

RMG:bjs

MARLBORO COLLEGE  
MARLBORO, VERMONT 05344

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 9, 1987

Mr. Paris Fletcher  
George I. Alden Trust  
370 Main Street, Suite 1250  
Worcester, Ma 01608

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

It was kind of you and your colleagues to see us on such short notice. We are racing hard to bring our capital campaign to a successful conclusion; the scheduling at times becomes downright hectic.

As you will see in the attached proposal, we have amended our request to what I hope are more realistic proportions. At some point in the future, I hope we will be able to award three Alden Scholarships. For now, we would dearly love to have two Alden Scholars funded at the same \$50,000 level. The amount of the awards would be substantial; our current rate of return on investment would allow us to grant \$2,500 to each of the recipients and still allow the funds to grow modestly.

The Alden scholarships have already had a substantial beneficial impact at the College, and we are proud of the subsequent achievements of our winners. One is finishing her PhD at Harvard; another was the first intern ever accepted at the famed U.K. facility on the island of Hawaii. Their successes give others at the College something to shoot for.

By now you may have had time to read the self-assessment I left off the other day. Though problems remain, I am confident that Marlboro has turned the corner. It has been a hard struggle. I want you to know how much it meant to the College and to me personally to have the Alden Trust stand by us and encourage us in darker days. I can assure you that we will continue to do our best to warrant your faith in us.

Sincerely,



Roderick M. Gander  
President

RMG:bjjs

PROPOSAL TO THE ALDEN TRUST FOR SCHOLARSHIP AID  
SUBMITTED BY MARLBORO COLLEGE

With two endowed scholarships already established at the College, the Alden Trust is a major benefactor in helping Marlboro cope with its most persistent problem - providing its needy students with financial aid. This is a problem faced by all colleges and universities, but the financial aid burden is particularly poignant at Marlboro. Lacking the endowment possessed by its competitors, Marlboro must provide direct aid to its students almost entirely out of its operating funds. In 1980, the College awarded \$274,000 in Marlboro Grants: this year, we have awarded \$556,000. Our projections see this trend continuing.

Faced with this growing burden, many colleges, including many which possess substantial endowment, have recast their aid policies to take into account the financial resources of their applicants. Marlboro remains philosophically committed to the principle that every student accepted should be able to attend the College, regardless of his or her economic background. The resulting diversity of the student body is, we believe, a major contributor to a healthy educational experience. Nevertheless, it is clear that the upward spiral of Marlboro grants has to be slowed. We are consequently asking our needy students and their families to stretch themselves to the fullest extent. The basic parental contribution we request has nearly doubled since 1980; students must earn \$1,200 toward their education; those eligible for Guaranteed Student Loans must borrow the full amount.

Other measures are under consideration. A growing number of colleges are making a portion of their grants to students in the form of loans. Marlboro may follow suit - reluctantly because students are already graduating owing \$13,000 under the Guaranteed Student Loan Program. Already Marlboro is establishing a loan fund for a specific type of student. Just recently, the Hearst Foundation awarded the College the first of two projected \$25,000 grants to create a \$50,000 Loan Fund. These monies are designed to provide aid to those needy students who find themselves ineligible to participate in Federal aid programs under the new regulations.

There is no single "cure" to the financial aid dilemma. We seek a balanced approach. Part of the solution can only come from the growth of endowment funds specifically earmarked for scholarships. At present, Marlboro awards nine endowed scholarships. The Alden Trust has provided two of them - a \$50,000 fund for a needy older student, a \$10,000 endowment for a promising student of the Natural Sciences. The larger fund provides a \$2,500 stipend; the scholarship in the Sciences provides \$500. We now request an additional \$40,000 from the foundation to fund the two scholarships on an equal basis.



Named scholarships provide benefits far beyond the stipends they afford. By recognizing and rewarding academic excellence they provide an incentive for other students. Our Alden Scholars have gone on to prestigious graduate schools for further study in their fields of concentration. Being designated an Alden Scholar has undoubtedly helped them achieve acceptance at these institutions. On a campus as dedicated to academics as Marlboro, the presence of named scholars is highly visible proof of our seriousness of intellectual purpose.

A \$40,000 Alden grant at this juncture would provide yet another benefit. Our Capital Campaign is moving onto its most important phase. The announcement of a generous grant at this time would be an impressive vote of confidence as we approach other foundations and corporations and ask them to join in the effort to secure the financial future of Marlboro College.

MARLBORO COLLEGE  
MARLBORO, VERMONT 05344

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 7, 1982

Mr. Paris Fletcher, Chairman  
George I. Alden Trust  
370 Main Street, Suite 1250  
Worcester, MA 01608

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

In my recent meeting with Dr. Hazzard, he suggested that I draft a proposal for the Trustees of the George I. Alden Trust to consider. This, then, is a request for \$100,000 to endow four \$2,500 Alden Scholarships to be awarded to needy students who have shown interest and excellence in the study of the Natural Sciences.

Marlboro's need for scholarship funds is critical. In just six years, the College share of the student financial aid burden has tripled (see six-year financial aid record, enclosed). In the academic year beginning next September, Marlboro will spend \$300,000 of its own funds for this purpose, more than thirteen percent of our entire budget. At present, our endowment for scholarships stands at less than \$100,000.

Nearly half our student body receives financial aid. Marlboro has always maintained an "aid-blind" admissions policy accepting all able students who meet our academic standards regardless of financial need. That principle, so central to our convictions about education, is now threatened.

To preserve this vital policy, we seek to raise at least \$2 million in endowment funds over the next thirty months. We turn first to old friends who have helped us so effectively in the past.

In 1969, the Alden Trust helped make possible the construction of our Science Building. Since that time, the Natural Sciences have increasingly proved to be a beacon for large numbers of our most talented students. Last year, for the first time, more seniors graduated in the Natural Sciences than in any other area of the curriculum. The same will hold true this year when nearly a third will do so.

The new Science facility also attracted an excellent faculty. Time and again young men and women they have trained have gone on to graduate school and done well. Four recent graduates are currently attending medical school, another will complete his Master's in Electrical Engineering this year, a last year's Honors graduate is a teaching assistant on full scholarship in chemistry at Chapel Hill, a classmate has begun a Ph.D. program in biology at the University of Pennsylvania. These are just a few recent examples; the list is long and impressive. This record of achievement makes our Science program arguably the strongest at the College.


It is also an area in which the need for financial aid funds is paramount. Over half the seniors who will graduate in the Natural Sciences this year have been receiving substantial Marlboro grants.

When I met with you and Dr. Hazzard last fall, I mentioned that we would not seek foundation support until we could demonstrate that the Marlboro community was determined and able to put its financial house in order. Since then, the gains have been impressive. As of March 31, with three months still to go in this fiscal year, we have already raised in gifts and pledges \$540,000. This compares with \$404,000 raised in the entire year preceding. Alumni giving is up sharply, and we will reach our goal of fifty percent participation. This is a particularly strong show of loyalty when we consider that the average age of a Marlboro graduate is under thirty and that many are paying off loans they took to finance their education.

Through our own efforts, we have assured an operating surplus for the year which will enable us to continue paying off our long-term debt and to reduce our short-term debt by perhaps ten percent. In light of this success, the First Vermont Bank had no qualms about renewing the College's \$400,000 line of credit.

Your help in the past has been vital to the strengthening of our program. It is our earnest hope that the Alden Trust will once again take the lead in spearheading this next phase in Marlboro's continuing development.

Sincerely,

  
Roderick M. Gander  
President

RMG/n

encl: Six-year Financial Aid Record  
FY81 Audited Financial Statement

SIX YEAR FINANCIAL AID RECORD

MARLBORO COLLEGE

<u>Academic Year</u>	<u>Headcount of Aid Recipients</u>	<u>Marlboro College Funds Spent</u>	<u>College Awarded Federal Funds Spent (CWSP, NDSL, SEOG)</u>	<u>Total Financial Aid Spent</u>
1977-78	74	\$103,400	\$ 86,390	\$189,790
1978-79	95	130,100	88,360	218,460
1979-80	118	145,600	110,070	255,670
1980-81	103	155,500	91,850	247,350
1981-82	113	234,500 est.	96,200	330,700 est.
1982-83	110 est.	300,000 est.	80,000 est.	380,000 est.

**Lisa Christensen**

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**From:** Ann Helwege [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 22, 2008 6:36 PM  
**To:** Lisa Christensen  
**Subject:** Re: Butler Fund

Hello Lisa,

I'm pleased that the Arthur D Butler funds have arrived and will become an endowment fund, consistent with the college's spending policy. Thank you for outlining this policy (see below). I am in accord with it.

Ann Helwege

*Lisa Christensen* <[lmchrist@marlboro.edu](mailto:lmchrist@marlboro.edu)> wrote:  
Hi Ann,

We received the \$20,000 from Tides for the Butler Fund today, thank you so much for increasing the grant. It will be wonderful to kick off the grants available with \$1,000.

I just need to confirm in writing for our auditors - email is fine - that it was your intention to create the Arthur D Butler Fund as an endowment fund, with the income to be spent according to the college's spending policy:

As with all endowed gifts to Marlboro, these funds will be permanently restricted and invested as part of the college's endowment fund. The income will be spent in accordance with the trustee investment policy, which has been set at 5.0% beginning January 1, 2008. In years where there may be significant losses due to the market performance of investments there may not be enough gain to produce income sufficient to make awards from all funds. Any balance after the spending policy is applied is moved to the overall investment portfolio.

If this is in accordance with your wishes, please respond to this email in the affirmative.

Best, Lisa

Lisa Christensen  
Chief Advancement Officer  
Marlboro College  
PO Box A, Marlboro, VT 05344  
office 802-258-9259 / cell 802-384-3172 / fax 802-251-7687

## The Arthur D Butler Fund

This fund was established in 2008 in honor of Arthur D Butler, professor of economics, provost of SUNY/Buffalo, and president of Housing Opportunities Made Equal. Butler grants will provide support to juniors and seniors whose Plan of Concentration includes the study of poverty and social policy in the U.S. or abroad. Grant funds are to be used for research and expenses related to the recipient's Plan, such as books, supplies, travel costs and similar expenses.

Arthur Butler was born in Detroit in 1923, and attended Manchester College, a Brethren college in Indiana. He was a conscientious objector during World War II, submitting to human experiments to serve his country while maintaining his deep belief in peaceful strategies to end conflict. He received his Masters' degree in Economics from the University of Minnesota in 1946 and his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Wisconsin in 1950.

Arthur served on the faculty of the State University of New York at Buffalo for forty years (1949-1989). A popular teacher, he was also Chair of the Department of Economics, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Provost of the University. During his career, he published in the field of Labor Economics and conducted research in Europe, Africa and Asia.

Arthur and his wife, Kathleen, raised three daughters in a lively home that was always open- literally and figuratively - to young people and new ideas. In addition to their passionate concern about social justice in the US, both took a keen interest in global poverty and environmental sustainability. Their generosity of spirit inspired careers in research, public advocacy and social service among the nonconformist teens and university students who found a warm welcome at the Butler table.

In addition to his academic career, Arthur was active in local politics and antiwar efforts. He volunteered for forty years and served as the president of H.O.M.E., an organization that supports families whose rights to fair access to housing are denied. A colleague at H.O.M.E. reflected on "how much Art has taught me—about being open to new approaches, about the value of determined measured advocacy, and about how impassioned commitment to a cause can be sustained over decades."

Applications should be directed to the Office of the Dean of Faculty.



TIDES

April 11, 2008

Ms. Ellen McCulloch-Lovell  
President  
Corporation of Marlboro College  
P.O. Box A  
2582 South Road  
Marlboro, VT 05344

RE: TFR08-01004

Dear Ms. McCulloch-Lovell:

I am happy to inform you that Tides Foundation, on the recommendation of Ms. Ann Helwege, has decided to give your organization a \$20,000.00 grant. This grant is for your organization's Arthur D. Butler Fund. We are enclosing a \$20,000.00 check as complete payment. By accepting payment, you agree to all the terms and conditions set forth in this letter. On behalf of the Tides community, I would like to thank you for your important work in this field.

The conditions of this grant are as follows:

Any portion of this grant not used for the stated purpose must be repaid to Tides by your organization. Any change of purpose must be requested and approved in advance, in writing.

Your organization agrees not to use any portion of the granted funds to: carry on propaganda or to attempt to influence specific legislation either by direct or grassroots lobbying.

Your organization agrees to notify Tides immediately, in writing, of any change in its tax-exempt status (including becoming or ceasing to be a supporting organization described in Section 509(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or becoming a different type of supporting organization), its executive staff or key staff responsible for achieving the grant purposes, or any other change in its program that would affect its ability to achieve the grant purposes.

Your organization agrees that it shall not use any portion of this grant to make grants to individuals on a non-objective basis; support any non-charitable or non-educational purpose. This grant does not represent the payment of a pledge or other financial obligation. No goods or services should be provided in return for this grant. It shall not use funds to participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office; or fund any specific voter registration drive that is conducted in a manner that favors a particular candidate or slate of candidates.

All expenditures made for the purposes of the grant shall appear in your organization's financial records, and such records will be made available to Tides Foundation at reasonable times upon request.

No programmatic reporting is required for this grant.

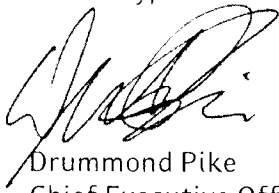
If the Donor or Fund Advisor is known to you, your organization agrees that it shall not use any portion of this grant to make any grant or loan, pay compensation, reimburse expenses, or make any other similar payment to: (i) any Donor to this Fund, (ii) any Fund Advisor to this Fund, (iii) any Relative of a Donor or Fund Advisor to this Fund, or (iv) any Controlled Entity. If you have any questions about these terms please refer to the Resources Section on Tides Foundation website.

If you have occasion to announce or acknowledge this grant publicly, please indicate that support was provided by Tides Foundation, advised by Ms. Ann Helwege.

Our Grants Manager, Mary Clare Hubert, is available to answer any questions you may have regarding this transaction, and can be reached at 415-561-6351. Please include your grant number on all correspondence. In the interest of conservation, we request that you do not add Tides to your general mailing list.

Tides Foundation has supported organizations working for positive social change since 1976. We are proud to include your organization in that history.

Sincerely,



Drummond Pike  
Chief Executive Officer

Hi Ellen!

How nice it is for me to be in contact with you again, but now for Tides. Hope all is well there. Hope here is GREAT!

Let's be in touch. Come + visit!!!

Brian





## MARLBORO COLLEGE

March, 1997

To Family, Friends and Colleagues of Lil Farber:

In August, Marlboro College's Chairman of the Board Lil Farber will preside over her final board of trustees meeting. After 14 years as a trustee, Lil has decided to give up the leadership of the board, and assume, in her words, a position more in keeping with her age and energy.

Because there is no talking her out of stepping down, a small circle of Lil's friends, family, and board colleagues wish to take the occasion of her retirement from the chairmanship to honor her in a way we know will be extremely gratifying - the creation of an endowed scholarship in her name. We hope you will join us in funding the \$50,000 scholarship - one third of which has already been pledged.

*Please keep in mind: The Lillian Farber Scholarship is to be kept secret from Lil until May 18, at the 48th commencement ceremony of Marlboro College. As Chairman of the Board, Lil will be on the stage, giving the Welcome and helping to pass out diplomas. At the appropriate time President Paul LeBlanc - probably with the enthusiastic help of others - will toast Lil, and read the scholarship's text for the first time:*

### *The Lillian Farber Scholarship*

*Established in 1997 by her family, friends and fellow trustees in honor of her ardent commitment to Marlboro College and in recognition of her many years of board leadership, and as chairman of the board from 1994 - 1997, the Lillian Farber Scholarship is awarded at commencement each year to the junior or senior who best demonstrates a passion for social justice in his or her academic work.*

It is not possible here to do justice to Lil, either for the remarkable person she is, which you well know, or for all she has done for Marlboro College. Lil has served as chairman of the development committee, chairman of the 50th Anniversary Campaign, chairman of the presidential search committee, as well as chairman of the board. She has given generously of her own resources, and sought that generosity from others. She possessed the courage to accept leadership responsibilities when success was far from assured, when the College itself was threatened. Lil persuaded, cajoled, listened, plotted, sympathized, entertained, charmed, encouraged — she led through her own commitment to the College and her belief that this small, rural institution must continue to transform lives and to set a standard in higher education. Lil's most meaningful and lasting gift to Marlboro has been the gift of herself.

Join us in honoring Lil by supporting the creation of the Lillian Farber Scholarship, and, if possible, by attending commencement on May 18. Please use the enclosed return envelope and make checks payable to Marlboro College Lil Farber Fund.

Thank you,

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT

MARLBORO, VERMONT 05344

802-257-4333

FAX: 802-257-4154

E-MAIL: [devel@marlboro.edu](mailto:devel@marlboro.edu)

**Gifts/Pledges received to Lillian Farber Scholarship Fund as of 4/15/97**

**Total raised cash and pledges: \$115,326.26**

**(71 donors)**

**Total deferred gifts: 25,000**

**(1 donor)**

Bill Adler and Peggy Robin  
Sarah Andrews  
Jerome I. Aron and Elizabeth J. McCormack  
David Barron and Susan Barron  
Maria Basescu  
George Becker and Marianne Becker  
Jess and Charlotte Belser  
Joel Bernstein and Toby Bernstein  
Bill and Mary Blair  
Margaret Boeth  
Will and Carol Brooke-deBock  
Barbara Brooks  
George Brown and Jeanne L. Brown  
Steve Carlin and Peggy Carlin  
John L. Carmody and Judith A. Carmody  
Carl and Lisa Christensen  
Janet F. Cramer and Alfred A. Cramer  
Robert L. Crowell and Muriel B. Crowell  
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Peggy Farber  
Sue Friedelson and Lori Schreiner  
John Kenneth Galbraith and Catherine Galbraith  
Roderick M. Gander and Isabelle Gander  
Charles S. Gervais and Felicia Farber Gervais  
Helen Gilbert  
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Graham Gordon and Linda Gordon  
Helen C. Harris  
Robert Hawthorne and Judith Hawthorne  
Gail Manyan Henry  
Herbert Hillman and Libby L. Hillman  
Andrew Hilton and Irma Hilton  
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Richard M. Judd and Suvia W. Judd  
Ernest Kinoy and Barbara P. Kinoy  
Edward C. Kornbluh and Terry Kornbluh  
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John Marqusee and Janet Marqusee

Tom and Lucille Beachy Mathews  
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Rueven Snyderman and Cathy Snyderman  
Daniel Socolow and Susan Socolow  
Marc Stewart  
Nathan Straus and Rebecca S. Straus  
James Trichon and Stephanie Trichon  
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Edward E. Wendell and Mary M. Wendell  
Will Wootton and Lulu S. Wootton  
Toby Young  
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"Paul LeBlanc" <pleblanc@marlboro.edu> on 01/19/2001 03:53:33 PM

Please respond to <pleblanc@marlboro.edu>

To: "June Smith" <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>

cc:

Subject: Humanities Scholarship

Dear June and Tom,

Thank you for meeting for lunch on Wednesday. As promised, I am writing to follow up on our discussion of a proposed scholarship fund. Here's the idea:

- A. That we create a named scholarship fund in honor of Ken Galbraith.
- B. Galbraith scholarships and stipends would be awarded to meritorious students with financial need working in literature (or letters, more broadly conceived), economics, or social policy.
- C. That funds raised for this purpose would be part of our restricted endowment, with an annual draw of 6% applied to scholarships and support in any given year.

It would be great to announce the creation of the Galbraith Scholarship Fund with three initial donors: Tom, June, and Houghton Mifflin (if you think they'd be interested June -- I mentioned it to Gary).

Tom, I would write to Ken once we have initial commitment to do this. I'd suggest that in the longer term, you think of \$100k from your CRT eventually going into this fund. If we can get the pieces in place, it would be nice to have the principals who have created the fund (you two, maybe Nadar?,...) travel to Cambridge, have lunch with Ken, and celebrate the creation of the new scholarship.

Does this make sense?

Paul

MARLBORO  
COLLEGE

July 13, 2001

Ms. June Smith  
Houghton Mifflin Company  
222 Berkeley Street  
Boston, MA 02116

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Dear June,

Thank you for your recent gift and pledge payments in support of the John K. Galbraith Student Scholarship at Marlboro College. Special gifts to Marlboro are essential in supporting the learning community here, and allow us to provide opportunities for our students that might not otherwise exist.

I have enclosed both a Giving Statement and a Pledge Report in regards to your gifts to this fund, for your records.

We greatly appreciate your generosity and support of Marlboro College.

Sincerely,

Dianna Noyes '80  
Development Office Manager

This acknowledges your pledge payment of \$85.00 and gift of \$34.80 (2 sh. Houghton Mifflin stock with mean value of \$59.90 on gift date of 7/10/01) received on 07/13/01 and a pledge payment of \$29,915.00 (500 sh. Houghton Mifflin stock with mean value of \$59.88 on 6/25 gift date) to the John K. Galbraith Student Scholarship at Marlboro College. No gifts or services are associated with this gift. All gifts are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Marlboro's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.

**Record of Gifts to Marlboro College**

Information: Contact Lisa Christensen  
Development Office (802) 258-9259

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**Date:** 07/13/01  
**ID #:** 210010

Date	Description	Type	Pledge Amount	Gift Amount	Tax Deductible
06/30/2001	6440 - J. K. Galbraith Scholar	Pledge pay		\$29,915.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
07/13/2001	6440 - J. K. Galbraith Scholar	Gift		\$34.80	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
07/13/2001	6440 - J. K. Galbraith Scholar	Pledge pay		\$85.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			<b>Total Giving:</b>	<b>\$30,034.80</b>	
			<b>Total Tax Deductible Giving:</b>	<b>\$30,034.80</b>	

No goods or services are associated with gifts(s).

**Marlboro College Pledge Report**

Ms. June Smith  
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**Date:** 07/13/01  
**ID #:** 210010

<b>Pledge Date</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Pledge Amount</b>	<b>Paid</b>	<b>Balance</b>
03/16/01	John Kenneth Galbraith Student Scholarship	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00

<b>Payments - Thank You!</b>	
06/30/01	\$29,915.00
07/13/01	\$85.00

**From:** [Robert Webber](#)  
**To:** [Jeff McMahan](#); [Sara Huddleston](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Galbraith Award  
**Date:** Monday, July 13, 2020 1:09:44 PM

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Jeff,

Bart was the only donor to one of the Galbraith funds raised by Jamie. He has released all restrictions.

Thanks,

Rob

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** **J B Goodwin** <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** Mon, Jul 13, 2020 at 11:51 AM  
**Subject:** Galbraith Award  
**To:** Robert Webber <[robertw@marlboro.edu](mailto:robertw@marlboro.edu)>

Rear Rob,

In reference to our conversation concerning my gift of \$4,950 to the John Kenneth Galbraith Award, I hereby agree to unrestrict that gift and allow it to be used as Marlboro College or Emerson College deem appropriate.

Very truly our,

J. Barton Goodwin

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**Robert Webber**  
Chief Financial Officer

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## Alumni Contributions Set Record

"It feels great to create a truly ambitious goal, involving hundreds of people and dozens of volunteers, work on it for a year, and in the end, in this case the very end, make that goal," said Alumni Director Barbara Hilliard, discussing the record 61 percent participation on the part of graduates of Marlboro.

With less than a week until the end of the fiscal year, Barbara Hilliard and her group of volunteers sat back a bit, needing, they thought, a bare handful of donors to reach 60 percent. With pledge payments arriving regularly and being augmented by Gander Fund gifts, no one felt any need to continue a month-old effort to bring in the last few points. There even appeared the possibility of reaching 65 percent. Until Barbara checked the figures once more.

"We'd made a miscalculation earlier in the year," Barbara said, "and carried it right through. Instead of being at 58 or 59 percent, we were at 56 and needed over 40 gifts to reach 60 percent. Back to the phones." Within a matter of days, however, the effort was back on track. The year ended with an excess, 61 percent and just eight gifts shy of 62.

It's too early to tell exactly which other colleges have achieved such a high percentage — Marlboro uses the U.S. *News and World Report* figures — but the magazine's September 1995 list included only four colleges with percentages higher than 60; they were Centre, Williams, Amherst and Carleton. Whatever rank Marlboro achieves, the accomplishment will prove worth the work, and worth whatever it takes to maintain graduate giving at 60 percent or better.

The 61 percent figure tells only part of the alumni story, because it includes only graduates. Marlboro is fortunate to have many non-graduates — 116 this past year — who also give. And the Alumni Fund itself is not the only area supported by alumni. Many contributed to the Gander Fund and other restricted funds. Total alumni giving, then, to all funds came to \$138,677, from 838 alumni.

"That's a record in participation and money that everyone associated with Marlboro can be proud of," said Barbara.

"But not for too long, I hope. It's a new fiscal year now, and we get to try all over again."

## The Roderick M. Gander Fund

IN AUGUST 1995, chairman of the board Lil Farber met with former chairman John Straus and development director Will Wootton to map out a strategy for creating a fund honoring Rod Gander's 15 years of service. Consulted, Rod left the final designation up to Lil and John, with two caveats: that one part of the fund be used to enhance student opportunities, now and in the future, and that another part, to be raised "in-house" among close friends and trustees, be used to help repay accumulated borrowings from endowment. The College had made significant progress reducing that debt over the past few years, and its elimination was within striking distance.

Rod's close friend and former Hamilton hockey teammate Jim Scala, of New Lebanon, NY, signed on to raise money from Rod's Hamilton friends. Trustee Tom Mathews, a former *Newsweek* writer, promised to contact reporters and editors who worked with Rod when he served as chief of correspondents at *Newsweek*. John Straus would speak with fellow trustees. Will Wootton and the development office would handle the broad appeal, and Lil Farber would coordinate and, in a familiar role, directly solicit individuals. Trustee Jerry Aron and his wife Elizabeth McCormack first provided a leadership gift to the Gander Fund, then actively solicited support for the fund. In the end, each group was well represented, and 208 individuals and couples made gifts, usually above and beyond their annual support, to the Gander Fund.

"The Gander fund met and exceeded all our expectations," Lil Farber reported to the board in August. "And why not? Rod exceeded expectations year in and year out for 15 years. With the help of more than \$200,000 raised from trustees and a handful of others, we now have no internal debt for the first time in many years. And the World Studies Program, which Rod established, now has a \$60,000 fund to be used to enhance student opportunities."

~~The total amount raised~~  
honor came to **\$329,239, all but \$25,000** in cash, and that due in pledges over the next 24 months. In addition, a number of individuals chose to honor Rod by making deferred gifts, either through the Pooled Income Fund or, in one case, in the naming of a charitable remainder trust. That future support for the Gander Fund totals \$208,300.

Rod's immediate reaction to the results was quintessential Rod Gander: "If I'd know my resignation would generate half a million dollars, I would have left a long time ago," he said. In a more serious vein, he added, "I'm deeply touched by this generous act on the part of so many old friends and colleagues."

## Gifts to the Gander Fund

(BY SOURCE)

Alumni	\$6,545
Friends	52,112
Trustees	233,325
Former & Current Parents:	11,057
Match gifts	1,200
Pledges due	<u>25,000</u>
	\$329,239
Future Support	208,300
Grand Total	537,539

## Constituency Giving

Parents of current students, all of whom are paying college bills, most of whom are facing loan payments in the future, and probably all of whom are giving their children a few extra dollars to help them get by, could constitute a delicate constituency for parents fund director Maureen Des Chenes.

"Participation, not the amount of a gift, is the key," said Maureen. "That's what I emphasize when I speak with parents." And it works. Two years ago, Maureen persuaded 23 parents to join, and raised \$1,854. But this past year the Fund seems to have turned an important corner. Sixty-three individuals and couples gave gifts to Marlboro totaling \$7,994.

"I have to say I'm so impressed with these parents," said Maureen DesChenes, shortly after speaking with the mothers and fathers of the class of 1996. "To a

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August 7, 2007

Dear Rod and Isabelle,

Thank you for asking me to help you in your thinking about how best to use any future gifts made in your honor to the college, and to refresh our minds on the history of the Roderick M. Gander Fund.

You may recall, Rod, that on the occasion of your retirement in 1995, a two-part fundraising effort was conducted. One portion of the funds raised was to be used to enhance student opportunities. The other, to be raised from close friends of yours and your fellow trustees, would help repay the accumulated borrowings from endowment. In total, \$329,240 in current gifts were raised and used for to fully repay past borrowings and to establish a \$60,000 World Studies Fund. The WSP fund was not endowed, but restricted to helping Marlboro students take advantage of opportunities to study abroad. The thinking was that while endowment would help in the very long run, the program and students needed real investment now. When the WSP fund ran out in the early 90s, these "Gander Grants" were funded through the budget process, but have diminished over the years, now only at \$4,000.

We are also thinking hard about the model of international study. Students are increasingly unable to get visas for lengthy internships, travel is becoming more difficult and expensive, and more countries are considered unsafe for Americans. At the same time more students than ever are expressing a desire to have some kind of study experience off campus, and we are actively researching partnerships and opportunities. Of this year's 77 graduates, seven of these graduated with WSP degrees, representing internships and academic work undertaken in Brazil, China, Guatemala, Indonesia, Rwanda, and Vietnam, in the fields of health, theater, education, human rights, and development. Other graduating seniors this year studied abroad in Lebanon, the Dominican Republic, Bangladesh, Spain, Ireland, Japan, India, Denmark, and Peru meaning that approximately 25% of the Class of 2007 spent a semester or more abroad. Including students who participated in shorter-term international experiences while at Marlboro, the figure is closer to 40%.

A promising model that we have had good success with is faculty-led trips abroad, lasting from two to three weeks. Over the past four years the Freeman Foundation grant has sponsored such trips, with two to three faculty and four to seven students, to India, China, Viet Nam and Japan. Last March, Spanish professor Resha Cardone took her Latin American feminist literature class of six to Chile to research and meet with writers there—this trip was underwritten by Bob Gannett. This summer saw the pilot of a London Interarts semester, during which nine students and Stan Charkey (music) and Tim Segar (visual art) spent three weeks studying a variety of visual and performing arts offerings in New England, and then spent a month in London doing the same. This semester replaces the students' fall semester, useful for freeing up housing and giving students time to pursue work or internship possibilities.

Re-establishing the Gander Fund would be of great use to the students. Ellen and I think it should be an endowed fund, a fitting legacy for all you did to launch and support the World Studies Program. We are confident we would attract a range of gifts from others who are similarly concerned about the students gaining experiences “off the hill.” We also can expect to receive approximately \$200,000 in deferred gifts to the fund in future years.

I look forward to hearing your thoughts, and am happy to provide more information if you need it.

Love,



Hillary Twining &lt;htwining@marlboro.edu&gt;

## Fwd: Clarifying our thoughts on the Ryan Larsen prize

2 messages

Jeffrey Larsen <[REDACTED]> Sat, Jan 25, 2020 at 9:04 AM  
 To: Hillary Twining <htwining@marlboro.edu>, rwashburn@marlboro.edu, Shawn Larsen <[REDACTED]>

Hi Hillary,

Thank you for reaching out. I'm not sure if Kevin also forwarded to you Shawn's follow-up email to him, so I'm including it for you so you can give it some thought in advance of a call. Shawn and I have talked about both the awards to students as well as possibly recognizing his former faculty who meant so much to him in his year at Marlboro.

I am at work during the early part of the week and am taking my elderly father to a doctor's appointment on Thursday, so more than likely you and Shawn can talk about possible options for Ryan's prize. She can look at her schedule next week and let you know some times.

Thank you again,

Jeff

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From: SHAWN LARSEN <[REDACTED]>  
 Date: Mon, Jan 20, 2020 at 3:11 PM  
 Subject: Clarifying our thoughts on the Ryan Larsen prize  
 To: <kevin@marlboro.edu>, Jeff Larsen <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Dear Kevin,

*I just wanted to make a clarification on Jeff's previous email that we have been honored by the all the recipients that have been chosen. Some of the thank you notes we received by these hopeful inspiring young recipients are treasured by our family.*

*The only point we'd like to talk over is the actual cash amount of the awards. We had opened a discussion about giving a minimum amount of money for each recipient because we feel these young students deserve financial award(s) that can truly reflect their commitments and the reasons faculty chose them.*

*In these difficult times as students struggle with staggering costs we just want to be sure the amount is a meaningful gift.*

*Jeff and I are talking about the prize itself and would like to continue the tradition as long as the funds are there. We are also talking over a way to honor Ryan's spirit not only in the student recipients but maybe also consider his professors whom we respect as they respected him. Can you find out who among his professors ( from Sept. to May 2016) are still associated with Marlboro?*

*Thank you for continuing this conversation. We, as Jeff said, understand the need for the campus change and like most people who know Marlboro feel saddened by the loss of the incomparable wooded setting.*

Shawn Larsen, Ryan's mom



Hillary Twining &lt;htwining@marlboro.edu&gt;

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**Time to talk: today, tomorrow or Thursday after 1:00**

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**SHAWN LARSEN** <[REDACTED]>  
To: htwining@marlboro.edu  
Cc: Jeff Larsen <[REDACTED]>, kevin@marlboro.edu

Tue, Jan 28, 2020 at 10:26 AM

Hi Hillary,

I'm around to continue our conversation most of this week after 1:00.

Please let me know if today, tomorrow or Thursday anytime between 1-5 works for you.

Jeff and I are so glad to hear Amer is still there as he was Ryan's most inspirational faculty member and we'd like to talk over apportioning some of the fund as a gift of recognition to him. Please find out before our call if he is planning on staying on with Marlboro Institute in Boston.

Our son [REDACTED] is finishing his dissertation Phd in literature and gender studies at [REDACTED] and so we are keenly aware of how important faculty are to the students they encourage.

Thank you, looking forward to talking with you.



*Shawn*

10 December 1987

Dear Bob:

That was a wonderful lunch, and I'm so glad we could work things out. I called John MacArthur yesterday and, as we thought, he was genuinely flattered to have a scholarship awarded in his name.

Here is the text I've come up with:

The John MacArthur Scholarship Fund for the Sciences, to be awarded by the science faculty to one or more science students on Plan with demonstrable financial need who have demonstrated an interest and ability in the applied sciences. If no current junior or senior on Plan qualifies, the award may be given to any needy student of the sciences deemed worthy by the science faculty.

Amount: \$ 3,000 annually, with 80% used to offset the Marlboro College grant and 20% in cash to the student, preferably to be used for research.

A couple of further points: Generally, I have been informed, a recipient will retain the scholarship through his or her senior year, so long as he or she remains in good standing. In other words, if awarded to a junior, that student would in most cases be a recipient in the senior year.

Rod suggests that awards be made by semester, rather than by full year, in case for any reason a recipient does not return the next semester. You will see on the pledge form a payment schedule of September 1 of each year. If some other schedule is better for you, we'll have no trouble incorporating it.

I should add, I had a long talk with Rod about exposing our students to the "applied" field, in science and other areas, and we all seem to be in complete agreement. I think even next semester we should try to have you up here to talk with interested science students, and then let them see your operation down there. Personally, I'm very interested in working to implement this sort of program.

I hope all of the above is satisfactory. I'll give you a call in a couple of days and we can finalize everything.

Again, thanks.

Sincerely,

Will Wootton

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THOMAS K. SISSON  
CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS

Jan 4, 1980

Dear Gail,

I may be slow as a tortoise in responding to your very full & well written letter about the Marlboro financial aid policies. But, I do respond & I do think we won a great concession from your Committee. Of course I will continue to explore every way to help with Marlboro's pursuit of excellence. You and your colleagues deserve the best students, academically as well as personally. Please continue to award the Sisson Scholarship as you have. And please add to the fund the enclosed gift to Marlboro in memory of my father.

Rec'd. 1/28/80  
\$500<sup>00</sup>  
R-CD/  
Warren Sisson Scholarship.

My prayers for a white winter  
with this letter.

Sincerely,  
Tom Sisson

P.S. Sorry, but I've been holding onto this because of money problems, which I hope are OK now. TKS 1/25/80

LEHI

MARLBORO COLLEGE  
MARLBORO, VERMONT

January 29, 1980

Thomas K. Sisson  
[REDACTED]

Concord, MA [REDACTED]

Dear Tom:

Your letter of January 25th and the enclosed check have arrived. Thank you very much for your generous contribution to the Warren Sisson Scholarship. We shall continue to award it to an outstanding upper class student with financial need. I greatly appreciate your understanding of our need for scholarship aid to upper-class students.

The issues raised at the October Trustee meeting set off a very healthy debate. I am pleased that we have clarified Marlboro's position on Financial Aid and grateful to you for being the catalyst.

Snow continues to evade us. We are told, however, that great blizzards will come in February. Meanwhile, the ice skating continues to be fine and more and more people are enjoying it.

Come see us soon.

Sincerely,

*Gail Cooper*

Gail Cooper

gc/s

MRS. ROBERT SHELDON STANTON

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SHAKER HEIGHTS, OHIO ██████████

June 26, 1973

William E. Olmsted  
Marlboro College  
Marlboro, Vt.

Dear Mr. Olmsted:

Your letter of the 13th was received, but I was not able to reply immediately, for I wanted to consult the children.

It will be agreeable with us to have an announcement of the scholarship in your local newspapers and in the catalogue of the college. However I do not want this to appear in the Cleveland papers.

My husband and I have been interested in Marlboro since its early days, and I can well remember having dinner with the Hendricks, and discussing the college at that time. Our son, Bob, was one of your earliest graduates.

We were always interested in Vermont too, and at one time considered moving there and buying a home near the college. Our three children were all ██████████ graduates, and our two daughters were married in the ██████████ church in Brattleboro, and had their wedding receptions at the ██████████. "ube and Betty Moore have always been friends. One of our daughters now lives in Vermont, and her husband teaches in the High School at Hanover, N.H.

My husband was a graduate of Cornell, and received his Masters from the University of Illinois. He was a Professor for many years, and always interested in education. Which is why we thought that a scholarship would be a fitting memorial to him. I don't know how you record this in your office, but I am enclosing a paragraph which might be helpful.

Yours very truly,

*Margaret J. Stainton*

Mrs. R.S. Stainton



MRS. ROBERT SHELDON STANTON

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SHAKER HEIGHTS, OHIO ██████████

A scholarship to Marlboro College has been endowed in honor of Robert Sheldon Stainton. The donors are the wife and children of the late Mr. Stainton. Because of his interest in Marlboro College from its early days, and because of their deep affection for the memory of their husband and father, they desire to establish this scholarship as a living memorial to him. By means of the financial assistance thus provided, the Staintons desire that succeeding worthy students may enjoy through the years the advantage of a college education so deeply cherished by Mr. Stainton

Mr. Robert T. Stainton

Los Altos, CA

Dear Mr. Stainton:

4/23/92

First let me say how delighted I am - and President Gander was when I informed him - about your intention to greatly augment the Stainton Scholarship in your estate plans. I apologize for not being more thoroughly informed about the details of the Scholarship when you called, but now I have spent some time going over the files of correspondence between the College and you and your mother, and I have spoken with the comptroller, and can sum things up for you.

Finances first: Because the auditors are currently at work on the fiscal year just over, the figures I'm using are those generated as of June 30, 1991. At that time, the Stainton Scholarship fund balance came to \$18,759, plus a gain on principal of \$1,932, for a total endowed fund of \$20,691. In addition, there is \$1,291 accumulated earnings available for scholarship awards.

You might be interested to learn that your total personal contribution to the Scholarship amounts to \$3,300.

The Fund was created May 23, 1973 when Marlboro received \$5,000 from your mother, the first installment of her \$10,000 pledge for a scholarship fund to be "known as the Robert Sheldon Stainton Scholarship." I noticed with interest she wrote that the College "could award it as it sees fit."

Your mother's contribution was quickly followed by the other original donors: yourself; Mr. and Mrs. Merle R. Pulver; and Mr. Robert L. Taylor.

The first Stainton Scholarship was awarded in 1974 to David Tucker (who has been "lost" to the College for two years, and I think is overseas for the state department). Although I find no record of how the College created the parameters for awards, it is clear they have been uniform from the first. The need-based scholarship is awarded annually at commencement to a junior or senior for "substantial extracurricular contributions to the community, as well as for academic excellence."

Generally, the awards have been \$750 or \$800, although in 1990 C.J. Churchill (who served as head selectperson and is now teaching at the Deck School in Maine) was awarded \$1,500, and in 1991 Christina Fuhrmann (who graduated this year and has received a

full graduate school scholarship in music at Duke) was awarded

\$1,000. These cases reflect the use of accumulated earnings of the Fund as well as cases of unusual need and deservedness. Because of the great need on the part of students, currently as well as in years past, the College has made a practice of awarding all available scholarship money; hence, growth of principle in our endowed scholarships has been negligible.

In looking over the Scholarships awarded since 1982, I note that three males and eight females have been recipients. Of the 11, only one did not graduate; that was a young woman from Nantucket who left for reasons unrelated to the College.

In general, Mr. Stainton, I can say that the Stainton Scholarship has been highly effective in helping worthy, needy students complete their Marlboro educations. Needless to say, the financial pressures and burdens on these students are tremendous and growing, and your plans to add considerable resources to the Scholarship could not be more welcome from an institutional standpoint, or from the standpoint, I imagine, of future recipients.

Your intentions are especially timely, I might add. In October, Marlboro will announce its 50th Anniversary Campaign. You, and all the alumni, will be learning more about it as that date nears. We have recently decided how we are going to account for bequests made during the Campaign - essentially as a separate category under "future support." With your permission, I would eventually like to list the addition to the Scholarship when we publish a Campaign update.

Two additional items I wish to relay: even without understanding the nature or term of the U.S. bonds you mentioned over the phone, and whether this idea makes sense in relation to those bonds and your income from them, I do want to make sure you know that the College now has its own Pooled Income Fund, managed by Fleet Bank, in Hartford. Depending on a number of personal financial considerations, you might wish to explore the idea of investing those monies in that Fund. In case you are unfamiliar with pooled income funds, I've enclosed here a brief description of Marlboro's.

Finally, I want to remind you of Alumni weekend, October 11, where we are having a special reception at the President's house for "pioneer alumni," graduates from 1947 - 1960. I don't know how long its been since you've visited the old place, but it would be wonderful if you could make it.

I hope I have covered everything. Please give me a call if there is anything else you would like to know, or there are any blanks I have not filled.

Sincerely,

Will Wootton '72

~~Marlboro College~~  
This GIFT AGREEMENT is entered into on June 7, 2016 between William M. Sterr Family and Corporation of Marlboro College, a/k/a Marlboro College ("Marlboro College"), a Vermont nonprofit corporation that has established an endowment to be held, managed and used for the benefit of Marlboro College.

A. Gift to be added to Endowment

The Marlboro College Endowment is classified as a permanent endowment with assets held and managed for investment and appropriation for purposes described below. Marlboro College shall add \$30,000, donated by the William Sterr Family to the Endowment on the date that Marlboro College receives and accepts the Gift from the Donor.

B. Background

The Jo'an Noble Sterr Prize for Excellence in the Study of, or Practical Effort to Advance Social or Economic Justice was established in June, 2016 by the Sterr Family in loving memory of Jo'an Noble Sterr, beloved wife of William M. Sterr and mother to Carrie Sterr Coello '01 and Ambrose Sterr '07. The Sterr Family expressed interest in providing more support than their monthly giving, which has been consistently generous since 2002.

William Sterr resides in Vancouver, Washington. Ambrose Sterr is a [REDACTED] designer who resides in Seattle, Washington and Carrie Sterr Coello is an educator who resides in Renton, Washington with her husband [REDACTED] and their two sons, [REDACTED], 4 and [REDACTED] 2.

C. Purpose of Gift

The Endowment shall be utilized exclusively for the following purposes:  
The Jo'an Noble Sterr Prize will be awarded to a junior or senior who has demonstrated a strong commitment to social and economic justice through their Plan of Concentration and/or civic engagement on the Marlboro campus or at the local, state, national or international level.

D. Endowment Payout

The Endowment payout shall be in accordance with the Investment and Spending Policy established by Marlboro College's Board of Trustees, and in accordance with state law, including the Vermont Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA"), and generally accepted accounting practices.

E. Investment of Endowment Assets

Marlboro College shall invest Endowment assets as an institutional fund under UPMIFA with the goal of optimizing yield and maintaining the spending power of the endowment assets. The Endowment's assets shall be subject to the Investment and Spending Policy of Marlboro College relating to endowments, and shall be managed in a manner that is consistent with these requirements. Marlboro College shall exercise exclusive authority over management of the Endowment, including the pooling of the Endowment for investment and payout purposes, and accounting for Endowment assets under generally accepted accounting principles.

F. Additional Contributions to Endowment

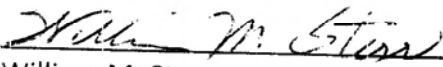
Additional contributions shall not contain restrictions, conditions, or designations which are inconsistent or in conflict with this Agreement.

G. Alternative Use of Endowment Distributions

In the event the above purpose is frustrated, becomes unreasonable, burdensome, or cannot otherwise be accomplished, Endowment distributions shall be made available as specified by Marlboro College Board of Trustees for uses most consistent with the above purpose.

Approved by:

The William M. Sterr Family

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William M. Sterr", written over a horizontal line.

William M. Sterr

MARLBORO COLLEGE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew Barone", written over a horizontal line.

Matthew Barone

Chief External Relations Officer

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Scholarships: Eliz. Rowell

Thompson & Thomas Thompson

WILLIAM B. TYLER

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

July 26, 1976

Also see: Febro. / Thomas Thompson Trust

Mr. Thomas B. Ragle  
President  
Marlboro College  
Marlboro, VT 05344

Dear Tom:

In addition to the formal letter from the Thompson Trustees awarding funds for the two scholarships at Marlboro, I wanted to write a personal comment or two which you may read to your Board, if appropriate.

It goes without saying that the small enrollment at Marlboro College in relation to other private, liberal arts institutions with which it must compete when taken together with its limited financial resources would tend to give pause to any foundation making a grant to the permanent endowment of the college. The Thompson Trustees, nevertheless, were willing to extend their support to the college because of certain elements of strength which we perceived in the Marlboro picture which we believe will enable it to weather the difficult financial circumstances which it is now passing through. Not the least of these is an excellent and dedicated faculty which believe in the future of the college to the extent that they are willing to make significant financial sacrifices to continue as part of its teaching force, and also a strong and energetic president who is determined to put the college on a sound financial footing.

We also noted Marlboro's commitment to good education and to the development in its student body of an identity with and a sense of responsibility for the college. We commend the college's policy of requiring that each scholar fulfill the demands of his curriculum, meet deadlines and to respect Marlboro's standards.

We hope you will view this grant as an expression of confidence in you and your faculty and staff.

Sincerely yours,



William B. Tyler

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ROGER B. TYLER  
WILLIAM B. TYLER  
TRUSTEES

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July 15, 1976

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Thomas B. Ragle, President  
Marlboro College  
Marlboro, Vermont 05344

Dear Mr. Ragle:

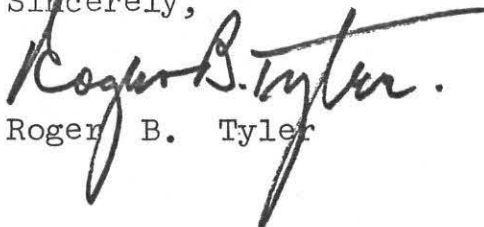
The Trustees under the will of Thomas Thompson are pleased to advise you of their decision to make a grant to Marlboro College of \$60,000 to fund two permanent scholarships to the college.

The terms and conditions on which this grant is made are as follows:

1. That the two scholarships shall be established in the name of Thomas Thompson and Elizabeth Rowell Thompson respectively.
2. That annually each scholarship shall be awarded to a worthy and deserving male and female student having a bona fide residence in Windham County, Vermont, the criteria for qualification to be determined by the college's scholarship awarding committee.
3. That the grant money shall be treated as a restricted part of the permanent endowment of Marlboro College and shall be invested in securities of first quality using as a standard, investments considered prudent by professional trustees.
4. In the event that Marlboro College should ever consolidate with another educational institution that the successor institution will continue to award the scholarships on the same basis.

We are enclosing with this letter some material concerning Mr. Thompson, the donor of the trust, and his wife Elizabeth for whom the scholarships are named.

Sincerely,

  
Roger B. Tyler

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Enclosure

CD/R - scholarships (2)

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723-4535

October 29, 1979

Mr. Thomas B. Ragle, President  
Marlboro College  
Marlboro, Vermont 05344

Re: Thompson Lectureship

Dear Tom:

I trust this letter will summarize the trustees' recent conversations and dialogue which we have been exchanging over the past year.

We believe it an appropriate and effective vote of confidence at this time to commit an additional \$20,000 to what you fondly refer to as the "Thompson Endowment". We will partially fund our gift with \$10,000 payable before year end, the remaining \$10,000 to be paid in May or June of 1980.

As suggested by you we request that the income from these funds be used annually to provide for a visiting lecturer who is articulate and espouses a view which is counter to the prevailing mood and opinion of the student body on campus with regard to some controversial topic of the day. The details, proper wording and selection process we would like to leave in your capable hands. However, we would be most interested in reviewing the final results before its implementation.

We gratefully accept your kind invitation acting as host for a gathering in your home, Saturday, December 1, 1979. No doubt we can use this opportunity to renew and strengthen our acquaintance with selected faculty, students or friends who have each made a unique contribution to the Marlboro community.

With best regards from us all.

Sincerely,

*Dan*

DWF:MD

June 2019

Darrel Williams ' [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Medford, MA [REDACTED]

Dear Darrel,

Greetings from Potash Hill! I am writing to let you know about recipients of the Rebecca Willow Prize for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 academic years.

Every year at Commencement, prize recipients are announced by Richard Glejzer, Marlboro's provost and dean of faculty. Most of the prizes are designated for seniors, but some are open to students from other classes. The prizes have the effect of reminding everyone in attendance what values Marlboro holds dear, as well as honoring the life or memory of cherished community members. Marlboro's prizes also provide a wonderful opportunity to send graduating seniors out into the world with a little extra cash in their pockets. You will find a description of all the prizes on pages 15 and 16 of the enclosed Commencement program. I hope you enjoy perusing the Plans of Concentration by our class of 2019.

As you may recall, the Rebecca Willow Prize is described as follows: The Rebeca Willow Prize, established in 2008 in memory of Rebecca Willow, Class of 1995, is awarded to a student whose presence brings personal integrity and kindness to the community and who unites an interest in human history and culture with a passion for the natural world.



For the academic year that just concluded, the Prizes and Scholarships Committee awarded the Rebecca Willow Prize to Avellana Ross '19 from Salem, Massachusetts. In terms of her experience at Marlboro, Avellana writes, "Living at Marlboro makes me think of people like Thoreau and monks of many religious traditions, who while seeking to immerse themselves in knowledge and contemplation, would retreat to the mountains to live and work alone or among a small community. I think that life at Marlboro not only resembles that on the surface, but also offers a similar intensity that is very comfortable and inspires me to grow at the same time."



For the 2017-2018 academic year, the Prizes and Scholarships Committee awarded the Rebecca Willow Prize to Ben Rybisky '18 from St. Paul, Minnesota and Lucy Hammond '18 from Shandaken, New York. Ben offers this advice to new students: "Marlboro is a challenging school. Sometimes it might feel like you can't do what you need to do, but there is always hope, and the school offers many resources to help you with your work, including your own friends, who might be the most effective. Marlboro is difficult, but it is definitely worth it."