DONOR PROFILE
A FATHER’S LAST WISH LIVES ON FOREVER
JOHN J. FOLEY (MD ’56)

John J. “Jack” Foley lived a long, happy, and productive life—a life that included undergraduate and medical school at Loyola.

Upon his death and in keeping with his wishes, daughters Kathleen and Maureen and son John honored their father’s memory with a gift from their father’s estate to establish the John J. Foley, M.D., Scholarship Fund for deserving medical students at the Stritch School of Medicine.

“Our father was very appreciative of Loyola and everything that it provided him for his future success,” said John of his father.

“We also created this scholarship to foster that love of education and learning that we inherited from our parents,” added Kathleen. “Even at age 87, my father was reading all the time.”

Dr. Foley and his late wife, Eileen, a 1955 Mundelein alumna, met in Chicago when both attended the Lake Shore Campus. He was living in the city with his aunts, Harriet and Florence, and he met Eileen on the bus as they commuted to campus. They were married 57 years.

After medical school, Dr. Foley served as a captain in the air force and went on to complete a general surgery residency at Milwaukee County Hospital. The young couple settled in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin, where he and five fellow residents opened a multispecialty clinic, started the town hospital in 1964, and practiced together until they sold the 235-physician practice in 2008.

“My dad cared for patients both inside and outside the hospital,” John added. “Many of the town’s farmers and its mostly blue-collar workers at the time didn’t have health insurance, so he did house calls.”

Dr. Foley was well aware of the costs of higher education and realized that he never would have been in the position to start a practice if he were in debt.

“He knew that there are some very bright individuals who need financial support for medical school and wanted to make a difference,” said John. “He was an honorable guy and felt that this scholarship was an important legacy to leave.”

May we include you?

Many of our alumni and friends have included Loyola in their wills. We honor those who have done so with membership in the Society of the Shield. Would you like to know more about how you can become a member of this society? Please fill out and return the enclosed card for more information, or to let us know that you have already included Loyola in your plans.

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WHAT CAN I DO TO REDUCE CAPITAL-GAIN TAX?

If you may be taxed on long-term capital gains and wonder what your options are, a charitable planned gift might be right for you. Did you know that you could increase income, reduce income tax, avoid tax on the capital gain, and support Loyola’s mission all at the same time? In this issue, several examples show what this might look like for you.

ALSO
SOCIETY OF THE SHIELD EVENTS
A CHARITABLE GIFT PLAN FOR INVESTORS THAT ACCOMPLISHES FOUR OBJECTIVES

Let’s imagine four couples with varying incomes, each of whom purchased a hundred shares of XYZ company stock for $10,000 in early 2009 and want to sell their shares this year for $30,000—realizing $20,000 of capital gain. What federal capital-gain tax rate would each couple pay? And what would be the tax savings of making a charitable gift to the Ann Ida Gannon Center of Loyola University Chicago with that stock? Could any of the couples possibly accomplish four objectives at once: increase income, reduce income tax, avoid tax on the capital gain, and support the Gannon Center’s mission?

Capital-gain tax: zero.
The first couple, Ruth and Russell, has taxable income of $75,000 and an adjusted gross income of $100,000. They will pay zero tax on the capital gain, because joint filers pay no capital-gain tax if their taxable income is $77,200 or lower.

Capital-gain tax: $3,760.
The second couple, Julie and Carlos, has taxable income of $140,000 and adjusted gross income of $180,000. They will pay $3,760 tax on the capital gain, because joint filers pay $3,760 tax on the capital gain if their taxable income is $77,201 and $479,000, or 15% tax on capital gain applies.

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The third couple, Isaiah and Lori, has taxable income of $500,000 and an adjusted gross income of $550,000. They will pay $180,000 on the capital gain, because joint filers pay $180,000 on the capital gain if their taxable income is $550,000 and a cost basis of $60,000. They contribute it to a charitable remainder unitrust that will pay them 5% of trust assets as revalued each year.

Their initial income will be $10,000—divide the dividends they have been receiving from the bundle of stocks.

A gift that achieves four objectives
Bill and Nancy, the fourth couple in the examples to the left, combine their XYZ stock with other stock; the combination has a market value of $200,000 and a cost basis of $60,000. They contribute it to a charitable remainder unitrust that will pay them 5% of trust assets as revalued each year.

Their initial income will be $10,000—double the dividends they have been receiving from the bundle of stocks.

Based on their ages of 73 and 72, they receive an income-tax charitable deduction of $90,604. At the end of their lives, the trust remainder will be distributed to the Gannon Center and used for the purposes they have designated.

They are able to accomplish all four objectives: increase income, reduce income tax, avoid tax on the capital gain, and support the Gannon Center. (Note: The example does not take into consideration possible additional savings on state income tax.)

For further information about gift plans that avoid taxation of capital gain, please contact the Office of Gift Planning at 312.915.7641 or giftplanning@LUC.edu.

Pay no capital-gain tax with a charitable gift
If each couple were to make a charitable gift of the XYZ stock shares instead of selling them, they would avoid the varying tax on the capital gain. They would also receive a deduction for $30,000, which could reduce their income tax if they itemize deductions on their income taxes.

These examples demonstrate that it is clearly advantageous for donors who will be subject to tax on long-term capital gain (gain in property owned more than one year) to make charitable gifts of appreciated assets. Assuming they itemize deductions, donors realize a double tax benefit—reduction of income tax resulting from the deduction plus elimination of tax on the capital gain.

It is possible that you have stock that you acquired prior to or just after the market declines of 2008–2009, but you hesitate to lose any of the dividends or earning potential of sales proceeds. If that is the case, you could give the stock for a gift such as a charitable remainder trust or gift annuity that would make payments to you for the rest of your life.

A residuary bequest is used to give all—or a portion of—one’s property after all debts, taxes, expenses, and other bequests have been paid. It may augment a general or specific bequest to the Gannon Center, if the size of the estate allows—after ensuring that other beneficiaries receive their bequests prior to distribution.

For example, giving the Gannon Center “the rest of the property that I own at my death” is a residuary bequest. A percentage bequest could be expressed as a portion of an estate or a residuary estate. For example, you might leave the Gannon Center 50 percent of the residuary estate. If fortune changes the size of the estate over the years, this bequest will change in the same proportion.

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Save the date:
Society of the Shield members to join us at one of these upcoming events:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018
Violet: A Musical
12:30 PM, Reception; 2 PM, Curtain
Lake Shore Campus

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19 AND WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21
Fort Myers Tip-Off
6:30 PM EST, Fort Myers, FL

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2018
Joyada 2018
7:30 PM, Lake Shore Campus

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2019
My Manana Comes (play)
12:30 PM, Reception; 2 PM, Curtain
Lake Shore Campus

Invitations and more details about the events will be mailed soon. Please call the Office of Gift Planning with questions.

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