#### Spirit of Sheridan Music Festival

SC alumni, faculty, staff and Sheridan community members raise money for SC music scholarships with the Spirit of Sheridan Music Festival

After a generous match by the Witzel Family Foundation, the Festival raised over \$10,500 for SC music scholarships. It was a great collaborative effort for a very worthy cause. Many thanks to all those who contributed to this great event!



SC alumni, faculty and staff performing at the festival were L to R: Jake Hirschman, Eric Amadasun, Dr Eric Richards, Beck Bridger, Rosborg Halldorsdottir, Ebenezer Eferobor, Max Marquis and Rod Jost with SCF Executive Director Jen Crouse (in front)



Looking Forward, Giving Back

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### 2020-2021 FOUNDATION FACTS!



854 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED



\$1,016,635 GIVEN IN SCHOLARSHIPS



\$1,840,767 SUPPORT For program and department growth and development.

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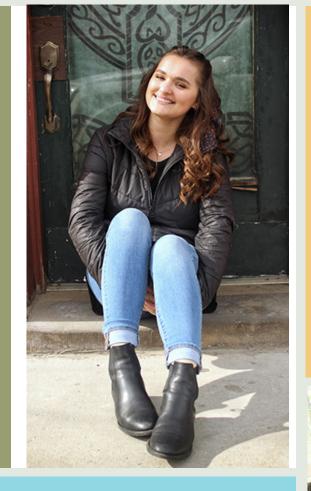
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# Thank You Sheridan College Foundation Donors!!

"I have absolutely loved being a Sheridan
College student. I have found so many great
friends and enjoyed my classes. I even have a
clear, exciting idea of what I want my future
career path to look like. Without the support
from amazing organizations like you, I would
not be able to attend college and receive a
good education like I am right now.
Because of you, my dreams can truly
become reality. Thank you!"
Sincerely, Alyssa Hodge (SC future alum)



#### 2021 Distinguished Alum Allen Thompson '96



"Sheridan College is part of my life. It has always been a part of my life, and always will be, professionally and personally." Sheriff Thompson enlisted in the Army immediately following his high school graduation. After his enlistment concluded, he continued his service in the Montana National Guard. A friend convinced Thompson to attend Sheridan College where he enrolled in the Police Science program, graduating with an AAS and AA in Police Science. He was a member of the Criminal Justice Club and Phi Betta Kappa at Sheridan College, all while serving in the WY National Guard and earning National Soldier of the Year.

In 1998, Thompson was hired by the Sheridan Police Department and attended the Wyoming State Law Enforcement Academy where he graduated with honors, earning the Academic Excellence Award. He worked as a patrol officer for two years before being promoted to Sergeant. In 2006, Thompson joined the Sheridan County Sheriff's Department as a road deputy. He quickly worked his way up the ranks, from deputy to Corporal to Sergeant to Lieutenant, then was named Undersheriff in 2016. The acting Sheriff retired a year later and Thompson was appointed by the County Commissioners to fill his term. He successfully ran for the office of Sheriff in 2018.

Twenty-two years after graduating from Sheridan College, Tompson earned the highest position in law enforcement in Sheridan County. Sheriff Thompson has not forgotten where it all began and has been very active in the Sheridan College community. He has assisted the Police Science program as a guest lecturer and serves on the Sheridan College Criminal Justice Advisory Board.

Sheriff Allen Thompson continues to answer the call: to his Alma Mater, his community and his country. We are proud to have Allen Thompson as our 2021 Distinguished Alum!

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# We Made it! A Year of Resilience... 2020-2021

After the global pandemic forced all classes to go online in March '20 for the rest of the spring semester, and our '20 graduates had to have a virtual celebration, planning began to go back to in-person instruction for the fall semester.

With meticulous health and safety protocols in place, NWCCD was able to offer face-to-face instruction for the fall of '20 when most institutions across the country were not.

While our communities experienced a surge in COVID-19, cases on campus remained relatively low, and we were able to continue in-person instruction for the entire school year of 2020-2021.

Through teamwork, dedication and perseverance, Sheridan College faculty, staff and students were able to overcome all obstacles to make the 2020-2021 school year a resounding success.

As a final reward, the 2021 graduation ceremony was able to proceed with no restrictions!

COVID CASE NUMBERS FOR NWCCD SINCE MARCH 2020:

25 Employees & 112 students

ONLY 14 STUDENT CASES DURING THE SPRING '21 SEMESTER!



Lori Wheeler Byrd '78

2020 Inductee

Sheridan College Athletic Hall of Fame

- Played basketball at SC 1976-1978
- Continued basketball career 2 yrs at No.
   Montana College
- BA in Phys Ed, Recreation & Dance
- Taught & coached basketball & volleyball for 23 yrs at SCSD#2
- Coached SC Generals volleyball from '89-'92
- As a coach, won multiple state and district championships at the middle school & high school level
- Coached WY South All-star team in 2013
- Won volleyball Coach of the Year in '12-'13
- Is currently coaching the Sheridan High School volleyball team