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Golf Classic Fore Scholarships to be held at new location!

The Foundation’s 2004 annual golf outing will be held Monday, June 7 at a new location—beautiful Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon.

Walnut Creek is one of the jewels of Michigan golf, and we will hold one shotgun start at 10:30 a.m. on its 27 holes. This is a change from the past several outings, when two shotgun starts have been the norm.

The cost per golfer is $250 and includes access to the driving range, putting green and locker rooms. Meals include a continental breakfast, lunch at the turn and a banquet dinner following your round.

Complimentary beverages will be available throughout the day. The day will culminate with a live auction following dinner. This year’s auction will feature passes to the 2004 Ryder Cup at Oakland Hills Country Club.

If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, registering for golf, advertising in our sponsor booklet, or donating an item for the live auction, please contact Marge Lynch at 734-462-4400 ext. 5008.

VisTa Gala Celebrates Schoolcraft’s Culinary Program

A black-tie optional gala fundraiser Saturday, April 3 will celebrate the Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts Department’s new home in the VisTaTech Center. Following dinner, patrons can bid on a live-course meal for 50 at the American Harvest Restaurant.

VisTa Gala guests will dine on a wide variety of gourmet delicacies with an international flair as they stroll through the six instructional kitchens. The food will include an assortment of hot and cold appetizers, hot entrées, breads, pastries and desserts. All will be prepared by the award-winning Schoolcraft culinary arts students, under the supervision of Executive and Certified Master Chefs.

The Johnny Trudell Orchestra will provide music for dancing and there will be a drawing for a special gift, courtesy of Don Massey Cadillac.

VisTa Gala tickets are $150 per person, of which $90 is tax deductible. All proceeds will support the Culinary Arts Department and the high caliber of training Schoolcraft students receive. For tickets, call 734-462-4400, ext. 5661.

The Schoolcraft salon team won first place in the American Culinary Federation National Junior Hot Food Competition in July 2003. During the same event, the Knowledge Bowl team won the national title, marking the first time one culinary program swept both prizes. Many of greater Detroit’s finest restaurants employ Schoolcraft graduates.
Campus Gets New Mascot

Schoolcraft College has a new occupant on its Livonia campus—the statue of an ocelot, its team mascot. The ocelot is a gift from Midge Carleton, retired associate dean of science, and her husband, Ladd, of Novi. Carleton also was assistant dean of athletics during her career, is a great fan of Schoolcraft sports teams and wanted a visible symbol of athletics on campus. The Carletons saved money specifically to fund the sculpture. “It’s something I’ve wanted to do for a long time,” the former dean said.

“I want to increase the awareness of the college mascot. Many people aren’t even aware of what our mascot is or what it looks like.”

Carleton chose Waterford sculptor Sharon Sommers to create the piece. Sommers is an animal artist who has produced nationally recognized works and has exhibited in art shows throughout the United States.

The finished piece is about four feet long with the ocelot sitting, but very alert, atop a marble base. The statue is low enough so that children from the Child Care Center can climb upon it. It has typical ocelot spots.

The ocelot is a member of the cat family, and on the endangered list. It lives in jungle forests and brush lands of Mexico and Central and South America, although the animals once lived in the entire southwestern United States. Ocelots have beautiful spotted coats, are nocturnal, and are about twice the size of a house cat, weighing between 25 and 35 pounds as adults.

Valentine Dinner Dance for Lovers of Food and Fun

Lovers of good food, good music and good fellowship celebrated Valentine’s Day the Foundation way, with a splendid dinner and dance on February 14.

For the first time, the event was held in the VisTaTech Center, in the DiPonio Room. Though the venue was new, dancers enjoyed the music of Johnny Trudell, a tradition at Foundation Valentine’s Day dances. Schoolcraft’s Food Services prepared the menu, with a definite flavor of Cupid in the courses.

Attendance was up to 220 and all proceeds are designated for the physical fitness program in Continuing Education Services. Next year’s dinner-dance is scheduled for Saturday, February 12, so mark your calendar now.

College Foundation Partners with Comerica Bank

The Foundation has partnered with Comerica Private Banking and Comerica Charitable Services Group to help identify, plan, manage and achieve personal and philanthropic goals for our donors, their families and the Foundation. In addition to Smith Barney, the Foundation will use the Comerica Charitable Services Group for planned gift counsel and planned gift trust management.

Join Us for a Caribbean Cruise

Next January 29 through February 5, 2005 ditch your snow shovel for a snorkel and join the Schoolcraft College Foundation for a seven-day Carnival cruise to the Eastern Caribbean aboard the Carnival Triumph. Prices start at just $639 per person! $50 of your cruise fare is considered a charitable contribution to the Foundation, which will be matched by $80 per cabin from Carnival. Who knew providing scholarship support to students could be so much fun? Please contact Trish at Livonia Travel, 248-478-5800 for additional information. A small $50 deposit per person will hold your cabin.
Give and You Shall Receive

Yes, that’s the way it works. And with a Schoolcraft College Foundation gift annuity, you not only receive the satisfaction of helping provide scholarship support to students; you also receive annuity payments for the rest of your life.

Example: John and Mary Jones are in their late 70s. They give $10,000 to the Foundation for a two-life gift annuity. Assuming a gift annuity rate of 6.3 percent, they will receive $630 every year for the rest of their lives. Even after one of them dies, the remaining spouse will continue to receive the payments. On top of this, the Joneses will receive a charitable income tax deduction and a substantial portion of their payments will be tax free.

Why does the Schoolcraft College Foundation offer gift annuities? Many of our friends want to give more to the Foundation but live on fixed incomes and cannot afford to donate income-producing assets. With our gift annuity program, they can make a significant gift and still retain lifetime payments. In some cases, they can even increase their annual cash flow.

Example: Wilma Williams is 80 years old and has common stock in a company that pays her a dividend of 2 percent per year. This means that $10,000 worth of stock provides Wilma with a quarterly check of only $50. Wilma can transfer this stock to the Foundation for a charitable gift annuity. Assuming a gift annuity rate of 8 percent, she could receive $200 each quarter or $800 for the year. Her payments are secured by the assets of the Foundation! Fixed payments, income tax deduction for itemizers, potential bypass for capital gains tax, possible reduction of estate taxes—these and other benefits make a Schoolcraft College Foundation gift annuity a prudent option for many of our older friends. In fact, donors often obtain additional annuities as they get older because of the higher payment rates.

There’s something else our gift annuity donors receive: membership in the Henry Rowe Schoolcraft Society. This special group of forward-thinking people are partners with us in planning for the future. Their planned gifts let us know that vital resources are in the pipeline to help the Foundation fulfill its mission to the next generation.

If you would like to learn more about our gift annuity program, please contact our director of development, Jason Valente at 734-462-4501, or via e-mail at jvalente@schoolcraft.edu. We would be pleased to provide you a tailor-made illustration showing you exactly how a gift annuity can work for you.

SCF 2003 Endowment Returns Exceed National Average

Foundation posts record calendar year for gifts. The Foundation fared well in calendar year 2003 thanks to the generosity of its many donors and the prudent fiscal management of the Finance Committee and our fund managers, Fund Evaluation Group and Smith Barney.

Calendar 2003 marked a period of successful fund development. Through the generosity of its many friends, the support of events and the annual campaign, and several significant gifts from long time supporters of the College, the Foundation raised over $800,000.

Also key to the success of the Foundation was a year of impressive gains on our endowment funds, after losses during a troubled economy. SCF’s endowment funds posted positive gains for the first time in two years. SCF’s endowment growth for the fiscal year was 4.4 percent compared with the national average of 3 percent as reported in the January 23, 2004 issue of The Chronicle of Higher Education. Even more impressive is the 12.3 percent increase in the value of the endowment in the first six months of fiscal year 2004.

This achievement highlights the excellence in which the Finance Committee of the Foundation Board of Governors and the Foundation’s fund managers, Fund Evaluation Group and Smith Barney, have managed the finances of the Foundation.

www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation

Foundation Webpage Launched

The Foundation has launched a Webpage to provide up-to-the-minute information on the Foundation and the services it offers. Information related to the Foundation, events, ways to give and planned giving can be found at this site. The address is www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation.
New Scholarship and Memorial Gifts

The Foundation is proud to announce the creation of the Charlotte and Stanley E. Olkowski Scholarship. This scholarship will provide financial support to students pursuing their educational goals at Schoolcraft College in the business program. Students in the business program who have at least a 2.75 GPA and demonstrate financial need are eligible to apply for this award.

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Daughter of Jackie Timte, Finance and Business Services
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VisTaTech Namings Honor Building Donors

The following individuals have been recognized for their generous financial support of Vision, Talent and Technology in the VisTaTech Center.

Donor Room
The Angelo and Margaret DiPonio Foundation

The DiPonio Room, formerly the Multi Room
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The Wilson Room, formerly the South Waterman Conference Room

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The Beson Room, formerly the Pastry Instructional Kitchen
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The Kadish Room, formerly the lobby outside the Innovation Bay

Calendar of Foundation Events

- APRIL 3, 2004 -
  VisTa Gala
  DiPonio Room

- JUNE 7, 2004 -
  Foundation Golf Outing
  Walnut Creek Country Club
  South Lyon, MI