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West Memphis Quota Club Announces MSCC Scholarship Winner

Mahogany Farmer of West Memphis, who aspires to be a physical therapist, has been awarded the West Memphis Quota Club International Scholarship for the fall semester at Mid-South Community College.

“I was shocked; I was so happy,” Farmer said, recalling how she felt when notified of the award. “I believe receiving this scholarship will help me better my chances of achieving my goal. God is so good. I plan to make the Quota Club proud.”

The Quota Club scholarship provides a \$250 award each fall and spring semester to assist single parents who are pursuing a career in allied health. The award may be used for tuition, fees, and/or textbooks.

“We’re proud of the community college, and providing scholarships helps students and our community,” Quota Club members said after posing for a picture with Farmer on the MSCC campus. “We’re happy that Mahogany is so enthusiastic and determined to help people.”

Farmer, who has a son who will be three years old in September, has been interested in pursuing a healthcare career “since I was a young girl. I chose this particular



field of study because I'm a kind-hearted person. I love to help people as much as possible to make sure their needs are taken care of."

Initially interested in becoming a registered nurse, she changed her mind while watching physical therapists work during the clinical component of her Nursing Assistant class at MSCC. Her immediate goal is to become a physical therapist assistant and pursue additional education and training after that.

"I'm keeping my options open right now," Farmer said. She has earned 35 hours at MSCC and is taking 13 more this semester. After finishing at Mid-South, she will transfer to a regional college or university that offers physical therapy assistant training.

"I am so grateful to receive this scholarship," she said. "My grandmother is helping me pay my expenses from her savings, so this really helps."

The Quota Club, chartered in June 1954, participates in numerous community projects. Demonstrating its "We Share" motto, the club assists individuals who have hearing and speech impairments as well as disadvantaged women and children.

In addition to the MSCC Foundation scholarship, the organization contributes to Families in Transition, EastArk Enterprises, DeltaArts, Steudlein Learning Center, Crittenden Regional Hospital, and several area elementary schools. The Quota Club also works with local Hospice efforts, Hope House, and Relay for Life.

Jane Dalton is chapter president, and Kathy Howell serves as chair of the Scholarship Committee.

To contribute to an existing scholarship at MSCC or to establish a new one, please contact Patti Coleman, MSCC Director of Advancement, at (870) 733-6764 or pdcoleman@midsouthcc.edu.

The Foundation, which administers nearly 60 scholarships, is also offering direct on-line giving through the College's website, www.midsouthcc.edu (click on MSCC Portal, MSCC Foundation, and Give Now).

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