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Sandy Spring Bank Makes \$32,000 Gift Commitment for Macklin Business Institute Scholarships

The Montgomery College Foundation recently received a gift commitment of \$32,000 from Sandy Spring Bank to provide scholarships for students with financial need participating in the Gordon and Marilyn Macklin Business Institute (MBI) honors program. The fund will provide four scholarships during the next two academic years, starting in fall 2010, for MBI students interested in pursuing careers in business-related fields.

The MBI honors program provides a business honors education to Montgomery College's top business students. Founded in 1999, more than 150 students have graduated from the program and transferred to some of the country's top four-year universities, including Columbia University, New York University, Georgetown University, and the University of Maryland.

"Sandy Spring Bank has been a generous supporter of Montgomery College's students," said Dr. Hercules Pinkney, interim president. "This new gift will help strengthen the Macklin Business Institute honors program and ensure that students with financial need and high academic standing can receive an honors business education."

Founded more than 140 years ago, Sandy Spring Bank is one of the oldest banks in Maryland and has a rich history of community support and involvement. The bank is committed

to making the communities it serves a better place to live, work and raise a family.

"Sandy Spring Bank and Montgomery College share a passion for serving our community," said Daniel J. Schrider, president and chief executive officer of Sandy Spring Bank, "The College's Macklin Business Institute Honors Program is educating students who may well be the future business leaders of Montgomery County and the greater Washington, D.C. area. We feel that providing scholarship support is an important investment in our community."

With \$3.6 billion in assets, Sandy Spring Bancorp is the holding company for Sandy Spring Bank and

its principal subsidiaries, Sandy Spring Insurance Corporation, The Equipment Leasing Company and West Financial Services, Inc. Sandy Spring Bancorp is the oldest and largest publicly traded banking company headquartered and operating in Maryland. Sandy Spring is a community banking organization that focuses its lending and other services on businesses and consumers in the local market area. Independent and community-oriented, Sandy Spring Bank was founded in 1868 and offers a broad range of commercial banking, retail banking and trust services through 42 community offices in Anne Arundel, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties in Maryland, and in

Fairfax and Loudoun counties in Virginia. To learn more, please visit www.sandyspringbank.com.

The Montgomery College Foundation and the Macklin Business Institute are very grateful for the generous support of Sandy Spring Bank. For more information, please contact Steve Lang, director of the MBI program, at 240-567-1707 or Rose Garvin Aquilino, director of corporate and foundation relations, at 240-567-4249.

For more information about the Macklin Business Institute at Montgomery College, please visit www.montgomerycollege.edu/macklin.

Scholars Hold Leadership Workshops for Student Senate

MBI freshman, Ashika Jayasekera (standing), leads an exercise with members of the Montgomery College student senate. The students are playing a game called "brick by brick" in which the leader of the team describes a finished structure to team members who have to process the information and attempt to assemble the structure. The goal of the activity is to show how a leader needs to provide clear directions in order for his or her team to work together and achieve success.

