

MARGARET CHASE SMITH PUBLIC AFFAIRS SCHOLARSHIPS

Five undergraduate students at the University of Maine have been awarded Margaret Chase Smith Public Affairs Scholarships of \$3000 for 1998-99. The Scholarship is designed to foster the late Senator's abiding belief that real progress will be attained only through the education of Maine's young people. It was established in 1991 by the University of Maine Foundation with gifts from Harold Alfond to the Margaret Chase Smith Foundation. The scholarship was inaugurated on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Senator Smith's election to the U.S. House of Representatives and in recognition of her many years of dedicated public service to the citizens of Maine and the Nation from 1940-1973.

This year's scholarship recipients are:

Molly A. Barker of Wilton, a sophomore majoring in International Affairs/History. Her research project will combine historic research and travel to Hong Kong in order to gain insight into the long-term effects of foreign policy. She will contrast public opinions and policy concerning China in the years that Margaret Chase Smith was a Senator with current policies and public opinions. Her research and travel to Hong Kong will provide an experience which she will share when speaking at area schools.

Victoria D. Curtis, a sophomore from Eddington, is majoring in Political Science. She is interested in how Maine State welfare law and reforms are occurring today, compared with the rest of the country.

Nichole L. Mitchell is a sophomore Political Science major from Glenburn. Her project will involve studying the changes in the environmental movement in the state and nation from the 1970s-1990s and how the recent forestry referendums have impacted the environmental movement in Maine.

Michael P. Hussey is a sophomore Economics major from Alfred. His project will address a dual problem facing Maine: (1) decreasing enrollment and student quality at the University of Maine, and (2) many high-skilled workers leaving Maine to attend out of state colleges or employment opportunities.

Misty A. Edgecomb of Limestone, in the second year of her award, is a junior majoring in Journalism and Natural Resources. She will integrate major environmental issues from across the state of Maine into an educational resource magazine for elementary school science teachers at about the fourth grade level.

FELLOWSHIP STUDENTS ENJOY MAINE

***Dr. Janann Sherman returns to Maine to search for photos for use
in soon-to-be published biography of Senator Smith***

At a Lobster Feed

In Portland

***At Norlands Living
History Center***

Riverview Memorial School (Norridgewock ME) classes tour the library on
October 8 and October 22

Aboard Moosehead Lake's Katahdin

PROJECT CITIZEN WORKSHOP HELD AT MCSL

On October 24 the MCSL hosted a Project Citizen workshop for Maine middle school teachers. Funded by the U. S. Department of Education, Project Citizen is designed to promote competent and responsible participation in state and local government where students are engaged in hands-on learning. As part of the program, students research public policy issues and propose solutions. Group poster displays and portfolios are then judged in state and national competitions.

The MCSL was pleased to assist workshop organizers Pamela Beal and Robert Goddard in bringing this important program to the students of Maine.

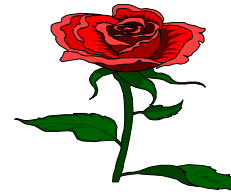
Skowhegan's Margaret Chase Smith School visit on October 14

Project Citizen Workshop participants Pam Beal, Robert Goddard, Gail Perry,
Claire Colgan & Rae Pelletier

LIBRARY LOSES KEY SUPPORTER

One of the pivotal people responsible for the development of the Margaret Chase Smith Library, H. L. (Hal) Gosselin passed away in Lewiston after a long illness. A dear friend to many, Hal served as message center chief for the 14th Army Air Force in China during World War II. When returning to civilian life, he became a reporter for the **Lewiston Journal** until his appointment as city controller for the city of Lewiston, ME. Library scrapbooks reveal much material regarding his association with Bates Manufacturing Company and later Central Maine Medical Center as senior vice president and chairman of the Board of Trustees. He was a former chairman of the Lewiston Police Commission; past exalted ruler and honorary life member of Lewiston Lodge of Elks; Chairman of the United Way of Lewiston; past president of the Chamber of Commerce; past president of the Lewiston Hockey Association; a volunteer for the Androscoggin Home Health Services and many other civic organizations. In addition to this, he was an active member of the MCS Library's Advisory Committee and MCS Foundation Board of Trustees. In fact, the initial idea for the MCSL came from Hal Gosselin in 1973. For this, we are forever grateful.

Our condolences to his family and all those who knew and loved him.



Hal Gosselin receives a special commendation on June 13, 1991, from the MCSL and Senator Smith

SR. JOYCE RECEIVES AWARD

Not only did she serve those associated with St. Joseph's College, but her care and devotion to Senator Smith for a year and a half before her death in 1995 has caused Husson College, Bangor, ME, to honor Sr. Joyce Mahany with an award for public service. Presenting the award was Clara Swan, former Vice President and Academic Dean at Husson. A graduate of Husson in 1958, Sr. Joyce has been a long-time friend of Senator Smith and the Library, currently serving on its Advisory Committee. Presently, Sr. Joyce is the Director of Development at Catherine McAuley High School in Portland, ME.

Receiving other alumni awards were: Dewey Martin, Peter Curran, Charles Gerrish, Henrietta Coulombe Montagna, Diana Brasier McGlinchey, Ann Sossong, Betsy MacGregor Webb, and Thomas V. Barrows with a special presentation to Delmont Merrill.

Senator Smith was honored twice by Husson College—in 1966 when becoming an honorary member of Pi Rho Zeta International, Epsilon Tau Epsilon Sorority; and in 1972 when receiving an honorary degree.

Likewise, St. Joseph's College presented Senator Smith with an honorary degree in 1970 and currently has a small display honoring her in Wellehan Library at the Standish, ME, college.

Congratulations, Sr. Joyce, and many thanks for your devotion to Maine's first lady of politics.

Sr. Joyce Mahany (L) receives Public Service Award from former Vice President and Academic Dean Clara Swan at Husson College ceremony on October 17



SAN DIEGO
(Cont. from pg. 5)

Both the Nuns and Dr. Kane credited me with bringing this about. There was much jealousy and feeling between the agencies and the services that required the whole day Saturday to find solutions for. This was done by sitting around the table with the Chamber of Commerce and agencies and military heads all in one room working on ironing out their differences. There was, however, a lighter side in off hours as the Mexican border was close by and an attraction to newcomers both because of the races and the shopping to say nothing about the rumors of open houses (prostitution). This was the one place that a woman member was wise to know when to see and hear. The male members wanted to explore the land beyond the border. I wanted to see something of the wonders of racing and shopping in Tijuana, so arrangements were made to go down to the races. This did not take in other interests. One evening the committee males decided to separate and go different ways. When one group was approached by the press and asked where they were going and where was Mrs. Smith, wasn't she going with them, one Congressman replied, "This is the night shift. She is on the day shift."

Little did I realize at that time, 1944, that in 1968 I would return to San Diego, reside in the Navy Guest House and receive therapy and benefit by the excellent services at the Naval Hospital at Balboa. Also it was on that visit that I visited the Naval Training Center, some of the research projects outside of the city and welcomed with Governor Reagan, Commander Bucher and the men from the PUEBLO just in from Korea. I was still on crutches and receiving daily treatments by Commander Georgia McKearly* by and under the supervision of the Superintendent, Admiral Warden.

One evening at the submarine base and a trial run with a submarine which required five hours submerged, I amazed everyone including myself when entering and leaving the submarine through the hatch like all of the men, crutches and all. I often think about this and marvel at how I did it and at the patience and courtesy of those men from the Navy.

***Commander McKearly advanced to Captain and continued her friendship with Senator Smith for many years, eventually coming to Maine for extended stays to serve as chauffeur/companion/caregiver to the Senator. She is an active member of the MCSL Advisory Committee and the Margaret Chase Smith Foundation Board of Directors and has become a dear friend to all associated with the library.**

MCS submerged on the USS Permit in the Pacific, April, 1969, near San Diego

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FELLOWSHIP STUDENTS MIX WORK WITH PLEASURE

The MCS Fellowship students from Northwood University have completed their study and returned to their respective campuses in Florida, Texas, and Michigan. Jack Jones is an accounting major at the Florida campus and wants to be a Certified Public Accountant. "Perhaps politics may be in the future, too," says Jack. One wonders if his study of Margaret Chase Smith may have inspired him to that end!

Fabiola Davalos was born in Mexico and lives with her family in Arlington, Texas, where she attends the Texas campus. Her major in Business Management and Verbatim Systems proved to be most interesting as she completed her two research projects at the MCSL. During lectures, Fabiola recorded and transcribed the entire lecture as it was presented by Dr. Gregory Gallant. In layman terms, verbatim systems is analogous with court reporting but Fabiola may pursue a career in the medical field transcribing for the deaf.

Kelly Grubaugh of Freeland, Michigan, came to Maine from Northwood's main campus in Midland. Kelly is majoring in Business Management and Marketing and hopes to work with a major marketing firm dealing with client image. Perhaps she will some day put her singing talents to good use as well.

Jose Calzada (a.k.a. Chepe) is from San Jose, Costa Rica, and attends the Texas campus where his major is International Business. Chepe loves to travel and enjoys mountain biking. The library staff was pleased to meet his Mom, Nury, who says she understands very little English but certainly managed very well when here in Skowhegan.

Valeria Cabrera of Buenos Aires, Argentina, attends Northwood's Midland campus and majors in International Business and Management. Val is completing the four-year program in three and hopes to someday own her own business and travel. Congratulations are in order for Val who is making plans to marry in 1999.

April Tompkins from Lake George, New York, is majoring in International Business at Northwood's West Palm Beach, Florida, campus and says she loves cats. Apparently so—when she returned from a quick visit to Florida, she had with her 8-week old "ABCDE," (pronounced ABSIDY) a black and white furry kitten!

Not only were the students responsible for completion of two research projects while at the library, scheduled lectures by Dr. Gallant were held as well. Intended to provide historical background in 20th Century U. S. History and context for the historical significance of Margaret Chase Smith's life and career, six lectures dealt with the Red Scare and the Great Depression; World War II; McCarthyism and the Fifties; Kennedy's New Frontier; Johnson's Great Society; and the Nixon Administration and Watergate.

Students visit with Governor Angus King

MCS painting at Maine State House looms proudly above MCS Fellowship students

Hon. Shirley Richard(l) takes students on guided tour of State House where they meet Maine's first woman Speaker of the House, Libby Mitchell (r).

April Tompkins (l) is braced for the cold Maine weather while Jack Jones (r) receives 1853 classroom instruction from "Clara Boothby Howard" at the Norlands Living History

SAN DIEGO

(Overcrowding in port cities during World War II—*taken from MCS Anecdotes*)

It was here where there was so much activity. The hospitals were overflowing, people were coming in by the hundreds and the committee was called upon to do more than hold hearings. We visited the hospitals, the aircraft plants, the shipbuilding yards, the training centers and every conceivable facility. The San Diego climate was most delightful and the people most warm in their welcome. They appeared so grateful that Washington had finally come to realize that the nation was at war and that the west coast needed help. The Admiral in charge of hospitals was from Machias, Maine—Howard B. Kane. He had problems and many of them. One of my subcommittees was medical and health items so he gave me a personally conducted tour. I talked with men who had been horribly injured in the Pacific from the day of Pearl Harbor on, with young women and their infant babies, the over-crowded wards and found that while the facilities were far from adequate, everyone was working hard to do the best possible with what there was, showing appreciation of any interest expressed. The Nuns in one of the large hospitals not only talked with me about the young women in a large city having come from outside, unprotected and inexperienced in the ways of the outside world, and finally the chairman gave these Sisters time at the hearings to tell their story and make their pleas for help. (Cont. on pg. 8)

October 28, 1998

Dear Georgia:

Thank you so very much for sending me a copy of Margaret Chase Smith's Creed. I greatly admire people who are able to express the great truths in life in a few simple words that make life's difficult lessons easy to understand. The hard part is putting them into practice.

The quotes from President Kennedy and President Eisenhower are especially apt during this election year. You can be certain I will be using them both as I travel my home state to urge folks to get out and vote.

I noted Margaret Chase Smith's commitment to meeting with young students. That should be an integral part of anyone's career in public service. We have so many lessons we need to share with our nation's young people about how to be responsible citizens. We must be sure they are taught the duties of citizenship at a very young age.

Thanks again for your letter. I will be giving each member of my staff a copy of Margaret Chase Smith's wise and well chosen words.

Sincerely,

Michael B. Enzi
United States Senator, Wyoming

CREED REACHES U. S. HOUSE & SENATE

In a project spurred by the members of the MCSL Advisory Committee, copies of Senator Smith's **Creed** have been mailed to every member of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate. With the current unrest and concern in our nation's Capitol, it was determined to be an appropriate time to reiterate the thoughts of Margaret Chase Smith with respect to honor, decency, and dedication in public service. Advisory Committee and Margaret Chase Smith Foundation Board member Georgia McKearly graciously authored a cover letter which emphasized the virtues of citizen participation, citing President Kennedy, "the ignorance of one voter in a democracy impairs the security of all," and President Eisenhower, "politics ought to be the part-time profession of every citizen who would protect the rights and privileges of free people." Responses continue to come in from legislators, each expressing their appreciation for words with which to live. **My Creed** is below.

MY CREED

By Margaret Chase Smith

My Creed is that public service must be more than doing a job efficiently and honestly. It must be a complete dedication to the people and to the nation with full recognition that every human being is entitled to courtesy and consideration, that constructive criticism is not only to be expected but sought, that smears are not only to be expected but fought, that honor is to be earned but not bought.

Dedication

Courtesy

Consideration

Honor

Shirley Nutting devotes part of her week to special MCSL projects

5 YEARS OF VOLUNTARY SERVICE TO THE MCSL

Easily accessible and ready to work, Shirley Nutting has generously given of her time each week for the last five years. A long-time neighbor and friend of Senator Smith's, Shirley has worked on many library projects—Washington and You, correspondence files, etc.—and makes herself available during library functions to assist wherever needed. Thanks, Shirley, for your devotion to our needs!

Vice Admiral J. B. Perkins, III

JAMES B. PERKINS IS SPEAKER AT 13TH ANNUAL UNITED STATES LST (Landing Ship Tank) ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

“Boothbay Harbor, ME, youth named to Naval Academy,” — those were the headlines in the Kennebec Journal on May 18, 1960. “Perkins has qualified for admission on the basis of physical and scholastic examinations...an honor student, scoring one of the highest grades of all high school students on the national merit scholar examinations.” Following his career closely, Senator Smith wrote of him in 1961, “he is now in his second year at Annapolis and is the Number One Man in his class of over a thousand—Number One in Conduct and is on the Superintendent's list of distinguished students making very high grades. This is truly a great achievement for Maine because we are judged at the Naval Academy by the Maine boys who are there...the people of Maine are exemplary in their conduct. They make me very proud and reflect honor on my judgment in selecting them for appointment to the Naval Academy.” Since that time, James Blenn Perkins III has distinguished himself in the military, advancing from a cadet to Vice Admiral, Commander, Military Sealift Command in Washington DC.

In September of 1998, neighbors and volunteers at the MCSL, Shirley and Linwood Nutting attended the Memorial Service and Ceremonies in Washington DC at which Admiral Perkins was the featured speaker. In correspondence following that event, Perkins wrote, “I'm extremely proud to be a Mainer (or Maineac) and prouder still to have been associated with Senator Smith! I brag about her—and the major role she played in my life. We have far too few heroes these days—she's one of mine!

Special thanks to Commander Perkins for continuing to make Maine proud of one of its sons and for verifying that Maine's favorite daughter chose wisely in her selection of Naval Academy appointees.

OPEN HOUSE HELD TO THANK LIBRARY SUPPORTERS

The library was pleased to host its annual Open House and Appreciation Day on November 1. From 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., visitors and friends joined with staff members in the enjoyment of refreshments, tours of Senator Smith's residence, and light-hearted conversation. Background music from classical guitarist, Charles Haiss, added a special touch to the afternoon event. Anne Herrin, chairman of this year's annual fund drive, was on hand to visit with library supporters. Watch for the upcoming fund drive letter in your mailbox. It is our hope that readers will be inspired to support the library in its three-fold mission of education, public policy programs, and cultural heritage.

Advisory Committee members Norman Temple (L)

Library Director Greg Gallant & Alan Wyman

Classical guitarist Charles Haiss

Asst. Director David Richards speaks with
former U. S. District Attorney Peter Mills

Blues & Country Western musicians, Byron Pooler & Carl Anton, smile
for the camera

Annual fund chairman, Anne Herrin (Senator Smith's niece),

High school senior and researcher on the life

Greg Gallant and Merton G. Henry enjoy