COOPER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP CHALLENGE



Tribute Scholarships

Making a caring gift to a tribute scholarship is a meaningful way to express affection and appreciation—and commemorate how much a person has meant to you and Saint Anselm College.

A tribute scholarship is also a visible way to continue in perpetuity the name and legacy of the individual who has been such an important influence in your life and in the life of the entire Anselmian community.

Continuing a Legacy

The Right Reverend Mark A. Cooper, O.S.B., '71, H.D. '04 has dedicated his life, his vocation, and his career to the well-being of our Anselmian community. Now, it is our time to express our gratitude and respect for all that he has done to sustain and strengthen our Benedictine living and learning community.

The Opportunity

The Cooper Family Scholarship was established to assist students financially in attaining a Saint Anselm education.

All members of the extended Anselmian family are invited to participate by making a gift, in any amount, to this scholarship.

The Challenge

An anonymous pledge to contribute a matching gift of \$100,000 to the Cooper Family Scholarship has been received by the college. The challenge is for you and other Anselmians to donate \$100,000 by June 30.

Please respond as generously as you can when a classmate or your college advancement liaison asks you to support this important effort.

About Abbot Mark

On June 5, 2012, the monks of Saint Anselm Abbey elected Abbot Mark Cooper, O.S.B., as their new abbot. By virtue of his new position, he also became the chancellor of Saint Anselm College.

As the fifth abbot of Saint Anselm Abbey, Abbot Mark serves as the monastic community's religious superior and spiritual leader. He is also the highest-ranking administrator as chancellor of the college.

Prior to his election, Abbot Mark managed the abbey and college's finances for 33 years and was set to retire as the treasurer and vice president of financial affairs.

Abbot Mark professed vows as a member of the Benedictine community at Saint Anselm in 1972 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1976.



He earned his bachelor's degree in political science in 1971 from Saint Anselm College. He earned an M.S.A. in business administration from the University of Notre Dame. Abbot Mark studied at Saint John's Seminary in Boston and Saint Albert's Seminary in Oakland, California.

He taught at Woodside Priory in California in 1975-1976. In 2003, Saint Anselm College bestowed an Alumni Award of Merit to Abbot Mark for his contributions to the growth of the college.

Contact Us:

For more information about how you may contribute to the Cooper Family Scholarship and help <u>meet this challenge before it expires on June 30</u>, please contact Jim Flanagan, senior vice president for college advancement, 603-641-7221, jflanagan@anselm.edu.

Give Now:

Remember, you may make your gift online at any time at **www.anselm.edu/giving**. When you complete the online giving form, chose the designation "other" and then specify "Cooper Family Scholarship" in the fill-in box. Thank you!

