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Shirley Conibear ('68) wants to help more students benefit from a Shimer Great Books education and she is challenging you to help too.



Shimer received more applications from prospective students last year than at any time since the 1970s. Yet, many of those students were unable to enroll for financial reasons. We can't allow this to happen again!

This is where you come in. **If you make a gift between now and January 19, 2010, Shirley will match one of your dollars with two of her own, thus tripling the effect of your gift.** Your contribution will provide critical scholarship support for aspiring Shimerians. The "triple" effect of your gift will turn the wishes of our prospective students into reality. Thanks to your generosity and Shirley's, we can help others benefit from the Shimer education you were fortunate to receive.

A Shimer education is a lifelong journey. Thanks to Shirley's challenge and your generosity, we can help others take the journey.

Alumni Spotlight

Shirley Conibear ('68)



Dr. Shirley Conibear ('68) is the President of Carnow, Conibear & Associates and OMS, Ltd. These two Chicago area companies are leaders in the area of environmental and occupational health concerns. They work in areas such as asbestos and lead abatement, environmental engineering, indoor air quality, occupational safety and occupational medicine. Shirley also serves on the Board of the Elgin Symphony Orchestra and works closely with the Citizens for Conservation in Barrington,

Upcoming Events

Lecture from Todd DuBose

11/6/2009 6:30 PM

Todd DuBose of The Chicago School of Professional Psychology will be giving a lecture on *Existential Psychotherapy: Radical, Anarchic Challenges to 'Best Practices' in Mental Health.*

Lecture from Cevin Soling on the Ik of Uganda

11/8/2009 4:00 PM

On Sunday, November 8th, Shimer welcomes Cevin Soling to campus to speak about the Ik tribe of Uganda who are a topic of one of his forthcoming documentaries.

Endgame: Fall Theatre Production

11/12/2009 8:00 PM

Shimer College Theatre presents Samuel Beckett's *Endgame* directed by Duncan Riddle.

News from Shimer

Shimer Community Shows Off Talents

Shimer community members showed off their talents at the fall Orange Horse.

Coming Home Again, Convocation 2009

Shimer kicks off a new year with alumnus David Koukal ('90) giving the 2009 Convocation keynote.

which works on issues related to grassland protection, restoration and stewardship.

Shirley discovered Shimer after two years at Michigan State. Shirley knew she wanted to study medicine; however, she also decided that she wanted a more well rounded liberal arts education than the University could provide. She discovered Shimer by chance through a former Shimer student, and after visiting, soon transferred. Shirley was especially taken aback by the Natural Science curriculum. Coming from a science background, she was accustomed to thinking of "what we know" in the discipline as black and white fact, but soon discovered that there is much more subtlety and openmindedness required in the sciences than she initially realized. When asked how Shimer helped her career, Shirley says, "Shimer taught me how to think and to question things. I was taught to read, apply, and write. I use these skills on a daily basis." Shirley went on after Shimer to receive her MD and later a Master in Public Health from the University of Chicago.

In her experience, Shirley believes a Shimer education is an especially great benefit to those in "boundary professions" that span more than one discipline. "Shimer prepares one to work with others to solve problems, which I do everyday." In light of her cross-disciplinary perspective and interest, Shirley finds Shimer's new relationship with the Illinois Institute of Technology to be particularly exciting. "I feel this is a great opportunity for those wanting to study the sciences," she says. This passion for Shimer inspired Shirley to join the Shimer College Board of Trustees last year. And now, she is challenging others to step up and help Shimer continue to grow with her offer to match others' contributions.

F.H. Buckley Gives Lecture at Shimer

Shimer College welcomed F.H. Buckley of the George Mason University School of Law to the podium for his lecture on *The Morality of Laughter*.

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Thank you from the students in Humanities I.

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