

Biography: William D. "Bill" Thorndike, Jr. **April 2018** 

Bill Thorndike operates his family business, Medford Fabrication, a custom metals fabrication company that has been in operation for 75 years. Mr. Thorndike currently serves on the boards of Southern Oregon University, Oregon Business Council, Regence- Oregon BlueCross Blue Shield, Crater Lake National Park Trust, Southern Oregon Regional Economic Development, Inc., Oregon Economic Forum, Jefferson Regional Health

Alliance, Philanthropy Northwest, and the Northwest Health Foundation. He has served on a number of boards and commissions, including the Port of Portland, Oregon Community Foundation, Asante Health System, Northwest Area Foundation and the Portland Branch of the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank. He is a 1972 graduate of Medford Senior High, and graduated in 1976 from Lewis & Clark College with BS in Business Administration. His honors include the SOLV / Tom McCall Leadership Award and the Glenn Jackson Leadership Award from Willamette University. A third-generation Rogue Valley resident, he resides in rural Jackson County with his wife Angela Littlefield, an equestrian judge.

## Detail

Third generation Rogue Valley resident. Born in Medford, Oregon December 15, 1953.

Married to Angela Littlefield, USA Equestrian
Senior Dressage Judge, British Horse Society Instructor.

#### Education:

Attended Medford Public Schools, graduated 1972.

Attended Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, 1973

Graduated with a Bachelor of Science - Business Administration,
Lewis & Clark College, Portland, Oregon, 1972 - 1976.

Medford/ Jackson County Leadership Class of 1987/88.

Fellow, American Leadership Forum- Oregon Chapter, 1993/94/ Class 8

#### Professional:

Began work for CSC, Inc., family - owned corporation and holding company for Medford Fabrication, 1976. Elected President, 1987, Chairman, 2004.

Medford Fabrication, conducting business since the mid-1940's offers a diverse range of metals fabrication, assembly, installation and finishing services. It operates from facilities in the Medford area with 35 full time employees. It supplies multi-national companies throughout the globe.

# Awards / Recognition:

Exporter of the Year -1990 President's Medal - 1996 Champion Award - 1997 Friend of Education - 1997 Philanthropy Award- 1998 Person of Decade - 2000 Rose Otte Award – 2005

Glenn L. Jackson Leadership

Award – 2006

Tom McCall Leadership

Award - 2006

First Citizen Award -2007 Outstanding Advocate -2009 Imagine Award -2015

#### **Business Involvement:**

Director/ Chair (2006-2008) Member

Director / Chair (2013-2014)

Member

**Local Convener** 

Member

U.S. Small Business Administration - Oregon Southern Oregon University, Ashland Northwest Business Committee for the Arts University of Oregon / College of Education

Pacific Non-Profit Network

Jackson County Community Service Consortium Oregon Alliance of Children's Programs

Willamette University

SOLV

Chamber of Medford / Jackson County Oregon Primary Care Association

Resolve (formerly Mediation Works)

Oregon Business Council, Portland

Regence BlueCross BlueShield of Oregon

**Community Board** 

SOREDI – Regional Economic Development Agency

Oregon Economic Forum Advisory Board Governor's Regional Solution Committee

Jackson County Economic Advisory Committee

# **Community Involvement:**

Member OCF / Southern Oregon Leadership Council
Member Jackson County SMART Advisory Council
Chair Crater Lake National Park Trust

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Director Jefferson Regional Health Alliance

Director Philanthropy Northwest

Director Northwest Health Foundation, Portland, OR

Trustee /Chair Southern Oregon University

### **Organizations:**

Member / Paul Harris Fellow Medford Rogue Rotary Club
Member Arlington Club, Portland

Member Rogue Valley Country Club Member/ Past President ('89) Rogue River Valley University Club

Member / Past President ('84-'89) Jefferson Public Radio Listeners' Guild

# **Past Accomplishments:**

Director / Trustee Member (15)

Director / Chair (12-13) Asante

Director / Chair

Northwest Area Foundation, St. Paul, MN

State Board of Higher Education
Asante – Regional Health System
Pacific Retirement Services, Medford

Commissioner (02-09) Chairman (08-09)

Director/ Vice Chair (02-08)

Director

Member / Chair (2004-2005)

President Chair ('00)

Past Trustee / Chair ('97-'99) Past-President ('95-'96') Past Chair / Member ('90-'95)

Past Trustee ('87-'91)

Co-Chair ('90)

Director

Director ('90-'98)

Director

Emeritus Member Chair ('99-01)

Trustee / Past President ('91-'93)

Director

Board Member / Chair ('95-'96)

Chair

Director

Chair

Director ('93-'04) /Chair ('02-'04)

Member

Member

Member Member

Trustee ('01-10')

Director Chair Port of Portland, Portland, Oregon Oregon Health Fund Board

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

Portland Branch

Employers for Education Excellence (E3)

Oregon Business Plan Steering Committee

Rogue Valley Manor Community Services Governor's Quality Education Commission

Rogue Valley Medical Center Foundation

The Chamber of Medford / Jackson County

Jackson County Budget Committee Carpenter Foundation, Medford

Rogue Valley Civic Index Project

Rogue Valley Physicians' Service Associated Oregon Industries, Salem

STARS Foundation, Portland

SMART, Oregon Children's Foundation

Oregon Metals Industry Council, Portland

Southern Oregon University Foundation Oregon Independent College Foundation

SAIF Corporation, Salem

Oregon Cultural Advocacy Coalition

NW Business Committee for the Arts

ODOT Innovative Finance Taskforce
The Oregon Community Foundation

DeBoer Foundation/ OCF Supporting

**RV Workforce Development Council** 

Senate Commission on Educational Excellence

**Oregon Innovation Council** 

The Nature Conservancy of Oregon

The Oregon Idea

ODOT ConnectOregon Final Review Committee