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## **Spring Scholarship Luncheon Held**

The Alpena Community College Foundation held its annual spring scholarship luncheon on April 20 at the APlex. With 250 individuals in attendance, the event provided scholarship recipients an opportunity to say “thank you” and to discuss their academic and career aspirations with their scholarship donors.

At the event, ACC President Don MacMaster expressed his appreciation to the scholarship donors for their tremendous support for ACC and its students. Sue Fitzpatrick ACC Foundation President shared that during the 2017/2018 academic year the Foundation awarded 380 scholarships which totaled \$213,610.00.

Penny Boldrey Executive Director of the ACC Foundation said, “Most of our students rely on various forms of financial aid. Without scholarship support many worthy and talented students would find access to education impossible.” Since the inception of the ACC Foundation in 1982, ACC students have received \$4.7 million in scholarship support thanks to the immense generosity of its supporters.

Attendees viewed a brief video highlighting student scholarship recipients Sheldon Elkie, Ben Gould, Mary Myers and Mahina Abdullojonova. Jackie Krawczak, ACC alumna and President/CEO of the Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce was the luncheon’s featured speaker. The chamber ensemble of Susan Asher, Cheryl Bates, and MaryAnn Hubbard added to the luncheon festivities.

The ACC Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization which is governed by a volunteer board comprised of 17 community leaders. For more information on how to establish a scholarship fund with the ACC Foundation call (989) 358-7297 or email [boldreyp@alpenacc.edu](mailto:boldreyp@alpenacc.edu).

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