



# The Bell Tower

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## Major Gift Honors Board President and Wife

*MCI received a \$180,000 gift for the Founders Campaign from brothers Ron Antevy and Jon Antevy of Florida in honor of Norbert W. Young Jr. '66 and Christine Young. Mr. Young is the President of MCI's Board of Trustees.*

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Let's set the scene. This is a story of friendship and philanthropy. Two brothers, entrepreneurs with passion to pursue their dream. An executive who supported the brothers' dream for years, and together with his wife, forged a lasting friendship with the brothers. Those same entrepreneurs worked hard and never forgot the people who helped them succeed. That same executive never forgot his own deep MCI roots.

It's a beautiful story of talent, hard work, and a desire to do something for others.

We start at the beginning.

In 1995, Ron Antevy and Jonathan Antevy founded *e-Builder*, a South Florida construction



tech company based on a concept from Jon's master's thesis that focused on researching multimedia and internet applications for the construction industry. His vision was to move practical construction applications onto the web. Soon after graduation, Jon partnered with his brother Ron to found *e-Builder*, a web-based construction management solution.

In the early stages of their young company, **Norbert Young, Jr. '66** was instrumental in assisting the Antevys with finding new clients. While President of McGraw-Hill Construction, Norb convinced the corporation to invest \$5 million in *e-Builder*. Over the years, Ron and

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## Campaign Update

Total contributed as of 3/30/18..... **\$5,706,362**  
Contributed since Reunion 2016..... **1,998,018**  
Amount to raise ..... **793,638**  
Donors ..... **339** (includes faculty and staff)

MCI Trustee participation ..... **100%**

Thanks to our generous donors, **88%** of the \$6.5 million has been raised.

# Matching Grant Update

In December 2017, The Edward E. Ford Foundation offered MCI a \$100,000 matching grant for the Founders Campaign. This is the largest award given by the E.E. Ford Foundation in its Traditional Grants category. The grant will directly support upgrades and major renovations to Founders Hall.

As of April 23, 2018, 20 new donors to MCI's Founders Campaign have made gifts that have been matched by The Edward E. Ford Foundation, contributing a total of \$57,865. We're grateful for their generous support! Please help MCI spread the word about this wonderful match – the next \$42,135 in gifts from new donors to the Campaign will be matched, dollar-for-dollar by the E.E. Ford Foundation.



## Antevy from page one

Jon worked hard to grow their company. This past February, the Antevys sold *e-Builder* for \$500 million. Ron and Jon continue to run the company as President/CEO and Co-Founder, respectively.

Soon after the sale, Ron and Jon reached out to Norb, President of MCI's Board of Trustees, and to Christine with the news of the business being sold. The Antevys offered the Youngs a personal gift of \$180,000 in thanks for all they've done for the brothers over the years.

Norb immediately suggested Ron and Jon make the gift to MCI's Founders Campaign.

"This was the most wonderful surprise," Norb said, explaining how he and Christine learned about the Antevy's gift to MCI's Founders Campaign.

"Christine and I were stunned when Ron called us. We were silent – there were no words for us to express. We both marveled at their generosity and the significance of what this would mean to MCI," Norb said. "Their friendship is a great gift,

but this was so unexpected – we are over-the-moon with gratitude to them both."

Having never visited MCI, both Ron and Jon feel a strong connection to the School thanks to the Youngs. "We are truly pleased to be able to support MCI," Ron said, "and we feel privileged to honor Norb and Christine with our gift. Norb has selflessly dedicated himself to MCI for so long, and Christine loves MCI as much as Norb. Jon and I are so thankful for our friendship with them both."

Jon echoed his brother's sentiment.

"It's extremely fulfilling to know the amount of good that this donation will do," added Jon. "Their devotion to MCI is a beautiful story coming from two beautiful people."

MCI is deeply grateful to Norb and Christine for connecting the Antevy brothers' success to MCI's future, and to Ron and Jon for their generous support of the Founders Campaign.

*Look for the next issue of **The Bell Tower** in the spring issue of **The Alumnus** magazine!*

# WHY I LOVE MCI

"As a junior, I have enjoyed the engaging and rigorous classes offered to me at MCI. My teachers continue to challenge me in the classroom each day, and encourage me to improve my knowledge. MCI provides me with the resources and the opportunity to do all the things my teachers inspire me to do. I love MCI. I hope you do, too! I'm Kendrah, and my goal is medical school."

"I'm a senior at MCI and I love the opportunities I'm given. At MCI, I have the opportunity to meet people from across the world, right at my own high school. Through MCI, I have made friends from all over the globe. Thank you for supporting our school. I'm Abigail, and my goal is marketing and economics."

"Being a three-sport varsity athlete and captain, I am thankful for all the opportunities I have received. This has not only put me in a position to lead, but also show my skills. Thank you for supporting our school. I'm Hayden, and my goal is sports management."

## Coming Soon!

The 2016-2017 MCI Philanthropy report, *Shaping the Future*, will be available on MCI's website and recognizes all donors who contributed to MCI between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017. To receive a notice when the report is posted, email MCI's Advancement Office ([alumni@mci-school.org](mailto:alumni@mci-school.org)).

Producing the report electronically helps save funds that can be directed to helping MCI students achieve their goals. If you do not have access to the internet, please call Sharon at (207) 487-5915 to request a printed copy. The 2017-2018 MCI Philanthropy report for gifts made between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 will be produced this summer.



## The fruits of the Founders Campaign!

MCI's new Visual and Performing Arts Education Center in the JR Cianchette Building is already proving successful with student achievements during its first year on campus. The Jazz Combo "Caravan" won two awards: in February, they won first place at the Berklee High School Jazz Competition in Boston and, in April, they earned a Gold Award at the Maine Music Education Association's State Vocal Jazz Festival in Millinocket. MCI's Vocal Jazz "Equinox" earned a Silver award and awards for outstanding musicianship and individual musicianship honors and commendations.

## Founders Campaign Donor List online

For a current and complete list of Campaign donors, please visit

<http://www.mci-school.org/page.cfm?p=812>





# Scenes around Campus



Shown:  
scenes from the  
2018 Winter  
Carnival, Manson  
Essayists, scene  
from Big Mary,  
skit from Masardis  
Night, and Ella  
Night presenters

