



Mariposa Academic Boosters Club Agenda
September 15, 2017
12:15 PM
MCHS Counseling Office

Attachment

- I. Call to order
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 - A. Vote on new member(s)
- VI. Open Forum
- VII. Set Next Meeting Date and Time
- VIII. Adjourn



Mariposa Academic Boosters Club
MINUTES
August 12, 2017
10 AM
High Country

Board members present: Jill Harry (chair/secretary); Dave James (vice chair); Kathleen Pfeffer (treasurer); Carol Hart (left at 11), Deb Rockwood, Tara Schiff

Board members absent: Deb Wiebe

Public: Naoko Kada (arrived at 10:30)

10:15

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 10:15 AM.

II. Approval of minutes from June 5 meeting

Carol moved to approve the minutes from the June 5 meeting, Dave seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

III. Governance

A. Review bylaws and mission

The group reviewed ABC's bylaws and mission.

All agreed to pause item III and move to item IV at this point in the discussion.

IV. Annual Budget Overview and Program Discussion/Vote

A. Last year's programs

i. AAUW's Dinner with a Scientist

Last school year, the group agreed to contribute \$800 to AAUW for this event.

ii. Natural Helpers - new funding source

Mariposa County Human Services is taking over funding this program, saving ABC the expense of \$2,640 this school year.

iii. Career Lunches

The estimated cost of this program has decreased to \$1,600 this school year due to the combination of less attendance last year and the suggestion to move to lunch options that will be more popular with students and less expensive than individual bagged lunches. These might include items such as pizza or trays of food from local restaurants.

iv. Academic Achievement Night

We originally thought this expense would be \$300 every two years, but we ordered patches and

bars two years in a row and so will keep in in the budget as an annual expense.

v. Passport to Success - how to revamp to make it work

No students turned in passports to receive \$10 gift cards from local eateries last school year. At our last meeting, we discussed ways to revamp this program to make it less cumbersome for students. Jill discussed the possibility with Celeste of asking teachers/tutors/Penny Long near the end of every quarter how many students they've been seeing/engaging with on a regular basis who would benefit from the encouragement of a gift card and give the teachers/tutors/Penny the gift cards accordingly to give to those students. The gift cards would include a note saying something like, "Great job, keep it up, from ABC." Celeste agrees this is a good plan and suggests we add Jennifer Rider, now College, Community, Career Liaison, to the list of those who receive cards to distribute. She also mentioned that Jennifer can help facilitate this plan. We have 15 cards available from last school year. Once they run out, we can take another look at the budget and discuss whether \$10 gift cards are sufficient or if we want to up the dollar amount.

vi. Community Connections - plan to start by Oct 1

Last school year, ABC approved funding adult partnerships for students in need. Our Anonymous Donor gave specifically for this program. MCHS is working on finding a group of adults to be mentors for students. They could be grandparents, community members, business people, etc. Mentors will get cleared (fingerprinting - \$15 fee). They will be trained by MCHS and Sierra Quest staff (no cost). Sierra Quest does foster family trainings and so is well suited for this. Mentors would also be trained as mandated reporters – what they can hear and respond to versus what they need to report. There would be some coaching on what kind of questions to ask, what kind of things students are interested in, etc. Then adults would be matched with students who need adults – or different adults – in their lives.

ABC agreed to fund one lunch or other outings (\$20) for adult/student (10 groups to start with) per month for twelve months and give them an additional \$15 for something special for the student's birthday.

Costs for 10 adults and 10 students to start with:

fingerprinting = \$150

monthly stipend = \$2,700 for a year

Total= \$2,850 for a year

vii. CA Scholarship Federation field trip

We incurred no cost last year as MCHS received free baseball tickets and Dr. Ritter did not request any reimbursement for transportation costs. We are keeping \$400 in the budget for this in case it is needed this school year.

viii. Teacher/Student Requests

We only had two teacher requests last year - Mr. Starchman and Mrs. Monson. Per Celeste's request, Jill will attend a staff meeting to let teachers know funds are available, how to find the guidelines at any time on our website, and encourage teachers to submit requests.

Last year, the group discussed and approved the procedure for student requests for funds and it is new on our website this school year.

Other expenses discussed:

Jill will remove the AP Testing and Grizzly Boosters lines from the budget since MCHS has found other funding for AP Testing and the Grizzly Boosters donation was one time only. Jill will also remove the Arts Night line from the Expenses column. Instead, the reporting of Arts Night in the Income column will reflect the net amount from the event, ie, income minus expenses. Details of income and expenses will be itemized in a separate spreadsheet as was done last year.

B. Potential new programs

i. UC Merced Lab Tours

Naoko explained that AAUW's Dinner with a Scientist will not include lab tours this year. Naoko says if ABC would like to sponsor lab tours for all students, she would be happy to find professors and grad students (and everyone in between) for the tours. ABC would need to come up with a selection process. It was suggested that we use the form used by AAUW in past years. Naoko agreed this should work. She will need help coordinating this part. Jill believes Jennifer Rider will be able to help with this. We would also need to fund a bus. AAUW uses a very nice, air conditioned Via bus for Dinner with a Scientist since the girls get dressed up for the dinner. The bus is funded by Tavis Corp. Tavis has donated to ABC before when we have had specific requests. It is unknown whether they would be interested in funding a bus for this event given they are already funding a bus for Dinner with a Scientist, but it doesn't hurt to ask. If they do not wish to fund a bus, we could always use a school bus. Naoko believes buses run at a flat rate of \$3/mile and it would cost about \$250.

All agreed we wish to add UC Merced Lab Tours to our list of programs this year. Jill will set up a meeting with herself, Naoko, and Jennifer to discuss how this all might be coordinated and when might be the best time to host the event. More information will be brought to the next meeting.

ii. Personal Best Awards

Jill discussed Personal Best Awards with Celeste. Celeste believes it would be beneficial to have such awards, recognizing students who have personally made significant progress toward their goals and who might not otherwise be recognized. Celeste mentioned that English teachers were the judges in the past. Their goal was always *not* to find the best essay writer, but to focus on the content. If we decide to do this, staff can mention it to students during their first weeks of school as part of their goal setting activities.

Celeste said that cash prizes are always popular, but if we award cash prizes, we will get all levels of students applying. She noted this is a huge generalization and does not fit for all, but generally, if we had a prize like 12 months of cell phone service, that would be extremely meaningful to many of those students who are in the middle and they would be motivated to apply. She said that Ron Henderson has a good connection at Verizon that we could talk to about potential cell service awards. Also, Jennifer Rider has told us previously that FM Wireless has already given MCHS a 3 month subscription to use as a student prize. We could talk to them further about the possibility of getting multiple prizes and for a 12 month period rather than 3 months. If they are not able to gift this entirely, perhaps they would partner with us for a discounted cost that we would pay.

After much discussion, including how rewarding students is incentive to them and also to students in following years, it was decided that ABC would sponsor Personal Best Awards this

school year. Until we have more information, we approved 1 winner per grade level. The prize will depend on what we can arrange with Verizon and/or FM Wireless. This will be investigated and discussed at a future meeting. We are also hoping we can extend it to 2 students per grade level.

iii. Any others? Anything we want/are able to do in light of Detwiler Fire?

Jill will ask Celeste and the counselors if there is anything ABC can do to help students who lost much due to the Detwiler fire. Jill will report back next meeting.

C. Review of admin costs

This year's admin costs are based on last year's actual costs so should be about right. Naoko questioned whether ABC needs its own insurance if ABC does not have any fundraisers offsite of MCHS campus this year. Jill mentioned she believed the insurance protects the board members and the organization in case of lawsuit, though chances of being sued are certainly slim. Jill will check with Celeste regarding ABC coverage under MCHS for events at MCHS. On our next meeting agenda, Jill will include an item re ABC's insurance policy for review, discussion, and vote.

D. Review of annual income sources

Fall - Savoury's, Season of Giving, and Arts Night

Jill said after discussion with Mirriam, the date for this year's event would be November 4. Jill did not yet have a definitive "yes" from Jon-Paul Salonen regarding DJ'ing. Carol brought up the idea of cancelling the event this year. After much discussion, all agreed it would be best to cancel. Jill will start a press release saying thank you to all of our sponsors of this event from previous years and explaining that we are canceling due to being very aware of the losses local businesses faced due to the Detwiler Fire and not wanting to add to their burdens. Instead, we will start our end of year "**Season of Giving**" campaign earlier (September). Tara noted starting the campaign earlier will be helpful also to some locals who wish to donate. We will reach out to donors from elsewhere as well - Bass Lake, Fresno, Madera County, Tara will talk to ABC 30 News, and so on - to see if others outside our community are interested in donating to a **Silent Auction** we will hold in conjunction with **Arts Night**. We can also have the Silent Auction running online on Facebook and our Web Page to maximize pledges. As part of the Season of Giving campaign, we will list our programs and their costs and see if there are any individual of business donors interested in sponsoring some or all of a specific program.

Anonymous Donor(s)

Jill said that after this meeting, she would put together a summary of programs our AD might be interested in, along with their cost, and send this information to our AD. Our AD donates in December but letting the AD know sooner rather than later what kind of programs and costs we have might result in a larger donation this year. Carol noted that she knows of another Anonymous Donor who might be interested in contributing this year as part of the Season of Giving campaign.

SierraTel has been consistent in donating \$2,000 annually for Arts Night and there is no reason to think this year will be any different.

Tara will get the name of her **Aramark** contact to Jill who will share it with Celeste. All high school related requests need to go through Celeste. Kathleen shared that last year Yosemite Win-

ter Club received gift certificates that could be used anywhere rather than event packages. Deb noted that large packets are great, but people also like smaller ticket items such as white water rafting trips.

Deb noted that **Miners Inn** is making donations to local nonprofits. We will investigate this further.

E. Vote on Annual Budget Overview

Tara moved to approve the Annual Budget with the changes noted in the summaries throughout this section. Deb seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

All agreed to move up item VIII to this point in the discussion.

VIII. Meeting Days and Time

A. Decide meeting days and times for 2017 school year

The group discussed the need to recruit a few more members with the goal of having new members observe this year and take on roles opening at the end of this school year (Treasurer, Valedictorian Dinner, maybe others). It was also discussed that to attract new members, we may need to move to evening meetings. However, the current group greatly prefers lunch time meetings. The group went through the list of potential new members, decided to contact them directly about their interest and what their meeting needs would be and, once we have new members identified, change the meeting day/time as necessary, perhaps alternating between day and evening meetings.

The group decided to have the next meeting on Friday, September 15, at 12:15 PM. Jill will check to see if we can meet at the high school. This way, Naoko may still be able to attend even if she is substitute teaching and perhaps Jennifer Rider and interested teachers can join us. Jill will get back to the group on meeting location.

III. Governance continued

B. Discussion and approval of board members for the 2017-2018 school year

Tara moved to approve Jill Harry, Dave James, Kathleen Pfeffer, Carol Hart, Tara Schiff, Deb Rockwood, and Naoko Kada as board members for the 2017-2018 school year. Dave seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Jill said she will check with Trish Gilger and Deb Wiebe if they are interested in being board members and if they can attend the current meeting day/time. If so, Jill will include on the next meeting agenda the item to add them to the board.

C. Discussion and approval of officers for the 2017-2018 school year

Tara moved to approve Jill Harry as Chair/Secretary; Dave James, Vice Chair; and Kathleen Pfeffer as Treasurer. Deb seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

It was mentioned that we need to find someone to shadow Kathleen in the Treasurer role this year and replace her in this role next year. Naoko said that if she can find someone to replace her on the MES PTA, she would be interested in the Treasurer position next year.

D. Discussion and approval of program chairs

Deb moved to approve the following chair positions: Season of Giving Campaign, Jill Harry;

Career Lunches, Tara Schiff; Spring Arts event (Jill Harry); Valedictorian Dinner, Kathleen Pfeffer. Tara seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

V. Other Finance

A. Annual Taxes - update

Kathleen will take care of filing ABC's paperwork.

B. Putting money into savings for greater interest earnings (reminder to do)

Kathleen will move \$10,000 out of checking and into a savings account.

C. Process Now/PayPal

Kathleen will look into how much we have spent on Process Now. She will cancel this service and, depending on how much we have paid for something we have never used, she will request a refund.

VI. PR and General:

A. Freshman Orientation, Aug 10 - flyers and presence

Thanks very much to Carol and Deb Rockwood for representing ABC at our booth during orientation. Last week, MCHS had sent letters to all student families, including a flyer about ABC. The flyer included information about our programs, our website, Facebook page, and e-newsletter. Also, during the first 15 minutes of the Aug 10 Orientation, when all were gathered in the multi, Jill was able to stand up and speak about ABC, highlighting Career Lunches, encouraging freshman to listen to announcements about them and to attend, and encouraging everyone to stop by our booth, say hello, and sign up for the e-newsletter. Nine additional people signed up.

B. Website promotions

Mariposa Community Foundation funded the development of our website last year. Kathy Leonard created it. Jill can update it as necessary. With the upcoming start of the school year, Jill is starting to promote our web page.

C. Magnetic tags for members and t-shirts from Pathos (reminder to do)

Jill will purchase the name tags and look into the cost of t-shirts.

D. Recruiting new members

The group discussed potential new members and plans for reaching out to people directly.

E. Other

Nothing else to report.

VII Upcoming Events

A. Fall Fundraiser at Savory's - Nov 4 - initial planning

Cancelled. Jill will let Mirriam and JP know.

B. Career Lunches

i. New day of the month?

Celeste has said we can have any day as long as we are consistent. The first Wednesday is difficult as it falls too soon after Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Winter Break, and so on. As Career

Lunch chair, Tara would prefer to have them the second Thursday of every month. Jill will let Celeste and Amber know.

ii. Potential speakers

The group went over the list of potential speakers and Tara and others added new ideas including one person who had volunteered at New Student Orientation. Tara plans to make a schedule of speakers and to have some backups in place.

iii. Procedures

The list of procedures was included in the board packet. Speakers typically talk about their path to the career they are in as well as what the career is like now that they are in it. Students frequently have questions about what sort of courses they should focus on in high school and in college.

Tara also plans to reach out to MotherLode and the Chamber of Commerce to see about sponsorship opportunities such as funding drawing prizes for each Career Lunch as an added incentive for students to attend.

iv. First one of the year

The first Career Lunch will be September 15. Kathleen will arrange it and be the point person to help Tara get up to speed on all the steps involved. It was also noted that Tara does not have to be the point person every time after that - we can all share in this task.

IX. Info from Principal Celeste Azevedo

Celeste's new role

In addition to her principal role, Celeste is now acting as Asst Super/Director of Educational Services for grades K-12. Given her added responsibilities, new Vice Principal Mrs. Martin will be including the roles of Instructional Leadership and Student Advocate in her duties, as well as leading School Site Council. She has experience with being a Vice Principal.

Arts Council Grant

The Arts Council has received a grant that funds Executive Director Cara Goger providing 5 day lessons at the high school as well as four Visual Performing Arts-related field trips. They are also planning a Spoken Word Jam for sometime during the school year.

Kahn Academy World Challenge

MCHS will be participating in this program with some number of students committing to PSAT prep work on a weekly basis. MCHS will be paying for all 9th and 10th graders to take the PSAT. The data that comes out of the tests will be used to guide instruction.

MCHS offered **partial scholarships** to 12 students to go to a **college prep camp**. This was in partnership with SierraQuest. The camp was 4 days. What students did at camp - working on filling out college applications, taking mini courses, etc - varied depending on their grade level.

An arrangement is almost finalized with Merced College and MCHS teachers are working on qualifying and applying as adjunct faculty so that MCHS can offer **dual enrollment courses** in which students earn both high school and college credit for qualifying courses. MCHS will be

phasing out AP courses. Only a small percentage of students pass the exams at the end of these courses to earn college credit. With dual enrollment, students who pass the course get college credit for free and the credit applies both to junior colleges and four year schools. The dual enrollment courses will start with English and History. Questions came up about what this might mean for MCHS's valedictorian program. Jill will ask Celeste and report back.

X. Open Forum

No items were discussed.

XI. Adjourn

Tara moved to adjourn at 12:05. Deb seconded. All were in favor and motion carried.

ABC Treasurer's Report for July - 2017 (June-July statements)

Beginning balance 5-31-2017	\$ 20,047.72
Ending balance 7-31-2017	\$ 17,666.60

Total deposits: \$ **9.75**

7/10	9.75	TSYS-credit
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Total withdrawals: \$ **2390.87**

225	307.26	Kathleen- Plaques and Such- bars and letters
226	66.07	Mariposa Shipping- Valedictorian Dinner programs
227	728.18	Savoury's -Valedictorian Dinner
228	400.00	Kathleen- Amazon gift cards Valedictorian Dinner (8 @ \$50)
229	59.26	Deb Rockwood- Flowers
380	300.00	MCHS Yearbook Ad
384	470.40	Kathy Leonard- website and Blu host web maintenance 3 yrs \$375 + \$95.40
6/12	59.70	TSYS-Card Reader

ABC Treasurer's Report for September- 2017

Beginning balance 7-31-2017 \$ **17,666.60**

Ending balance 8-31-2017 \$ **20,137.80**

Total deposits: **\$2500**

8/31 2500 Carol and Steve Hart Donation

Total withdrawals: \$ **28.80**

8/10 28.80 TSYS-Card Reader

Outstanding checks: \$ **49.00**

385 49.00 USPS Season of Giving Postage

386 124.27 Pizza Factory- Sept. Career Lunch

MCHS Academic Boosters Club, Inc. Annual Budget Overview									
Annual Expenses	Historical (annual est.)	2017-2018 expected	2017-2018 YTD actual	Annual Income	Historical or anticipated (annual est.)	2017-2018 anticipated	2017-2018 YTD	Notes	
<i>Events and Requests</i>				<i>Fundraisers</i>					
Dinner with a Scientist (AAUW) \$1200 first	\$600.00	\$800.00		Fall - Savoury's - as much as \$3,900	\$2,980.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Natural Helpers	\$2,640.00	\$0.00		Arts Night	\$2,122.00	\$1,700.00			
Career Lunches (\$2,800 first year)	\$1,400.00	\$1,600.00		Season of Giving Campaign	\$1,680.00	\$1,800.00			
Academic Achievement Night (every 2 or 3 yrs)	\$307.26	\$300.00						\$0.00	
Valedictorian Dinner \$2400 first	\$1,250.00	\$2,400.00							
UC Merced Lab Tours		\$250.00		<i>Donations</i>					
Passport to Success \$160 first year	\$160.00	\$1,000.00		Anonymous*	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00		\$ 7000 / \$9000 past donations	
Community Connections		\$2,700.00		Misc	\$50.00				
California Scholarship Federation \$0 last year	\$400.00	\$400.00		PayPal/Visa donations		\$100.00	\$25.00		
Teacher Requests - as much as \$2,380	\$1,380.00	\$1,500.00		Steve and Carol Hart			\$2,500.00	one time. Wonderful!	
Art's Night	\$1,015.00	\$1,015.00							
Personal Best Awards	0			<i>Corporate Donors</i>					
				Sierra Tel	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00		Arts Night	
Subtotal	\$9,152.26	\$11,965.00	\$0.00	Tavis Corp				up to \$1,000 specific requests	
<i>Administrative Costs</i>				Aramark				3500 from DNC in past years	
Photocopies	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$47.55	Yosemite Bank	\$500.00	\$500.00		Passport to Success	
Special Printings - Banners, flyers, tickets	\$184.00	\$200.00							
Ads - Media outlets, yearbook	\$300.00	\$300.00						\$2,525.00	
Postage, envelopes, office depot, fliers (S of G)	\$300.00	\$300.00							
Subscriptions (domain name, etc)	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00						
Insurance	\$569.00	\$600.00							
Mariposa Chamber of Commerce*	\$100.00	\$100.00						*membership fee	
Fees	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$19.05						
PO Box	\$64.00	\$64.00							
Name badges		\$48.90	\$48.90						
California State- Statement of Information bi-annually	\$20.00	\$20.00							
Subtotal admin. costs	\$1,727.00	\$1,772.90	\$130.50						
<i>Special One Time Costs not covered elsewhere</i>									
Ceiling tiles	\$4,125.00								
Display Case-Dayhoff	\$630.00			<i>Grants</i>					
Digital Marquee	\$2,400.00			Mariposa Comm Foundation	\$436.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Web design and bus cards	
Div C Parks and Rec (?)	\$350.00								
Website creation and updated business cards	\$436.00								
Computer cables, lock boxes, frames for partner certs	\$160.00								
TOTAL Events and Requests and Admin	\$10,879.26	\$13,737.90	\$130.50	TOTAL INCOME	\$13,768.00	\$10,100.00	\$2,525.00		
				<i>Expenses minus income (savings needed to supplement)</i>			<i>\$11,212.90</i>		
				Current savings minus outstanding checks			\$20,088.80		
Auditorium seating fund	\$300			Current savings minus Auditorium seating fund			\$19,788.80		
				<i>Remaining savings</i>			<i>\$8,575.90</i>		

Speaker series suggestion from Trish:

May I suggest that ABC consider a Parent/Student Education Speaker and/or Speaker Series with these dollars. You could use it to seed a speaker series or just have a speaker.

There are various speakers that visit high schools ... here are some that have been out to the school Annabelle is attending:

- William Deresiewicz --- Excellent Sheep: Reframing college as a Time for Self-Discovery
- Barbara Bradley Hagerty: Life Reimagined
- Susan Stiffelman: Raising Confident and Caring Kids
- The Opposite of Worry with Lawrence J Cohen, PhD
- The College Solution with Lynn O'Shaughnessy
- Admission Matters with Sally Springer



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September 2017

Dear Friends,

The MCHS Academic Boosters Club is nonprofit organization with the mission of supplementing and enriching academic experiences and providing updated educational tools for Mariposa County High School (MCHS) students.

Please see the back of this page for a list of what we have planned for the 2017-2018 school year.

In this season of giving, would you consider making a donation to help us continue to provide quality educational enrichment to our local high school students?

Donations are tax deductible!

Your donation is essential in helping ABC achieve our goals. Please consider contributing to the academic success of MCHS students. You can make checks out to "ABC." If you would prefer to donate using a credit card, you can do so at our website: mchsabc.org.

Thanks in advance for your support of public education,

Jill Harry
Board Chair



What is ABC working on this school year?

Natural Helpers - This program trains students to have the skills they need to be better listeners and to help other students find resources based on what they hear. We are pleased that Mariposa County Human Services has been impressed with this program's success and is taking over funding it this school year!

Career Lunches - We are continuing this program of bringing in speakers from a wide variety of fields to talk with students about the paths they took to their careers and what their jobs are like. At the same time, we provide students with lunch from local eating establishments. We have plans for wonderful speakers and, based on feedback, we will be switching up lunches with more pizza and other items in the mix this year. Estimated cost this school year: \$1,600.

Passport to Success - We started this program last year and are revamping it this year for the ease of students. We will be asking teachers and tutors on a quarterly basis how many students have been getting help outside of class time based upon guidelines. We will then give the teachers and tutors \$10 gift cards to hand out directly to the students. The gift cards are to the student's choice of Dabbles, Pizza Factory, Yosemite Treats, or Jantz Bakery. We'll also give the students notes of congratulations and encouragement to keep up the good work. Estimated cost: \$2,000.

Community Connections - This program is all about pairing caring adults with students who could use the positive influence of an adult (or another adult) in their lives. Based on decisions made last year, MCHS is in the process of putting together guidelines, finding adult mentors, and training them. MCHS plans to have 10 mentors matched to 10 students in a pilot program to start by October 1. ABC is funding one outing (lunch or other event) per month, plus additional funds for a small gift on student birthdays. Once the program is up and running successfully, we will work with MCHS on expanding it to more students. Initial cost: \$2,550.

Teacher/Group Requests - Last year, ABC helped fund a field trip to Playhouse Merced, the Academic Decathlon Program, and the Grizzly Band's trip to play at the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor. We look forward to funding more requests that benefit students this school year! Estimated cost: \$1,500.

We also have decided to pursue two new programs:

UC Merced Lab Tours - ABC will make arrangements with UC Merced to take a bus full of students to campus for tours of various labs. This has been a very popular component of AAUW's Dinner with a Scientist (an event for female students) the past few years. With the support of AAUW, we are happy to break out the lab tours from AAUW's dinner event and make the tours into an ABC event open to all students interested in the sciences. Planning is in progress! Estimated cost: \$2,100.

Personal Best Awards - At the beginning of each school year, MCHS staff work with students on setting goals. Given at the end of the year, Personal Best Awards will recognize at least one student in each grade level who has personally made significant progress toward their goals. Details and prizes are in the works. Cost: TBD

2017-2018 Career Lunch Speakers

Month	Speaker	Topic
September	Tony Borreson, Mariposa Airport Manager	Careers in Aviation and Aeronautics
October	Don Costa, Costa Livos Olive Oil	
November	Greg Little, Editor, Mariposa Gazette	
December	Dallin Kimble, Mariposa County CAO	Jobs in public administration
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		

Penny Otwell, Artist - tentative for Jan or March

Past speakers:

Date	Speaker	Topic
5/3	Dondi Lawrence	Merced College opportunities
4/1	Samuel Bolton	Blue Ridge Services - drone demo
3/1	Adam Burns	How to make a living being a musician
2/1/17	Chris Boehm	Careers in Law Enforcement
12/7/16	Erik Westerlund, Park Ranger, Yosemite National Park	Careers in the National Park Service
11/2/16	Miroslava Torres, CSU Stanislaus.	Pathways to teaching careers
10/5/16	Kristen Fournier, RN and Gonzo Tafoya, RN, John C. Fremont Health Care District	Health Professions

5/4/16	Joe Rabon, Vice President of Human Resources, Aramark	Careers in Human Resources
4/6/16	UC Merced students	How to prepare for college
3/2/16	Gara Villalba, Associate Project Scientist, School of Engineering, UC Merced	Multidiscipline careers
2/3/16	Angelina Brouillette, Local Veterinarian	The path to becoming a veterinarian
1/13/16	Steven Bumgardner, Filmmaker	His path to making films
12/2/15	Heather Ream, Cartographer	Careers in Cartography
11/4/15	Percy Whatley, Regional Executive Chef in Yosemite National Park	His path to becoming a chef
10/15	Jeff Laird, Engineer, MCHS graduate	Pathways to becoming an engineer



Dinner with a Scientist Application Form

Are you interested in STEM?

(Science, Technology, Engineering or Math)
Are you a female Mariposa high school student?

Join a scientist for dinner Thursday October 6, 2016

Learn about their area of science
Explore different types of careers

Dinner Program

- Depart from MCHS Campus immediately at end of school day
- Program: informal table conversation between students and scientists with table rotations, and dinner & dessert.
- Location: UC Merced Campus
- Transportation: VIA Charter Bus

Laboratory Tour

- Laboratory Tour participants depart from school at 1pm and tour 2 labs prior to the dinner event
- *Additional School Release signed by parent required.*
- Location: UC Merced Campus
- Transportation: VIA Charter Bus

Student Information (please also complete the back side of this form)

Student Name: _____ Birth date: / / Grade: _____

Student Email: _____

Student Phone Numbers: Home () Cell () _____

You will be notified by **September 22nd** regarding your application status.

Parent Information

Parent Name: _____

Parent Email: _____

Parent Phone Numbers: Home () Cell () _____

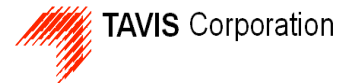
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Parent signature required on page 2 of this application (over).

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION BY Thursday September 8th TO:

Marilyn Saunders, AAUW Mariposa Branch, PO Box 5008-332, Mariposa, CA 95338 or via email at botels22544@mypacks.net You can also find this application online at www.aauwmariposa.com

Questions? Contact Marilyn Saunders 209-559-2355



Student Name _____

Tell us about yourself:

I have previously participated in the Dinner with a Scientist Program.

Areas of Interest: We will have scientists representing different areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Please Check your **top 3 areas** of interest so that we can try to place you with at least one scientist in your field of choice.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics/Statistics | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Science/Paramedics | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology/Computer Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biology | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural/Environmental Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry | <input type="checkbox"/> Crime Scene Investigation | <input type="checkbox"/> Neuroscience/Cognitive Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physics | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology/Sociology/Behavioral | <input type="checkbox"/> Anthropology/Genetics | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Why do these areas interest you? _____

What else should we know about you? _____

Please feel free to attach any additional information.

OPTIONAL LAB TOUR: Do you want to participate in the lab tour? _____ (Please note: Juniors have priority.)
Additional school permission signed by parent is required for lab tour.

Participation and Photography release

I give my permission for my daughter to participate in the program(s) and to have photos taken.

Parent Signature: _____

We take photographs of participating students during the event and students may be featured in media stories or in the AAUW branch newsletter. We do not match pictures with names online.