Bright Futures! for Students and Industry

2011-2012 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

"Good things are happening at the college. It's just business as usual."
— Dr. David Woodall

LWIT prepares students for today's jobs and tomorrow's opportunities.
Message from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Lake Washington Institute of Technology

While we have experienced the tragic loss of our college President, Dr. David Woodall, we have not lost our vision. We continue laying the groundwork for the 21st century institute of technology, creating a bright future for the college and a strong relationship with the LWIT Foundation.

In the past year we’ve made significant strides toward this honorable goal. We received reaffirmation of our college accreditation, began promising work toward developing our next strategic plan, and have developed a valuable President’s Advisory Council of prominent business leaders in our community who are helping us envision the workforce needs of the future, which will be the foundation of our growing programs.

We have a Bachelor’s of Applied Design in Multimedia Design and Production, and have made impressive progress toward adding more Applied Baccalaureate degrees in the very near future. We have also added, and continue to add new pathways to high demand, high wage jobs for our students, from certificates to degrees to Applied Baccalaureate degrees.

We continue to expand and deepen our international ties. This year we implemented what we call our China Initiative where we are working hand in hand with colleges in China to develop programs together that open doors for information and educational exchange between our two countries.

We have also enhanced our online learning department — adding increased online courses in order to better accommodate our students’ busy schedules as well as updated software to ease use. Integral to this expansion, as well as development and enhancement of our many programs, is the addition of our new Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Kathleen Curphy. Kathleen comes from the community college system in Minnesota where she worked in several leadership roles, including hands-on participation in developing e-learning. We look forward to her contributions to our college.

With so many exciting steps toward growth and future growth well under way, we’re looking forward to another successful year at LWIT.

Warm Regards,

Bruce J. Reid
Chair, LWIT Board of Trustees

Members of the LWIT Board of Trustees join Dr. David Woodall at the opening of the Allied Health Building in 2011. Standing in front of the sculpture by Katy Stone are, left to right: Sang I. Choe, Trustee; Darrell S. Milburn, Vice Chair; Dr. David Woodall, President; Bruce J. Reid, Chair; and Dr. Lynette D. Jones, Trustee.

LWIT delegation visiting Suzhou Industrial Park Foreign Language School, in Suzhou, Jiangsu Province, China. Pictured (from left to right) are: Eugene Zhang, President of US China Cultural Exchange Group; Dr. David Woodall, President, LWIT; Myung Park, Executive Director, Global Programs & Partnerships; Li Lawry, International Outreach Specialist, Global Programs & Partnerships; Dennis Long, Vice President, LWIT; Kim Inzerger, Principal of Lake Washington Academy; LWIT, Steve Bai, President, Beijing Aeon Investment Corporation; Peter Pan, Admission Director, Suzhou Industrial Park Foreign Language School; and an officer from Suzhou Industrial Park Foreign Language School.
Message from the LWIT Foundation
Bright Futures depend on you!

Dear Friends,
The past 12 months at the LWIT Foundation have been busy, productive, and most recently, very sad as we lost our remarkable LWIT leader and president Dr. Woodall. Dr. Woodall believed achieving the vision of a first-class institute of technology required the partnership of a strong foundation. We couldn’t agree more and will continue our focus on building relationships in the community to generate important resources of all kinds to support LWIT students, programs, faculty and staff. Here are some highlights of what we’ve done in 2011/12:

- **A new name:** We changed our name to LWIT Foundation, aligning ourselves more clearly with the newly renamed Lake Washington Institute of Technology, and we sharpened our mission to make it absolutely clear we’re 110 percent focused on supporting students, faculty and staff, and the programs of LWIT;

- **A new director:** In June 2011, in conjunction with the President’s office, we hired Laurie Austin as the Foundation’s first-ever full-time Executive Director. Laurie brings a wealth of experience, knowledge and skills to the Foundation and she is quickly growing our capacity to better serve students and industry;

- **Our largest bequest ever:** In January 2012 the Foundation received its largest bequest ever, over $400,000 from the estate of Marlene “Malka” Fricks, a lifelong educator and teacher. Malka’s generous bequest now funds scholarships for students in the baccalaureate program for Applied Design (BTAD).

**Your support makes a difference!** There are so many ways to contribute and just as many ways your contribution will benefit students, programs, faculty and staff at LWIT. As little as $30 helps a student in need by paying for one of the five GED tests required for a student getting started. A $500 contribution allows you to name a scholarship fund. Donations help send students to regional, national and even international competitions, provide needed program resources, offer student emergency assistance and help faculty and staff keep their skills current through professional education. Have another idea of how you’d like to help? Call or email us and we will find a way to match your donation and interest with a need here at LWIT.

At the LWIT Foundation we’re all about creating bright futures. Please join us to see what a difference you can make!

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**LWIT Foundation Mission**
To actively engage business and the community in supporting Lake Washington Institute of Technology, its students, and its role in building a strong economy.

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Bright Futures for Students

LWIT Students Win Honors and Awards

- The U.S. Federal Highway Administration selected three LWIT students in 2011 to receive Dwight D. Eisenhower Community College Transportation Fellowships, which allowed them to pursue degrees in transportation-related disciplines, and use their awards for applied research. They presented their work on individual research projects at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board in Washington D.C., the largest transportation conference in the world. Three additional students were selected in 2012. LWIT is one of only five technical and community colleges in the United States to participate in program.

- The Puget Sound Chapter of the Construction Specification Institute (PSI-CSI) awarded eight LWIT Engineering Graphics Department students professional sponsorships. The awards cover each student’s Construction Document Technician (CDT) training, preparation to sit for the certification examination, and provide annual membership dues and the cost of monthly dinner meetings.

- Our Culinary Knowledge Bowl team won the gold medal and became regional champions when they competed in the western region Culinary Knowledge Bowl in spring, 2012. Hosted by the American Culinary Federation (ACF), the competition measured culinary knowledge and fundamental cooking skills. Having achieved that distinction, the team traveled to Orlando this summer for the ACF’s 2012 Baron H. Galand Culinary Knowledge Bowl and brought home the gold, beating all other regional champions!

- LWIT Motorcycle, Marine and Power Equipment Service Technology students finished first in their disciplines at the SkillsUSA Washington CollegePost-Second-year Spring Leadership and Skills Conference. Two LWIT attended the SkillsUSA National Conference in Kansas City, Mo, where Jeremy Talley finished second in the nation in the motorcycle category. The competition included more than 6,000 students and advisors from around the country competing in motorcycle service, welding, auto repair, carpentry, masonry and many, many more areas. As a part of the prize, Harley-Davidson donated a new motorcycle to LWIT in support of the school’s Motorcycle, Marine and Power Equipment program.

- Five LWIT students received $2,000 scholarships at the Washington State Hot Rod Hall of Fame 2012 Awards Banquet. The awards recognize students with talent and the drive to succeed who are in need of financial assistance to reach their automotive dreams. “We’ve found LWIT’s program and reputation so impressive, the faculty so cooperative, and the students so talented, we decided to provide our scholarships to students at this college exclusively,” said Shag Clark, Scholarship Director.

- Two LWIT students received scholarships recognizing their academic performance and community service at the All-Washington Academic Team Competition. Student Elizabeth Valdez received the prestigious Coca-Cola Bronze Scholar award.

"LWIT Foundation awards help send students to national and even international competitions, sharpening their skills by competing — and winning! — against the best in their fields."

— Dick Haelsig, LWIT Foundation board member
Bright Futures | for Industry

LWIT works closely with businesses, industry leaders and community members to develop the most up-to-the-minute training, serving the needs of local, regional and national employers. Partnerships allow us to work together to design industry-specific curriculum to train current and future employees.

Industry Partnerships with LWIT

Help meet growing workforce needs
- The Puget Sound region employs nearly 23 times more workers in aircraft manufacturing than the national average. LWIT provides workforce training in industrial technologies for jobs in aircraft manufacturing and in a wide range of supplier and related industries.
- New programs are being developed in engineering technologies to help meet growing demand for engineers throughout the United States.

Provide a qualified workforce
- LWIT’s Funeral Service Education program received accreditation by the American Board of Funeral Service Education. It is the only accredited program in the state of Washington and one of fewer than 60 in the U.S.
- As part of the Governor’s Investment in Aerospace (GIA) grant, the college received funds to hire an additional faculty member in the Machine Technology program to teach a new two quarter Principles of Precision Machining Certificate of Completion. Additionally, the GIA grant funded equipment purchases in both the Machine Technology and Building & Plant Maintenance Program, for a total of nearly $400,000.

Offer opportunities to students
- Internships and externships provide real world experience.

‘Working at one of Seattle’s most famous bakeries has helped me a lot. It’s a real life experience. In the lab, we can go slow and try to figure everything out. Here, everything is real. Time is really important. You have to get things done on time. Every day I am learning new skills and gaining experience I wouldn’t have anywhere else.’
— Amp Wachirawatthanapromote regional economic growth
- One of central Puget Sound’s greatest economic assets is its infrastructure and talent tied to transportation and logistics. New curriculum is being developed for this sector.
- LWIT is working with the Biomedical Innovation Partnership Zone (IPZ) to create an incubator on campus for start-up medical device companies.

‘The employers I talk to… tell me they value our graduates because they not only have the skills to complete the job, but they also possess the professional soft skills to do the job well. They hire our graduates knowing that they will be able to thank them for a job well done.’
— Dr. David Woodall
Bright Futures | for Alumni

The Alumni Connection

- Life after college doesn’t mean that students need to miss out on all the fun or lose track of each other. The LWIT Foundation has established a new program called The Alumni Connection to help alumni connect with each other and with our faculty and to nurture a life-long connection to LWIT. The Associated Student Government is partnering with the LWIT Foundation to encourage alumni and future alumni to share their e-mail addresses with The Alumni Connection. Volunteers are needed to help maintain new Facebook and LinkedIn group pages. Benefits to alumni who join The Alumni Connection include making new professional contacts and participating in activities and events for like-minded alumni.

Connect with The LWIT Alumni Connection by e-mailing the Alumni Coordinator at alumni@lwit.edu and providing your personal contact information. (We will respect your privacy and do not sell or trade personal information.) Anyone who has attended LWIT for at least one term is eligible to join.

"I was a CSNT (Computer Science Network Technology) student and received a Foundation Award... My experience with faculty and students and everyone at the College was rewarding and when I began working I then contributed it back to the Foundation. I Paid It Forward to the Lake Washington College Foundation. This is what it is all about — a chance for everyone of you to Pay it Forward!!!!" — Sheri Theodorson, 2009

Pay it Forward

- Alumni know, perhaps better than anyone else, that even a small scholarship can make a huge difference to a student who is struggling to balance school life and expenses. Hundreds of students have shared personal stories of the difference a scholarship has made to them.

- The Foundation is proud to announce a new scholarship fund: The Pay It Forward Scholarship, sponsored by The Alumni Connection to encourage students, alumni, and anyone else to contribute something — even just pocket change! — to help future students who follow in their footsteps.

Meet Some of Our Alumni...

Dave Ferguson | Entrepreneur, LWIT Foundation Board member

"My father had given me basic instruction in electronic theory and helped me train for my ham radio operator’s license and build my own ham radio transceiver when I was ten. I started taking classes at LWIT in the early nineties in the Electronic Technician program while working as an entry-level employee with Microsoft. LWIT faculty member Joe Gryniuk was a motivational force driving me through the next couple of years and encouraging me to explore my own projects outside the course curriculum. The knowledge gained from those years led to a stint as a software engineer and eventually to open a series of my own companies. The skills I gathered at LWIT have helped me consult on and design systems and procedures involving complicated circuitry. The foundation that Joe and his program provided over a decade ago affords me the ability to visualize solutions incorporating custom electronics. Going forward I do have two or three interesting ideas in mind any of which may become the center of future businesses, stay tuned!"

Dennis Depuy | LWIT faculty

"After more than 40 years in the auto collision industry I was advised to get into a less stressful business. I returned to school at LWIT to study computer graphics and business support and quickly became friends with instructors, staff and other students. My stress was eliminated completely. When the Dean asked me to consider a position at the college, I applied and was hired as a Technical Aide in four different programs. I have dedicated my time to making a better environment for student success and safety, and I repair tools and equipment and work with vendors to keep cost down. I work with industry to give our students better opportunities for jobs and stay in touch with them in an effort to align our curriculum with industry needs. I love working with students, and I love the people I have come to know at the college. This work has virtually saved my life and made me happy at the same time."
The Community Makes it Happen

The LWIT community is more than students, faculty and staff. Support from individuals, business, corporations and service organizations provides the scholarships that enable students to stay in school, the equipment needed for state-of-the industry training, the funds for student travel to competitions, and more. Join the LWIT community as an advocate, a volunteer or a donor. You will be helping to provide the workforce education that our business community and our students need in order to thrive.

- Over 200 guests attended the 2011 Pathways to Learning benefit breakfast, contributing nearly $40,000 to benefit student scholarships, student emergency funds and programs at LWIT. Funds from the breakfast provided 29 student scholarships, and an additional 28 students received emergency assistance to help them stay in school.

- A bequest from Marlene "Malka" Fricks will provide scholarships for many years to support students in Lake Washington Institute of Technology’s Bachelor of Technology in Applied Design (BTAD) program. The donor, whose bequest is largest gift ever received by LWIT, was a lifelong supporter of education and the arts.

- The Pine Lake Garden Club hosted a garden tour in Sammamish to support LWIT’s horticulture department. The Pine Lake Garden Club has been a long supporter of student scholarships. This was their 19th year of supporting the scholarship program, but their first year opening their private gardens for a public tour. We are very grateful for their support.

- Students in industrial technologies, computer security, engineering graphics and business management benefit each year from scholarships contributed by The Boeing Company. In 2012, Boeing increased its contribution to LWIT for scholarships by several thousand dollars, with the result that students in five more programs will be able to receive much-needed scholarships.

- The Annual Fund for Excellence is an important source of unrestricted gifts from donors who want their gifts to be used where the need is greatest. Professional education for faculty keeps them abreast of the latest developments in technology. Students travel to competitions, where they demonstrate their skills and win! The Foundation can provide light refreshments for Advisory Committees who volunteer their expertise to strengthen our programs, and a student in need can get temporary emergency housing. Whatever the need, your gift of $5 to $5,000 makes an important difference, and we thank you.
A Big Thank You to Our 2011 Donors

Each hundreds of students are able to enroll in a program at Lake Washington Institute of Technology, hoping to get the education that will help them get a job, to learn the skills that employers need, or to update their skills as technology advances. Your generosity provides the scholarships and emergency help they may need to fulfill their dreams. On behalf of the Foundation and all who benefit, thank you!

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Featured Donor | The Peierls Foundation

The Peierls Foundation has been a generous supporter and friend to high school programs at Lake Washington Institute of Technology since 1996. Brian Peierls and his brother Jeffrey direct The Peierls Foundation, Inc., which was created by their parents in the 1950’s. They were inspired by their parents, who modeled giving, volunteerism, and building relationships. Based in Austin, Texas, The Peierls Foundation supports organizations that make a positive impact on the community and is dedicated to supporting higher education, international relief and programs benefiting children/youth, services and civil rights.

Over the years, the Peierls family has stayed in close contact with us by mail, savoring the stories of the students and news of how their gifts have helped. Their personal warmth and concern for each individual was apparent when Brian Peierls visited LWIT in the summer of 2012 – his first visit since 1996.

Donations from the Peierls Foundation have provided significant, needed support to several thousand high school students through scholarships, academic assistance, transportation assistance, and meal tickets. This year, through the donations of the Peierls Foundation, LWIT was able to create a remodeled classroom learning space for high school students in the Gateway to College program. In recognition of the profound impact of its charitable donations from high school students who attend Lake Washington Technical Academy, the Board of Trustees of LWIT has named this classroom THE PEIERLS LEARNING CENTER.

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